The Marquette County Board of Commissioners Executive/IGR Committee met on Monday, November 13, 1989 at 4:00 p.m. in Room 231 of the Henry A. Skewis Annex, Marquette, MI.

Chairperson DeFant called the meeting to order:

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

It was moved by Comm. Bays, seconded by Comm. DeFant and unanimously carried that the agenda be approved with the elimination of item 6), a report from EDC Director, Charles Manto. Mr. Manto was unable to attend.

The Committee took under consideration the Air Access Michigan Program. Comm. DeFant explained that the County Board authorized the funding for a marketing study to be conducted, but had referred detailed wording and conditions back to Committee.

It was moved by Comm. Bays, seconded by Comm. DeFant and unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County Board approve the following recommendation from the Airport Committee:

The feasibility study should develop alternatives that will at a minimum maintain our current frequency and diversity of service, and the study shall address economic impact of these alternatives. In addition, a liaison committee be established to work out the specific issues that will be directed to the consultant by means of a written contract. Those individuals are: Charles Hohman, Airport Manager; Charles Manto, EDC Director; David Svanda, Marquette City Manager; Dennis Aloia, County Administrator; James Suski, NMU; and Darlene Inch, Ishpeming Chamber.

In addition, Jim Alderton, Airport Committee and Geri DeFant, County Board, will serve as liaisons to their respective boards.

At a minimum the consultant will investigate the following areas:

1. Scheduled service to Lansing
2. Addition of hubs
3. Larger aircraft
4. Canadian air service
5. Enhancement to freight market
6. Discussions with current carriers to investigate their role in future air service improvements and air fares (stabilized or reduced)
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The Committee took under consideration letters from Comm. Greg Seppanen and Claire R. Shefferly, Vice-President of Recycle of Marquette, requesting the County to adopt a policy requiring biodegradable or recyclable food containers be used for food served on County property during county-sponsored/county permitted events. Ms. Shefferly and Lucille Scotti, Marquette County Recycling Coordinator, were in attendance and addressed the Committee stressing the importance of the program, gave a resume of present and future problem areas, and presented various products now available which are biodegradable.

James Kippola, Senior Planner, stated there is no staff report available at this time regarding the quantity of products presently being utilized by the County.

It was moved by Comm. Bays, seconded by Comm. DeFant and unanimously carried that Staff be requested to prepare inventory, do product comparisons, and formulate a permanent policy.

The Committee considered a resolution opposing the siting of a low level radioactive waste dump in the Upper Peninsula. In a letter from Comm. Seppanen, he stated that the major problem facing Marquette County, as well as other counties of the U.P., will be the transportation of radioactive waste, and he strongly urges Marquette County to adopt a resolution in opposition of a radioactive waste dump being located in the U.P.

It was moved by Comm. Bays, seconded by Comm. DeFant and unanimously carried that the Executive/IGR Committee recommend the County Board adopt a resolution in opposition to the siting of a low level radioactive waste dump in the Upper Peninsula.

The Committee took under consideration a Proposed Policy regarding Planning and Zoning Assistance to Local Units of Government. A letter from the Marquette County Planning Commission noted the advantages of a County-Wide Planning/Zoning Program, however Michigan Statutes permit Townships and Cities to provide their own zoning needs. Therefore, the Planning Commission has developed a policy which the County Board could include in the policy manual to clarify the County’s position in planning/zoning matters. James Kippola, Senior Planner, was in attendance and outlined the County’s present policy and stressed the need for clarification.

Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, stated that he had reviewed the policy and felt it would benefit all units of government to adopt a County/ Township Planning/Zoning Policy.

It was moved by Comm. Corkin, seconded by Comm. DeFant and unanimously carried that the policy on County/Township Planning and Zoning matters be tabled for further review.
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The Committee considered a request from the Marquette County Tourism Council to appoint one County Board Representative and one County Road Commission Representative to serve on a Marquette County Road & Recreation Map Committee. Comm. Corkin stated that the County Board had already made the appointments.

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,

[Signature]

Margaret A. O’Neill
Deputy County Clerk
ROLL CALL.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES (None).

3. PUBLIC COMMENT.

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

5. Air Access Michigan Program.


7. Recycling Program.


10. Appointment of Map Committee Members for County Road and Recreation Map.

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14. PUBLIC COMMENT.

15. ANNOUNCEMENTS.

16. ADJOURNMENT.