Chairperson May called for reports from the various boards and committees.


Comm. Farrell gave a short report on the Environment, Lands and Buildings meeting and Dr. Martins presentation to that committee regarding proposed housing for the mentally retarded. It was the general consensus of the County Board that housing for mentally retarded should be constructed through private enterprise and not by the county.

Comm. Carlson gave a report on the county finances and asked the County Board to carefully consider what action they plan to take regarding Federal Revenue Sharing Funds in the future. A more detailed report will be given at the May 3, 1978 meeting of the County Board.

Comm. Potvin gave a report on the Intergovernmental Relations Committee and their progress on the animal control problem.

Comm. Racine gave a report on the activities of the Planning Commission in regard to a Zoning Study and the revision of the Overall Comprehensive Plan for the county.

Comm. Anderson gave a report on the activities of the Specific Tax Implementation Committee and advised the County Board that this committee will be holding hearings on the Specific Tax issue in about a month, to get input from the local citizenry.

Comm. Farrell gave a report on the Recreation Conservation and Development Committee meeting and presented the County Board with a copy of the proposed by-laws of the RC&D. It was moved by Comm. Farrell, supported by Comm. Anderson and carried that the proposed by-laws be referred to the Environment, Land and Buildings Committee.

Comm. May gave a report on the activities of the County Wide Property Tax Reform Committee indicating that this committee will make recommendations on their stand on tax reform and receive the results of the questionnaires completed by interested taxpayers. A further report will be given at the May 17, 1978 meeting of the County Board.

Comm. Alderton gave a report on the OEDP meeting and the overall project design program for 1979.

Comm. Carlson gave a report on the Marquette City, Marquette Township, Chocolay Township Sewer Plant Board and advised the County Board that the bids for construction had come in higher than the grant allowed.
Comm. Potvin gave a report on the County Solid Resources Recovery Implementation Committee and presented the County Board with a written copy of the April 21, 1978 meeting proceedings.

Comm. May reported that Marquette County has membership on eight of the ten Michigan Association of Counties Committees and the only committees that the county does not have representation on are the MAC Legislative Committee and the MAC Manpower/Energy Committee.

A communication from Rep. Dominic J. Jacobetti advised the County Board that his legislative committee will hold a public hearing, regarding the aspects of the Iron Ore Mining Industry in Michigan, in Marquette, Michigan at the Ramada Inn on Friday May 5, 1978 at 10:00 a.m. and will continue until all persons who register before 3:00 p.m. on that day, are heard.

Chairperson May opened the meeting for Public Comment, none was forthcoming and the Public Comment section was declared closed.

There being no further business to come before the County Board, it was moved by Comm. Alderton, supported by Comm. Bollero and carried, that the meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry A. Skewis
County Clerk
Committee of the Whole Meeting

Wednesday, April 26, 1978, 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.
5. 7:00 p.m. Members of the Carp River Forge Park Association have been
invited to discuss placing a U.P. museum on the Forge site. Ron Koshorek,
Associate Planner, will be present for the discussion.
6. 8:00 p.m. Shari Myers and Judge Anderegg will attend to discuss the
Juvenile Division.
7. Discuss vacancies on the North Central Regional Advisory Committee.
Information from Duane Beard on the time frame for nominations.
8. Progress of Goals/Standing Committee Reports:
a. Executive Committee.
b. Personnel Committee.
c. Environment, Lands and Buildings Committee. Discuss proposal
submitted to the committee by the Mental Health Center concerning
building M.R. residential facilities.
d. Finance Committee.
e. Intergovernmental Relations Committee.
9. Others:
a. County Board of Institutions.
b. County Commission on Aging.
c. County Planning Commission.
d. County Board of Health.
e. Specific Tax Implementation Committee.
f. GEMA Consortium.
g. Alger-Marquette Community Action Agency Board.
h. GUPPAB Criminal Justice Committee.
i. Region XI Area Agency on Aging.
Verbal report by Pat Farrell on this material.
k. County-wide Property Tax Reform Committee.
l. Central Dispatch Committee.
m. OZIP Committee.

n. Marquette/Marquette Twp./Chocolay Twp. Sewage Plant Board.
o. County Solid Resource Recovery Implementation Committee. Report
submitted by Don Potvin.
p. UPTOA.
q. State Advisory Council on Aging.
r. MAC Committees.
10. Additional Business.
11. Announcements.
12. Public Comment.
April 26, 1978

The Marquette County Board of Commissioners met as a Committee of the Whole on April 26, 1978 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Room of the Courthouse Annex.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Sally May, roll call was held by Clerk, Henry A. Skewis and following roll recorded.


Approval of the agenda was given by the general concensus of the board.

Chairperson May opened the meeting for Public Comment, none was forthcoming and the Public Comment section was declared closed.

Donald Mourand and Frank Mathews, Sr. of the Carp River Forge Association were present to discuss the Carp River Forge Project and the proposed State Museum. It was the general concensus of the Board of Commissioners that turning the 33 acres over to the State History Division for a museum site, was the right thing to do, that some planned recreation area will probably be needed in the area to serve day use recreation purposes, but that budgetary restraints do not allow the use of any county money for this purpose at this time. It was moved by Comm. Alderton, supported by Comm. Farrell and carried that the Environment, Lands and Buildings Committee be instructed to check into the process by which the county could take over the option on the Mall estate property and to clarify the letter from the Cleveland Cliff Iron Co. in particular as to what is meant by their phrase "may be needed to support future mining operations". The investigation should include the possibility of developing a recreational area within the next two years at Carp River Forge Site, the obtaining of the additional Cliff Electric Service land and any recreational funds that may be available. Mr. Mathews and Mr. Mourand left the meeting.

Judge Michael Anderegg of the Probate Court and Shari Meyers, Juvenile Director were present to report to the County Board on the various programs they use to serve the juvenile offender problems in Marquette County. The report explained present programs and anticipated changes in methods of handling juvenile problems in the future. Judge Anderegg and Shari Meyers left the meeting.

A communication from the North Central Regional Activity Committee regarding nominations for that committee membership was read. It was determined that the nominations should be held open until May 3, 1978 and that any commissioner who wished to make nominations should turn them in to Karen Chubb, Executive Secretary.