The Marquette County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Tuesday, May 19, 1992 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 231 of the Henry A. Skewis Annex, Marquette, Michigan.


A Salute to the Flag was given followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Potvin, and unanimously carried that the minutes of the Regular meeting held on May 5, 1992 be approved.

Chairperson Corkin opened the meeting for public comment. James Sodergren, Marquette County Treasurer, spoke regarding Commercial Forest Legislation. He received information at 5:30 p.m. this evening that Senator Don Koivisto was undercut by Senators McManus, Barcia, and Reegmorrer, and the Commercial Forest Act bill was sent out of Committee with a reduction in the landowner payment to 90 cents/acre. Also, the Senate version would give landowners the right to withdraw without penalty. Landowners using the Commercial Forest Act have been receiving a tax break for 50 years, and now when the timber is ready to cut they could withdraw without penalty, no stumpage fees.

Mr. Sodergren has spent many hours and time at County expense to follow CFP legislation. Also, thousands of dollars has been spent by the Michigan Association of County Treasurers through their lobbying firm Bykema & Gossatt, and tomorrow this watered-down version could pass. The legislators in Lansing should know about the devastation that is taking place in our Upper Peninsula forests. The tax should be $1.50 to the landowner, although the County Treasurers were requesting $1.10 an acre.

Mr. Sodergren added that Senator Don Koivisto has worked hard and done what he could to draft a fair and equitable Commercial Forest Act. It is difficult because the majority of the Senators are below the bridge and are subjected to strong lobbying from the timber industry, even through 90% of the commercial forest lands are in the Upper Peninsula. Mr. Sodergren suggested that the County Board do all it can to contact its State Legislators, get the Michigan Association of Counties to support the Upper Peninsula Treasurers, and he will continue to work through the Michigan Association of County Treasurers.

Wes Larson, Negumne Township Supervisor, and part-time Director of the County Townships Association, explained that the Michigan Townships Association is behind the County Treasurers to get new Commercial Forest Legislation. He will fax an MTA resolution to our Legislators in the morning.

Lynn Emerick, 224 Nicolet, Marquette, spoke against the development of the DNR campground on Little Presque Isle. Ms. Emerick contends there has been virtually no official taking of public comment, and no public hearings for twelve years. In 1986 the Little Presque Isle plan went through an A-95 process which the County Board supported by resolution. An April 21, 1992 letter quoted Mike Paluda, DNR Regional Forester, as stating community leaders support this project. Ms. Emerick has requested documentation of support and opposition for the project from the DNR through the Freedom of Information Act. She has learned they have on file only six letters, one postcard, and three phone calls of support, while there are 39 letters, seven phone calls, and 659 postcards opposed to the project. In addition, a petition has been circulated by the local citizens group with 1,500 to 1,700 signatures against.

Ms. Emerick pointed out that the new Director of the Michigan DNR claims he wants to listen to the public and have input on matters concerning our natural resources. She questioned the DNR claim that the public supports the Little Presque Isle project, and also questioned the process used by the DNR for public input.
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Bill Kariainen, 1515 Lincoln, Marquette, member of the U.P. Environmental Coalition, Marquette Chapter, believes the public has been shut out of the process on the development plan for Little Presque Isle. Mr. Kariainen distributed several documents as follows: A position paper "Citizens to Save Little Presque Isle on Whetmore Landing," an essay by Don A. Snitgen entitled "On Behalf of Democracy and Mother Nature," and finally the DNR draft plan for the Implementation of Executive Order 1991 to restructure the DNR.

There being no further public comment, Chairperson Corkin closed this portion of the meeting.

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Angeli, and unanimously carried that the agenda be approved with the following Late Additions: 1la) a RC&D video on the Whetmore Drainage District, and 1lb) a secured detention beds for Juveniles.

Public Hearings

7a) Chairperson Corkin read Section VIII from the County Board Rules of Order regarding Public Hearings on Proposed Amendments to County Zoning Ordinances.

