March 21, 1989

The Marquette County Board of Commissioners Executive/Intergovernmental Relations Committee met on Tuesday, March 21, 1989 at 5:15 p.m. in Room 231 of the Henry A. Skevis Annex, Marquette, Michigan.

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

It was moved by Comm. Bays, seconded by Comm. Corkin and unanimously carried that the minutes of the February 21, 1989 meeting be approved.

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

It was moved by Comm. Corkin, seconded by Comm. Bays and unanimously carried that the agenda be approved as presented.

The Committee took under consideration the Mutual Aid Agreement for Law Enforcement Agencies in Marquette County presented by Joseph I. Maino, Sheriff. Sheriff Maino explained that the agreement has been reviewed by Civil Counsel, David Payant. Mr. Payant reported there are no problems of liability for Marquette County as a result of the agreement. The agreement requires signatures of representatives of each police agency and each unit of government within Marquette County. Sheriff Maino has signed on behalf of the Marquette County Sheriff's Dept. and is requesting the County Board approve the signature of the County Chairperson. Public Act 236 of 1987 provides for Law Enforcement Agencies to assist and cooperate with each other, and the Risk Management Authority suggests that the police agencies and units of government within the County sign the Mutual Aid Agreement. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, seconded by Comm. Bays and unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County Board approve the signing of the Mutual Aid Agreement for Law Enforcement Agencies in Marquette County by the Chairperson.

The Committee reviewed a communication from Lt. Leonard L. Anthos, Michigan Dept. of State Police, Emergency Management Division, which indicated that Marquette County complies with all the guidelines for emergency plans. Administrator Aloia reported that under Marquette County's Emergency Operations Plan each departmental unit has certain responsibilities. The Chairperson is the Chief Emergency Management Director in time of a major crisis. That happened when Marquette County had flooding several years ago and Chairperson Lowe spent two days in the Emergency Control Room. Administrator Aloia pointed out there is a reason for this. Funds may have to be expended by the County without enough time for the County County Board to review and approve emergency expenditures. Administrator Aloia suggested that if any Commissioner needs a copy of the large thick red manual containing the Emergency Operation Plan, please let him know. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, seconded by Comm. Bays and unanimously carried that the communication be placed on file.
The Committee considered a memo from Gwen Timmons, Chairperson, Marquette County Planning Commission, regarding a reduction in Solid Waste Planning Funds being considered by the Michigan Dept. of Natural Resources. Ron Koshorek, Director, Resource Management/Development Dept., was present and explained that since 1978 approximately $8,000.00 per year in support has been received from the State for use in Solid Waste Planning. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, seconded by Comm. Bays and unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County Board officially oppose the reduction of funding for Solid Waste Planning by the Michigan Dept. of Natural Resources.

The Committee took under consideration a memo from Ron Koshorek, Director, Resource Management/Development Dept., regarding an easement for telephone equipment for the Jacks IGA property. Mr. Koshorek informed the Committee that Michigan Bell needs to place an outdoor cross-connection box on the "Jacks" property to accommodate the telephone service lines for the new office building. They have requested a 10' by 10' easement near the intersection of Third and Spring Street. The Telephone Company needs a significant amount of lead time to prepare for telephone access to the building. It was moved by Comm. Bays, seconded by Comm. Corkin and unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County Board approve of the easement with Michigan Bell Telephone Company for a 10' by 10' parcel on the Jacks IGA Property.

Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, reported to the Committee on a survey sent to the remaining 82 Counties in Michigan regarding policies for using local labor and the use of professional services. The letter was sent February 22, 1989. So far Administrator Aloia has received two copies of policies adopted by countyboards requiring the use of local labor, these were St. Clair and Calhoun County. The Board already had copies of their policies in the informational packet that was provided when the Board adopted the Marquette County Prevailing Wage Resolution. Administrator Aloia has received many responses from counties indicating that they have no policy regarding local labor nor policy regarding contracts for professional services. A letter dated March 14, 1989 from John Wetting, AIA, GBK & B Associates, stated that Marquette County has set a high standard for the process of soliciting professional services. Mr. Aloia distributed a summary of Professional Services/Architectural Engineering bids the County engaged in since the beginning of 1987. The decision to award these bids is based on cost and ability to do the job, however it is an added bonus to be able to work with a local company. The summary indicated that the majority of the projects are awarded to local contractors. The Committee thanked the Administrator for providing the information. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, seconded by Comm. Bays and unanimously carried to place the information on file.
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The Committee took under consideration a letter from Peter E. Getzen, Chairperson, CUPPAC Regional Commission, regarding the construction of a Youth Treatment and Detention Facility to be placed in the Central Upper Peninsula. It was moved by Comm. Bays, seconded by Comm. Corkin and unanimously carried to place the communication on file.

The Committee took under consideration a memo from Ann K. Beaujean, Legislative Coordinator, Michigan Association of Counties, regarding budget reductions for Veteran Administration Hospitals. The budget reductions have forced the Veterans Administration to enact regulations which has caused the discharge of many sick and disabled veterans from VA Hospitals and Nursing Homes. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, seconded by Comm. Bays and unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County Board support the Michigan Association of Counties, Social Services, and Aging Commission resolution that encourages all Michigan and Federal Legislators to take prompt legislative action to alleviate the hardships caused to veterans and their families, and restore needed health care services that have been substantially reduced because of drastically cut Veterans Administration funding.

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
EXECUTIVE/INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE
Tuesday, March 21, 1989, 5:15 p.m.
Room 231, Henry A. Skewis Annex, Marquette, Michigan 49855

1. ROLL CALL.
2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE/IGR COMMITTEE
   MEETING HELD ON February 21, 1989.
3. PUBLIC COMMENT.
4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.
5. Mutual Aid Agreement for Law Enforcement Agency in Marquette
   County.
7. Solid Waste Planning Funds.
8. Easement for Telephone Equipment, Jacks IGA Block.
10. A request from CUPPAD for support of a Youth Detention
    Center.
11. Veteran Administration Hospital Resolution.
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14. PUBLIC COMMENT.
15. ANNOUNCEMENTS.
16. ADJOURNMENT.

NOTE: Executive/IGR Committee Members - Please attend
Finance/Personnel Committee Meeting at 4:45 to discuss
Whetstone Drainage District and Judicial Life Insurance.