May 23, 1989

The Marquette County Board of Commissioners Executive/Intergovernmental Relations Committee met on Tuesday, May 23, 1989 at 5:00 p.m. in Room 231 of the Henry A. Skewis Annex, Marquette, Michigan.

Chairperson DeFant called the meeting to order, roll call was taken and the following roll recorded: Present: Comm. Corkin and Comm. DeFant. Absent and Excused: Comm. Bays.

It was moved by Comm. Corkin, seconded by Comm. DeFant and unanimously carried that the minutes of the April 25, 1989 Executive/IGR Committee meeting be approved.

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

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

The Committee took under consideration a communication from James Kippola, Senior Planner, regarding the County Solid Waste Management Authority Operations Plan. Mr. Kippola was present and reviewed his written comments which are divided into three areas: 1) consistency with current Solid Waste Plan; 2) consistency with proposed Revised County Solid Waste Management Plan; and 3) general comments. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, seconded by Comm. DeFant and unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County Board submit copies of the Staff Comments as presented regarding the County Solid Waste Management Authority Operations Plans to its Director and to the Authority.

The Committee considered a communication from the Marquette County Natural Resources Commission regarding a resolution from Delta County in opposition to all future federal land acquisition except where specific prior invitation has been made by a local unit of government. The Natural Resources Commission suggested the resolution be amended as follows: a) that approval not be left up to any local unit of government, but rather with the jurisdiction of the County so one unit of government may not effectively block the interest of another; and b) that the resolution be sent to all State and Federal Legislators not just the U.P. Legislators. The Natural Resources Commission also requested a copy of a memo from Mr. Bruce Spike, Consulting Forester, and a member of the Natural Resources Commission, be attached to the resolution. Mr. Spike's comments point out that the resolution only addresses the problem of Federal land ownership and its effect on the tax base, however State ownership has a detrimental effect on local taxes, and also the Commercial Forest Act is used by big land owners as a tax dodge. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, seconded by Comm. DeFant and unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County Board adopt the resolution with the suggested amendments by the Natural Resources Commission, and also attach the comments of Bruce Spike to the resolution.
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The Committee considered a memorandum from Randall M. Johnson, M.D., Marquette County Health Department, regarding the Iron County Resolution on House Bill 4016. The Iron County Resolution urges that language be inserted into House Bill 4016 stating "food and water may not be withheld or withdrawn if the intention is to hasten (cause) the patient's death." Dr. Johnson explained he has no difficulties with the philosophy of the statement, however, from a practical point of view it is unclear as to the intended definition of food and water. Many seriously ill people receive intravenous fluid and nutrition (i.e. hyperalimentation). Chairperson DeFant requested that the resolution be tabled until the next Executive/IGR Committee meeting so that Commissioners would have more time to review House Bill 4016. The matter was tabled until the next Executive/IGR meeting on June 13, 1989.

The Committee took under consideration a communication from William L. Morandini, District Director, U.S. Customs Services, requesting that Marquette County join in the celebration of the 200th anniversary of the United States Customs Service by adopting a proclamation designating July 31, 1989 as United States Customs Day in Marquette County. It was moved by Comm. Corkin, seconded by Comm. DeFant and unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County Board adopt the proclamation designating July 31, 1989 as U.S. Customs Day in Marquette County.

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, May 23, 1989, 5:00 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 APRIL 25, 1989.
3. PUBLIC COMMENT.
4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.
5. A communication from James Kippola, Senior Planner,
regarding the County Solid Waste Management Authority
Operations Plan.
6. A communication from Joseph Racine, Chair, Marquette County
Natural Resources Commission regarding Comments on Delta
County Federal Land Resolution.
7. A memorandum from Randall M. Johnson, M.D., Marquette County
Health Department, regarding Iron County Resolution - House
Bill 4016.
8. Proclamation designating July 31, 1989 as United States
Customs Day from William L. Morandini, District Director,
Dept. of the Treasury.

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11. PUBLIC COMMENT.
12. ANNOUNCEMENTS.
13. ADJOURNMENT.

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN MEETING TIME.