Chairperson Corkin opened the Public Hearing on Rezoning Petition #159-RZ-07, from John Norlin and Mr. & Mrs. Karl Spade, Rock, Michigan, to amend the Marquette County Zoning Ordinance (89-1) Section 302(D) by rezoning a parcel of land on Airport Road (Co. Rd. DG), and a parcel of land on County Road DH from TP-40, Timber Production 40 acres minimum size, to RP-10, Resource Production 10 acres minimum size.

Pat Gruber, Staff Planner, gave the staff report. The current site is zoned TP-40 and consists of three 40 acre parcels all old farmsteads. Since at least 1981 through 1992 the two original structures were not occupied as single family dwellings. Mr. Norlin has acquired his 40 acres by land contract in 1990, and Mr. Spade acquired his 40 acres from his father in 1987. In July 1991, a zoning compliance permit was approved for a recreational structure on the Spade property, which has since been erected. In addition a pond has been created which drains into a tributary of Squaw Creek. Mr. Norlin has been making improvements to the original farmstead on his property without zoning compliance permits or building permits. Land use in the vicinity is Open Space and Timber Production. Ownership patterns are generally tracts of 40 acres or more.

Ms. Gruber presented slides of the area. Staff describes this area as generally unsuitable for septic systems. Also the roads are in poor condition lacking adequate road beds. The north end of Airport Road is a seasonal road established by the Road Commission; however, Ewing Township requested that they be considered year-round because of the occupancy of these properties. Mr. Norlin and Mr. & Mrs. Spade have no further plans to divide their property at this time, even though the proposed zoning district RP-10 would allow for a total of 12 parcels to be created. The Resource Development Department staff recommends that the rezoning request be denied on the basis on inconsistency with the Comprehensive Plan and soil, groundwater, and road conditions. The Comprehensive Plan discourages sprawl and rural expansion.

Norman Holmes, Chairperson of the Planning Commission, was present and reported that the Planning Commission concurred with the Staff recommendation to deny the rezoning request. However they did recommend that Mr. & Mrs. Spade and Mr. Norlin reapply for a zoning amendment under RP-20, then the Planning Commission may give this more favorable consideration. Under RP-20 year-round residents could be approved as a conditional use. The applicants have already reapplied for rezoning to RP-20.

John Norlin, Airport Road, Rock, Michigan, was present and explained that in 1990 he purchased his property and in February of 1992 he found out that his property was zoned TP-40. He would not have purchased the home if he had known it was zoned TP-40. He would be satisfied with RP-20 and a conditional use permit. Mr. Norlin also claimed that only about six people in this area receive the Marquette Newspaper; however, Civil Counsel Payant
pointed out that the law requires that the notice of the public hearing be printed in a newspaper of general circulation from the County in which the land is situated.

Mr. & Mrs. Spade were also present. They contended that their contractors forged the building permit, and Mr. Spade apologized to Pat Gruber for previous unpleasant remarks. The zoning problem is not her fault. He asked the Board to understand their predicament. They built a $80,000.00 home and a $4,000.00 pond on this property, and assumed there was no problem with the zoning which was RP-10 until 1989. The area was rezoned RP-40 when the County adopted its new zoning ordinance; however only one-quarter-of-a-mile away the land is still RP-10.

Commissioners asked questions of Planning Staff and the applicants for the rezoning, and thoroughly discussed the matter.

It was moved by Comm. Potvin, seconded by Comm. Angeli, to rezone to RP-10. A lengthy discussion followed. The motion failed, one aye (Comm. Potvin) and three nays.

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Angeli, and carried on a roll call vote, three ayes to one nay (Comm. Potvin) to deny the rezoning request.

7b) Chairperson Corkin opened the public hearing on Amended Rezoning Request #112-RZ-TX-15. Pat Gruber, Staff Planner, was present and gave the Staff report. In July of 1991 the Planning Commission recommended a number of changes to the County Zoning Ordinance to the County Board. The changes were adopted by the County Board in August of 1991, and the amendment was forwarded to the State. It was denied on the basis of inadequate public notice. In response to that denial Staff has prepared a new legal ad which listed each section and subsection and described the changes in great detail. The amendment was rewritten, assigning a section number to each proposed change. Both staff and the Planning Commission recommend that the zoning amendment be adopted.

