September 26, 1988

The Marquette County Board of Commissioners Finance/Personnel Committee met on Monday, September 26, 1988 at 4:00 p.m. in Courthouse Conference Room #115, Marquette, Michigan.

Chairperson DeFant called the meeting to order, roll call was taken and the following roll recorded: Present: Comm. Arsenault, Comm. Lowe and Comm. DeFant. Absent: None.

It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Arsenault and unanimously carried that the minutes of the Finance/Personnel Committee meeting held on September 12, 1988 be approved.

Chairperson DeFant opened the meeting for public comment, none was forthcoming.

It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Arsenault and unanimously carried that the agenda be approved with the following additions; item 11 be the Washington D.C. Trip regarding the Automated Weather Observation System; and that item 12 be the rescheduling of the Finance/Personnel Committee meeting because of the October 10, 1988 Holiday.

The Committee took under consideration Claims and Accounts. It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that Claims and Accounts for the period September 10, 1988 thru September 22, 1988 in the amount of $380,129.63 be approved and ordered paid.

The Committee took under consideration the biennial advertisement in the County Plat Book. The cost is $700.00 which is returned to the County by the receiving of 32 free plat books. The Marquette County "4-H" contracts with Rockford Map Publisher, Inc. to print the Plat Book, and after expenses receives the profits as a fundraiser. It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the Finance/Personnel Committee recommend the County Board approve the biennial agreement with Rockford Map Publishers for an advertisement in the Plat Book.

The Committee took under consideration a memorandum from Randell E. Girard, Director of Human Resources, regarding the Diversion Program Staff: Contractual vs Regular employment. As a follow-up to the September 12, 1988 Finance/Personnel Committee meeting Randell Girard was requested to investigate the possibility of making Diversion Program Staff members Regular County employees rather than Contractual. At this time the cost of such conversion would be approximately $17,204.00 based on the current 1988 figures. The bulk of the increased costs would be as a result of the County’s current fringe benefit package for two of the Diversion Staff members. The third Diversion Staff member does not work enough hours to qualify for the full benefit package. These positions would have to be posted under the provisions of the current Collective Bargaining Agreement should they be made Regular County employees, and it is very possible the
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current Diversion Program Staff members would be displaced by more Senior Bargaining Unit members. There is also the possibility that Diversion Staff members may not want to be union employees, but would like to be County employees. It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Arsenault and unanimously carried that the Finance/Personnel Committee write Probate Judge Michael Anderegg a letter indicating that sometime in the future the County Board should again consider making the Diversion Program Staff members Regular County employees when it is financially more feasible.

The Committee took under consideration a Water Main Easement Request from the City of Ishpeming. The 30 foot easement for ($1.00) one dollar is necessary for the installation and maintenance of a water main for a temporary water system until the Ishpeming/Negaunee Water Project can be completed. It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the Finance/Personnel Committee recommend the County Board approve the Water Main Easement Request within the City of Ishpeming.

The Committee took under consideration the final agreement between Marquette County and the Economic Development Corporation. The EDC Agreement has been under consideration for the past several weeks and Commissioners DeFant and Seppanen have been meeting with representatives of the EDC to develop the final agreement. It was moved by Comm. Lowe, supported by Comm. Arsenault and unanimously carried that the Finance/Personnel Committee recommend the County Board approve the final agreement between the County and the Economic Development Corporation.

The Committee took under consideration a recommendation from the Committee of the Whole which was generated from the Budget Hearing process to increase the Circuit Court Bailiff position from part-time to full-time for the remainder of 1988, and to re-evaluate the full-time position for 1989 in January. It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the Finance/Personnel Committee recommend the County Board approve the full-time Circuit Court Bailiff position for the remainder of 1988 with the funding of $2,275.32 to be taken from the Contingency fund.

The Committee took under consideration the Washington D.C. Trip by County Representatives to discuss the Automated Weather Observation System (AWOS) with U.S. Senator Carl Levin. Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, recommended that the County appropriate $3,000.00 from Contingency to cover the cost of flights, hotels, and meals for Commissioner DeFant, Charles Hohman, Airport Manager, James Alderton, Airport Committee Chairperson, and a member of the Airport Citizens Advisory Committee. The Finance/Personnel Committee also requested that Administrator Aloia be included in which case the $3,000.00 would not be enough. It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, supported by Comm. Lowe and unanimously carried that the Finance/Personnel Committee recommend the County Board appropriate $4,000.00 from Contingency into the Commissioners Travel line item for the Washington D.C. Trip regarding AWOS.
The next Finance/Personnel Committee meeting is scheduled for October 10, 1988 which is a County Holiday. The Committee therefore rescheduled the October 10, 1988 meeting to October 11, 1988 at 6:45 p.m. in Room 231 of the Henry A. Skewis Annex, just prior to the County Board Annual Meeting for the purpose of reviewing claims and accounts.

Chairperson DeFant opened the meeting for public comment, none was forthcoming.

There being no further business to come before the Committee the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

David J. Roberts
Marquette County Clerk
MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FINANCE/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
Monday, September 26, 1988, 4:00 p.m.
Courthouse Conference Room, Marquette, Michigan

1. ROLL CALL.
2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
   MEETING HELD ON September 12, 1988.
3. PUBLIC COMMENT.
4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.
5. Review of Claims and Accounts.
6. Advertisement in County Plat Book.
7. Memo from Randell Girard, Director, Human Resources,
   regarding Juvenile Diversion Program Staff: Contractual vs
   Regular Employment.
8. Water Main Easement Request - City of Ishpeming.
9. Agreement between Marquette County and the EDC.
10. Recommendation from the Committee of the Whole regarding
    full-time Circuit Court Bailiff position.
11. AWOS System -UW-M O C T r i p
12. Reschedule PIP for Oct 10, 1988
13. PUBLIC COMMENT.
14. ANNOUNCEMENTS.
15. ADJOURNMENT.