August 22, 1979

The Marquette County Board of Commissioners met as a Committee of the Whole in the Courthouse Annex on August 22, 1979 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson May and roll call was held by the Clerk, Henry A. Skues, with the following roll recorded:


The agenda was approved by the general consensus of the board.

Chairperson May opened the meeting for public comment. There was no unscheduled public comment.

At this time a letter was read from Mr. Joaquin Gomez, Executive Committee member of the United Way of Marquette County, regarding the prohibiting of solicitation of the employees in the Courthouse Building, and of payroll deductions, was read. Mr. Gomez was present accompanied by Mr. Ralph Soffredini and addressed the board. He was surprised to hear that this solicitation for United Way is now prohibited to the Courthouse building employees and that they now longer allow for payroll deductions. They gave a brief explanation of the administration costs etc, in their pleading for funds. There was no further public comment and Chairperson May declared the public comment section closed.

It was moved by Comm. Racine, supported by Comm. Leone to refer this matter to the Personnel Committee. Comm. Anderson said that solicitation prohibited in the courthouse was a county policy and should go to the Executive Committee. There was no support to Comm. Anderson's comment and a vote was then taken on the motion to refer this to the Personnel Committee and to ask Mr. Gomez to meet with them and it passed.

A letter from Governor Milliken, regarding clarification of his recent letter to the board in reference to the Specific Iron Ore Tax issue, was read. Mr. Peter Embrey asked for permission to comment on the Governor's letter and permission was granted by the general consensus of the board. Comm. Anderson asked that the letter be filed with the Specific Tax Implementation committee for future referral.

A notice of a Special Committee meeting regarding Wisconsin Legislation on Reduction and Recycling of Solid Waste, to be held at the State Capitol, Madison, Wisconsin on Wed. Sept. 12, 1979, was read. Comm. Leone asked that this correspondence be referred to the Environment, Lands & Buildings Committee.

The Finance Committee feels that there is a need for program budgeting and wanted the opportunity to discuss its implementation at this Committee of the Whole meeting. Mr. Duane Beard discussed the background on program budgeting so far this year and approximate cost of future program budgeting for coming years.

Mr. Beard said the basic for this year was to report and develop program budgeting in the county, to get the most for county dollars. In order to implement the plan, we need a written program and proof of what was received.

In regard to progress toward objectives/standing committees, the Finance Committee reported, that the fixed millage issue is progressing and they are working on the program budgeting.

Comm. Coombs spoke on the County Board of Institution meeting. He feels there is lack of communication between the Acocks Board and the County Board. Comm. Coombs said that the administrators at Acocks and the county board should meet and discuss building programs, such as are we going to stay in health business and how efficient do we want service? He said Acocks may last only 10 years and estimates for new building is 2½ million dollars (this figure by administration.)
Comm. Anderson and Comm. Farrell reported on the last CETA Consortium meeting. Comm. Anderson said some funds were put out on bids. UPCAP bid for total amount of funds. Intermediate Schools bid for classroom career training and on-the-job training. If bids are awarded to two organizations, it could possibly require two sets of administration costs. $50,000.00 of CETA funds are to be used for structural work experience/on-the-job training.

Comm. Leane reported on the last Road Commission meeting he attended.

Ron Koshorik, Acting Co. Planner and Chairperson May attended the meeting of the Ishpeming Transit Authority and the Marquette Transit Authority. The staff are not in support of the Ad Hoc Committee reports and problem areas may require changes.

Comm. Coombs commented on the trouble with parking areas and would like this referred to the Environment, Lands and Buildings Committee.

Thomas Selka, Attorney for the County in the Madden vs County of Marquette case, reported he put in approximately 119 hours on the case. He stated that recoverable costs are nominal, approx. $100.00.

Chairperson May opened the meeting for public comment. Mr. Peter Emsley addressed the board regarding Accoks and how it came about. He feels that a Health Maintenance Organization would earn its own keep.

There being no further business to come before the board, it was moved by Comm. Coombs, supported by Comm. Farrell and carried that the meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Henry A. Skevis
County Clerk
Committee of the Whole Meeting

Wednesday, August 22, 1979, 7:00 p.m.
Commissioners Room, Courthouse Annex
Marquette, Michigan

1. Meeting called to order.
2. Roll call by the Clerk.
3. Approval of the agenda.
4. Public Comment.
   a. Joaquin Gomez to speak in regard to United Way Funds.
5. a. Communication from Governor Milliken in regard to the
       Specific Tax Issue.
   b. Communication regarding Wisconsin legislation on re-
       cycling of solid waste.
6. Discuss program budgeting.
7. Progress toward objectives/Standing Committee Reports:
   a. Executive Committee
   b. Personnel Committee
   c. Environment, Lands and Buildings Committee
   d. Finance Committee
   e. Intergovernmental Relations Committee
8. Others:
   a. Board of County Institutions
   b. County Planning Commission
   c. County Commission on Aging
   d. County Board of Health
   e. CETA Consortium
   f. Alger-Marquette Community Action Agency Board
   g. CUPPAD Criminal Justice Committee
   h. Region XI area Agency on Aging
   i. RC&D Council
   j. County-wide Property Tax Reform Committee
   k. Central Dispatch Committee
   l. OECD Committee
   m. Marquette/Marquette Twp./Chocolay Twp. Sewage Plant Board
   n. County Solid Resource Recovery Implementation Committee
   o. UPTA
   p. MAC Committees
9. Additional Business
10. Announcements
11. Public Comment
12. Adjournment

[Signatures and signatures]

Andersen  A
Aherman  A
Clark     P
Cronkhite P
Demoll   P
Dickson  P
Hendrick P
Koonsh   P
Larson   P
Lawne    A
Paine    P
Sauter   P
Maye    P