Chairperson Corkin opened the hearing to any interested citizen for comment; none was forthcoming. Chairperson Corkin closed the public hearing.

It was moved by Comm. Angeli, seconded by Comm. Seppanen, and unanimously carried that Amended Rezoning Ordinance #112-RZ-TX-15, an amendment to the Marquette County Zoning Ordinance #89-1 adopted on October 3, 1989, providing for a number of language changes to the Zoning Ordinance and providing a section number to each change be adopted as presented.

Privileged Comment

Michael L. Paluda, Regional Forest Manager, Michigan DNR, provided an update on the Little Presque Isle Implementation Plan. Mr. Paluda thanked the County Board for the opportunity to speak and also introduced Mr. Dennis Nezich, Ishpeming DNR Office, Supervisor of the Forest Management Staff, in the Ishpeming/Marquette area. There are approximately 2 million acres of land in the Upper Peninsula that the DNR manages for the purpose of recreation. The DNR acquired the Little Presque Isle/Whetmore Landing area through a land exchange with C.C.I. in 1980. The property consists of 110 acres, with about four miles of frontage along Lake Superior, and was worth about $1-1/2 million in 1980. The DNR hired a consultant to develop the plan, which was approved by the Natural Resources Commission in 1981.

During the five-year period of 1981 through 1986, some work was done on the Little Presque Isle area, including trails, and parking lots. The area was cleaned up, a large gravel pit was closed, large boulders were used to block off roads, and some soil and erosion controls were put into place.

In the beginning of 1986, Mr. Paluda sought support through local units of government to get a A-95 grant. He received letters of support from the County, Cities, CUPPAD, several Townships, and the Marquette Chamber of Commerce. The plan to develop a campground at Little Presque Isle would put Marquette County on the camping tourism map. Most travel trailers go to either the Munising or the Michigamme area, and skip Marquette, Actual construction of the campground began with the drilling of wells in 1990 for
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Whetmore Landing. In May of 1991 the DNR held a media event to show the public what the DNR plans were. In July of 1991 a citizens task force was formed by the DNR for public input, which included Dr. William Robinson, representatives from the Upper Peninsula Environmental Coalition, Citizens to Save Little Presque Isle, North Country Trails, etc. The Task Force met until September of 1991. Their final recommendation included a full drive-in campground at Little Presque Isle with three loops of 27 rustic sites, picnic tables, fire rings, and scattered wells. The fourth loop would be a walk-in area with wooden platforms for the handicapped.

Marquette Township had second thoughts regarding the development, and requested a public hearing which was held in August of 1991, after which the Marquette Township Board again endorsed the plan. What you see here is the final scaled-down plan which was developed in December of 1991. The Harlow Lake Campground area has been deleted. Since December 1991, the plan has been back with the engineers, but not yet out for bids. There is now an archeological survey being done on the property. Mr. Paluda passed out a three-ring binder to each Commissioner and County Staff entitled "Little Presque Isle Recreation Forest Area Region I." Mr. Paluda read for the record a letter contained in that report dated April 27, 1992 as follows:

Frank Opolka - Deputy Director
Michigan Dept. of Natural Resources
Marquette, MI 49855

Mr. Opolka,

On behalf of the Board of Directors of The Lake Superior Chippewa of Marquette, Inc., I am sending this letter of Support to your offices on your future development of Little Presque Isle and the Whetmore Landing area.

We feel that the Development will provide an access and show an area to many people, who at this time have not or could not see this Beautiful Area that Mother Earth has provided for all it's People.

Sincerely,

Glen D. Bressette, Sr.
Secretary/Treasurer
L.S.C.W.I.

Mr. Paluda pointed out that he himself is a resource management professional and deals with the management and protection of our natural resources. Once input has been received from all, it is time to make a decision and to move forward. There were some members on the Citizens Task Force who came with their own agenda and at the very beginning were opposed to any campground being built at Little Presque Isle. The development of the Little Presque Isle campground is not connected with the closing of any other campgrounds. No campground can be closed until the State Forest Recreation Task Force has completed its inventories and makes recommendations to the Natural Resources Commission.

Chairperson Corkin supported the Little Presque Isle Development Plan and expressed his faith in the DNR as to their management of parks. He believes the plan is reasonable.

Comm. Angeli would like to see more camping areas in Marquette County. He believes the DNR is sometimes too protective of our natural resources, and is also confident that they will do a good job managing this area.

Comm. Seppanen believed it would be in the best interest of the DNR and the citizens of Marquette County to hold another hearing so all would be satisfied that public input has been provided for.

Comm. Potvin agreed that another hearing should be held. If economic interest is the last word on this project, then we are in trouble. The Chamber of Commerce does not speak for him. The dumbest and smartest of us must have the opportunity to speak on the issue.
Mr. Paluda pointed out that the NRC will be holding a commission meeting in Escanaba on June 10th and 11th. The last date to get on the agenda for that meeting would be May 21, 1992. Anyone can do so by calling the Natural Resources Commission Secretary, Karen Scott at (517) 373-2352.

Chairperson Corkin thanked Mr. Paluda and Mr. Nezich for coming to the County Board meeting.

Chairperson Corkin declared a five-minute recess.

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Informational Items

It was moved by Comm. Angeli, seconded by Comm. Potvin, and unanimously carried that the following Informational Items be accepted for file: 9a) Circuit Court Activity Report for 1991 from Chief Judge, Edward A. Quinnell; 9b) A memo from James Sodergren, County Treasurer, regarding maintenance balance in the Delinquent Tax Revolving Fund; 9c) Department of Employment Programs Monthly Report for April, 1992; 9d) Letter from Congressman Bob Davis regarding Payment-in-Lieu of Taxes; 9e) A letter with attached information from State Senator Don Koivisto regarding Payment-in-Lieu of Taxes; 9f) Letters from State Senator Don Koivisto acknowledging receipt of the County’s Tobacco Tax Resolution and the letter opposing further State Revenue Sharing Cuts; 9g) Letter from Rep. David Anthony regarding Payment-in-Lieu of Taxes; 9h) Letter from Governor Engler regarding Payment-in-Lieu of Taxes; 9i) Letter from Dennis Nezich, Area Forest Manager, DNR, regarding Sugar Loaf Mountain fire; 9j) Emergency Management Workshop for County Officials, 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, May 27, 1992, Conference Room 8, DeFant Building; and 9k) Invitation from Wisconsin Electric Power Co. to a special dinner celebrating completion of the 80 mile transmission line.

Action Items

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Angeli, and unanimously carried that Action Items 10b), 10c), 10d), 10e), 10f), 10h), 10i), and 10k), be approved as follows:

10b) A Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve the temporary hire of a Unit II Secretary for the Juvenile Division of Probate Court.

10c) A Committee of the Whole recommendation to waive the hiring freeze and allow the Friend of the Court to fill the Case Specialist position in June, any subsequent vacancy that may occur will be considered at that time.

10d) A Committee of the Whole recommendation to waive the hiring freeze to fill the part-time positions for the Sheriff’s Department Marine Safety Division to fulfill the requirements of the FY 1992 Marine Grant Activities.

10e) A Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve the repairs to the Sheriff’s Department Rescue Services Division 1988 Chevrolet Suburban vehicle, at a cost to the County of $1,115.00, and the necessary budget line item transfers as follows:

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESCUE SAFETY FUND BUDGET
Fiscal Year 1992 Amendment No. 30

WHEREAS, budgets were adopted by the County Board on October 8, 1991, to govern the receipts and expenditures of the various County funds for the next fiscal year of the County; and
WHEREAS, as a result of unanticipated changes in revenues and/or needed expenditures, it is necessary to modify the aforesaid budget; and

WHEREAS, such modification will still maintain a balanced budget between revenues and expenditures as required by P.A. 621 of 1978.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the aforesaid budget be hereby modified as follows:

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Motion was made by Comm. Seppanen, Seconded by Comm. Angeli, to adopt the foregoing resolution. Upon roll call vote, the following vote was recorded:

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The Chairperson declared the motion carried and the resolution duly adopted.

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10F) A Committee of the Whole recommendation to close out the Jail Alterations project and pay outstanding architects fees with the necessary budget amendment as follows:

RESOLUTION AMENDING GENERAL FUND BUDGET
Fiscal Year 1992 Amendment No. 29

WHEREAS, budgets were adopted by the County Board on October 8, 1991, to govern the receipts and expenditures of the various County funds for the next fiscal year of the County; and

WHEREAS, as a result of unanticipated changes in revenues and/or needed expenditures, it is necessary to modify the aforesaid budget; and

WHEREAS, such modification will still maintain a balanced budget between revenues and expenditures as required by P.A. 621 of 1978.

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10h) A Committee of the Whole recommendation that the County Board make application for the Perkins Park Shoreline Erosion Project with the Upper Peninsula RC&D Council by doing the following: 1) Send a letter to the Upper Peninsula RC&D Council indicating the County's intent to commit to labor, construction, and installation costs associated with the project, a copy of the letter to be send to Randy Gentz, Chairperson, Marquette County RC&D; and 2) If the Upper Peninsula RC&D Council assistance is approved, make provisions to increase the capital expenditures from the current funding level of $9,735.00 to cover the County's share of the project, estimated at $21,585.00.

10i) A Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve a resolution entitled Clarification of the Board of Health Responsibilities as follows:

** CLARIFICATION OF BOARD OF HEALTH RESPONSIBILITIES **

WHEREAS, under the Public Health Code P.A. 368 of 1978, MCLA 333.1101 et seq., the County may, but is not required to have a County Board of Health; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has elected to continue the Board of Health subject to the provisions of the Public Health Code; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners wishes to continue the rules and procedures which pertain to the appointment of the members of the Board of Health; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners wishes to clarify the role and responsibility of the Board of Health.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners hereby continues the Marquette County Board of Health subject to the following conditions:

1. The Board of Health shall consist of five (5) members.
   (a) One member shall be a doctor of medicine or doctor of osteopathy.
   (b) Both sexes should be represented.

2. The members of the Board of Health shall be appointed by the Marquette County Board of Commissioners pursuant to the Marquette County Appointments procedure.
3. The members of the Board of Health shall serve for three (3) years to be appointed in staggered terms in the same manner as members of other boards and commissions.

4. Members of the Board of Health may serve for consecutive terms so long as other qualifications for membership on the Board are met.

5. It is the duty of the Board of Health to represent the Board of Commissioners in all matters pertaining to the powers and duties of the Health Department as are conferred by law.

6. The Board of Commissioners shall select the Health Office who must possess the qualifications established and approved by the State Health Department and who acts as the administrative officer of the Health Department.

7. The Board of Commissioners shall adopt, revoke, increase, or amend fees for services performed by the Marquette County Health Department.

8. All rules and regulations promulgated by the Board of Health are subject to review and approval or disapproval of a majority vote of the Full Board of Commissioners.

9. As soon as practicable, after the close of the county fiscal year on December 31, the Board of Health shall require the Health Officer to make a report of the work done by the Health Department during the last fiscal year.

10. The members of the Board of Health shall receive such compensation for their services as shall be determined by the Board of Commissioners.

11. Specific responsibilities delegated to the Board of Health, include but are not limited to:

   (a) Establishment of major policies within the specialty of public health (including personnel) as long as these policies do not conflict with those established by the Board of Commissioners for county government as a whole. Proposed policies in a new area where county policy does not exist and which might reasonably be expected to affect the county as a whole must be approved by the County Board of Commissioners.

   (b) Adoption of a balanced annual Health Department budget incorporating all revenue sources including the annual appropriation from the county.

   (c) Amendments to the annual budget, as necessary, provided such amendment does not require an additional county appropriation and provided the budget remains balanced. Any amendment requiring county match from existing Health appropriations of $10,000 or more for a new program must be approved by the Marquette County Board of Commissioners. All amendments shall be immediately provided to the County Administrator and County Finance Manager after adoption.

On August 1 and December 1 of each year, the Health Department will provide semi-annual updates of all amendments to be adopted by the Marquette County Board of Commissioners to keep the budget balanced as required by auditors.

(d) All new full-time and part-time positions must be approved by the Marquette County Board of Commissioners unless the positions are grant funded and the Board of Commissioners has already authorized the position(s) by approving submission of the grant application in conformance with County Financial Policy 228 Grant.
Authorization/Appropriations. All vacancies can be filled by the 
Health Department. The Health Department will be subject to any 
and all county moratoriums on personnel, such as job freezes, 
layoffs, etc.

(e) Approval of contracts and contract amendments provided that such 
contracts do not involve real estate or multi-year commitments, 
and provided that county-wide policies regarding purchasing and 
capital expenditures are adhered to.

12. All resolutions previously adopted by the Board of Commissioners which 
are inconsistent with this resolution are hereby repealed.

GERALD O. CORKIN, CHAIRPERSON
MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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10k) The County Board placed in nomination the following list of 
applicants for various mid-year vacancies. Final appointment will be made 
at the June 16, 1992 Board meeting.

Alger-Marquette Community Mental Health
One vacancy expiring 12/31/93

Brian Alsobrooks - Marquette
Billy P. Blodgett - Marquette
William C. Niepoth - Marquette
Mary E. Nigro - Ishpeming
Orajane Saari - Republic Township
Donald A. Simila - Negaunee

Commission on Aging
One vacancy in Senior Category expiring 12/31/92 - No applicants.

One vacancy in Public Official Category expiring 12/31/92

William Dompierre, City of Negaunee

Community Corrections Advisory Board
One vacancy in Communications Media Category expiring 12/31/92

David Kalinich - Marquette
Julie Murray - Marquette

Solid Waste Planning
One vacancy expiring 12/31/92

Kenneth Olson - Ishpeming City

Nomination still forthcoming from Negaunee City & Marquette City.

Solid Waste Management Authority
Regular three year term expiring July 1995

Dawson Carrier - Champion Township (Incumbent)
Keith Robert Doney - Negaunee Township
Leonard R. Parker - Marquette
Steven L. Pence - Marquette
Donald A. Simila - Negaunee

Marquette County EDC
Three vacancies expiring 12/31/97

Forestry Category
Kenneth Salo - Republic Township
Marquette County EDC - Cont'd.

Mining Category
Keith Robert Doney - Negaunee Township
Allan E. Koski - Negaunee Township
Nino A. Mascoli - Marquette

Tourism Category
Gregory J. Hokans - Marquette

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Action Items Cont'd.

10a) The County Board considered a request from Patricia A. Manley, Register of Deeds, for additional staff. Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, distributed a memorandum with his recommendations summarized as follows: Administrator Aloia strongly recommends against allowing the hiring of part-time positions while regular employees are on vacation, as it will set a significant precedent. The responsibility of managing a department is to ensure that staffing remains at a level to allow for the functionality of that office. Mr. Aloia believes that part of the major increase in workload is the result of the numerous mortgage refinancings that are currently taking place. He has discussed the situation with members of the banking community and anticipates this will continue through the summer and into the fall, but it will then taper off.

Mr. Aloia believes that the County Board can assist the Register of Deeds Office by utilizing Jan Trujillo, Tax Administration Clerk, part-time over the course of the next several months through September. Mr. Aloia has discussed the matter with James Sodergren, County Treasurer, and Jacki Lykins, Tax Administration Specialist, to see whether or not Janet would be free during this interim time. While Janet has commitments for one week in May and two weeks in June, as well as vacation time approved for two weeks in July, the remainder of July, August, and September appear to be relatively open. Both Jacki Lykins and James Sodergren have indicated a willingness to allow Janet to assist the Register of Deeds on a regular basis throughout these months.

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Angeli, and unanimously carried that the County Board approve of the Administrator's recommendations to assist the Register of Deeds by utilizing Jan Trujillo on a temporary basis for the next several months through September.

10g) The County Board considered a Committee of the Whole recommendation to take necessary steps to barricade and close Sugar Loaf Mountain until it has been repaired. Administrator, Dennis Aloia, reported to the County Board that staff is in the process of negotiating with the insurance company. It appears that they will provide coverage for a share of the damage, but a verbal agreement has not yet been reached. Ron Koshorek, Resource Management Director, will walk the site with the insurance adjuster to determine the cost. Many damaged trees must be cut down. The entrance has been barricaded and labeled closed, and staff intends to provide a public press release.

David Payant, Civil Counsel, indicated that all we can do is to barricade and post the area and provide public notice. We cannot completely stop people from getting in. The Administrator has requested that the Sheriff check on Sugar Loaf on a regular basis.

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Potvin, and unanimously carried that the recommendation be approved.

10j) The County Board considered a recommendation from the Committee of the Whole to support with an appropriation of $1,000.00 from Contingency, the Great Lakes State Games in Marquette County on June 19, 20, and 21st, with the following stipulation: Should the games not take place the $1,000.00 be returned to Marquette County.
Comm. Seppanen felt that such a request should be approved through the regular budget process; however, in this particular case an exception could be made because the Houghton site for the games collapsed, and Marquette is now taking them on.

Comm. Potvin pointed out that while it is true that the Great Lakes State Games provide a economic boost to Marquette County, the real winners are the restaurants, hotels, gas stations, bars, and shopping centers. Perhaps a little more effort should be put forth by the committee organizing these games to get financial support from those who benefit the most.

It was moved by Comm. Angeli, seconded by Comm. Potvin, and unanimously carried that the County sponsor the Great Lakes State Games with a $1,000.00 appropriation, budget amendment as follows:

RESOLUTION AMENDING GENERAL FUND BUDGET
Fiscal Year 1992 Amendment No. 28

WHEREAS, budgets were adopted by the County Board on October 8, 1991, to govern the receipts and expenditures of the various County funds for the next fiscal year of the County; and

WHEREAS, as a result of unanticipated changes in revenues and/or needed expenditures, it is necessary to modify the aforesaid budget; and

WHEREAS, such modification will still maintain a balanced budget between revenues and expenditures as required by P.A. 621 of 1978.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the aforesaid budget be hereby modified as follows:

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Motion was made by Comm. Angeli, seconded by Comm. Potvin, to adopt the foregoing resolution. Upon roll call vote, the following vote was recorded:

Aye | Nay
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L. Angeli | X
P. Arsenault | Absent
D. Potvin | X
G. Seppanen | X
G. Corkin | X

The Chairperson declared the motion carried and the resolution duly adopted.

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Late Additions

11a) Mike LaPoint, District Conservationist with the RC&D, presented a video on the Whetstone Creek Drainage District. The video was developed as a by-product of a study done by Rick Pearson, who received a grant and chose the Whetstone Drainage District as a study subject.

The Commissioners viewed the video and then asked questions. Mr. LaPoint indicated there is definitely a drainage problem in the Whetstone Creek District. It may be possible to do a project without a drainage district if financing was available. Two major points that Rick Pearson pointed to in his study were first; they must identify non-points of pollution and off-site erosion areas to stabilize these, and second, more retention sites are needed upstream for storm water management. The slower the storm water is allowed to run through the Whetstone Creek area, the less damage it will have on the environment.

Both Mr. Pearson and Mr. LaPoint felt that Drain Commissioner Sundberg and his consultants are very knowledgeable. They have been in contact with Mr. Sundberg and believe he will be incorporating many of the ideas presented in this video into the drainage district.

11b) Comm. Potvin reported that he attended a Criminal Justice meeting in Escanaba, and learned that the Juvenile offices throughout Upper Peninsula counties have trouble finding a home for problem youth after 9:00 a.m. in the morning. There is no central booking system, so counties would have to call all over the State to find an opening to place a youth. Comm. Potvin felt this situation to be intolerable and spoke out against it. As a result Judge Anderegg contacted Dr. Gerald Miller in Lansing and there seems to be movement to try and solve the problem and develop a better booking system.

Chairperson Corkin opened the meeting for public comment. James Russell Parks, Chairperson of the Marquette County Local Emergency Planning Commission, reminded Commissioners of the Emergency Management Workshop for County Officials, to be held at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 27, 1992, in Conference Room B of the Geraldine DeFant Building. There being no further public comment, Chairperson Corkin closed this portion of the meeting.

Announcements

Chairperson Corkin reminded Commissioners of the May 20, 1992 Wisconsin Electric Dinner at the Northwoods, and also the Kellogg Foundation reception at the Ramada Inn.

Also, Chairperson Corkin attended the Open House of the Marquette General Hospital new building. It is a beautiful building and will be of great service to the Upper Peninsula. Marquette General Hospital now has 1,800 employees.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

David J. Roberts
Marquette County Clerk
MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting, Tuesday, May 19, 1992, 7:00 p.m.
Room 231, Henry A. Skewis Annex
Marquette, Michigan 49855

1. ROLL CALL.
2. SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR
   MEETING HELD ON May 5, 1992.
4. PROCLAMATIONS, PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS.
5. PUBLIC COMMENT. (time limit 20 minutes total)
6. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.
7. PUBLIC HEARINGS:
   a. Rezoning request #159-RZ-EW-07, John Norlin and Mr. & Mrs. Karl
      Spade, Rock, Michigan.
   b. Rezoning request #112-RZ-TX-15, various amendments and
      housekeeping matters to the County Zoning Ordinance adopted
      10-3-89.
8. PRIVILEGED COMMENT:
   a. Michael L. Paluda, Regional Forest Manager, DNR, on the Little
      Presque Isle area.
9. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:
   a. Circuit Court Activity Report for 1991 from Chief Judge, Edward
      A. Quinnell.
   b. A memo from James Sodergren, County Treasurer, regarding
      maintenance balance in the Delinquent Tax Revolving Fund.
   d. Letter from Congressman Bob Davis regarding Payment-in-Lieu of
      Taxes.
   e. A letter with attached information from State Senator Don
      Koivisto regarding Payment-in-Lieu of Taxes.
   f. Letters from State Senator Don Koivisto acknowledging receipt of
      the County's Tobacco Tax Resolution and the letter opposing
      further State Revenue Sharing Cuts.
   g. Letter from Rep. David Anthony regarding Payment-in-Lieu of
      Taxes.
   h. Letter from Governor Engler regarding Payment-in-Lieu of Taxes.
   i. Letter from Dennis Nezich, Area Forest Manager, DNR, regarding
      Sugar Loaf Mountain fire.
   j. Emergency Management Workshop for County Officials, 9:00 a.m.
      Wednesday, May 27, 1992, Conference Room B, DeFant Building.
   k. Invitation from Wisconsin Electric Power Co. for a special dinner
      celebrating completion of the 80 mile transmission line.
10. ACTION ITEMS:
    a. Request from Patricia A. Manley, Register of Deeds, requesting
       additional staff.
    b. Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve temporary hire
       of a Unit Secretary II position for the Juvenile Division.
    c. Committee of the Whole recommendation to waive the hiring freeze
       to allow the Friend of the Court to fill the Case Specialist
       position.
10. ACTION ITEMS: Cont'd.
   d. Committee of the Whole recommendation to waive the hiring freeze to fill part-time Summer positions in the Sheriff's Department Marine Safety Division.
   e. Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve repairs to the 1988 Chevrolet Suburban vehicle for the Sheriff’s Rescue Services Division.
   f. Committee of the Whole recommendation to close out the Jail Alterations Project and pay the outstanding architect’s fees.
   g. Committee of the Whole recommendation to close and barricade Sugar Loaf Mountain until the fire damages are repaired.
   h. Committee of the Whole recommendation to make application for the Perkins Park Shoreline Erosion Project grant.
   i. Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve a resolution clarifying the Board of Health Responsibilities.
   j. Committee of the Whole recommendation that the County Board appropriate $1,000.00 from contingency to help sponsor the Great Lakes State Games in Marquette from June 19-21, 1992.
   k. Mid-Year nominations for vacancies on various County Boards and Commissions.

11. LATE ADDITIONS:
   a. RC # D video on Drainage District
   b. Second detention beds for juveniles

12. PUBLIC COMMENT. (time limit 20 minutes total)
13. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.
14. ADJOURNMENT.