The Marquette County Board of Commissioners Executive/Intergovernmental Relations Committee met on Wednesday, February 3, 1993 at 4:30 p.m. in Room 231 of the Henry A. Skewis Annex, Marquette, Michigan.


Connie Braam, Deputy County Clerk, opened the floor for nomination and election of a Chairperson. Comm. Trudell nominated Comm. Bergdahl. No other nominations were forthcoming.

It was moved by Comm. Trudell, supported by Comm. Braamse, and carried that nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot cast for Charles Bergdahl as Chairperson.

Chairperson Bergdahl opened the floor for nomination and election of a Vice-Chairperson. Comm. Corkin nominated Comm. Trudell. No other nominations were forthcoming.

It was moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Braamse, and unanimously carried that Clifford Trudell be elected Vice-Chairperson.

There were no minutes to approve.

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

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

The Committee considered options for the organization of the Marquette County Airport. Prosecuting Attorney Opinion #92-8 states that the Marquette County Airport is currently operated pursuant to the Parks, Zoological Gardens, and Airports Act. MCL 123.61. Under that Act, the County Board has the option of either having the County Road Commission serve as the County Airport Committee or appointing three members of the County Board of Commissioners to serve as the Airport Committee. The Airport Committee has the authority to administer and operate the Airport; however, the County Board of Commissioners retains the fiscal power regarding purchasing properties, making appropriations, providing funds for purchasing, and improving or maintaining airport properties. The County Airport can also be operated under another statutory scheme. The statute is part of the aeronautics code MCL 259.101 et seq. This statute gives broad authority to the County Board to appoint an Airport Management Committee. The Committee would not be a corporate body, but would have authority to manage the Airport for the County Board.

Commissioners discussed establishing an Airport Committee comprised of five members beginning with the three current County Road Commission members and two additional members. Comm. Potvin stated that the expanded Airport Committee could be two County Board members which would result in no additional cost to Marquette County.

Comm. Leonard Angeli was present and would like to see representation on the Airport Committee from the City of Marquette.

Commissioners and Staff expressed concern regarding a new five member Committee without including the present members. The present Commission is doing a terrific job. Commissioners asked Mr. Alderton if he would be willing to serve on a new and larger Committee. Mr. Alderton stated it would be no problem.
It was moved by Comm. Potvin, seconded by Comm. Braamse, to recommend to the Committee of the Whole to adopt an Airport Management Committee arrangement comprised of five members with staggered terms, beginning with the three current County Road Commission and Airport Committee members and appoint two new members representing geographical areas the County Board feels they are short, the City of Marquette and the East-end of Marquette County. And further that the County Board decide if the two new members would be lay citizens or County Board members.


It was then moved by Comm. Corkin, supported by Comm. Trudell, and unanimously carried to ask Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, to provide a financial analysis incorporating the concept of Comm. Potvin's motion regarding five member representation in geographical locations and report back to Committee.

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

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie M. Branam
Deputy County Clerk
MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
EXECUTIVE/INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE
Wednesday, February 3, 1993 4:30 p.m.
Room 231, Henry A. Skewis Annex
Marquette, Michigan 49855

1. ROLL CALL.
   **ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON.
   **ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRPERSON.
2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE/IGR COMMITTEE
   MEETING HELD ON (none).
3. PUBLIC COMMENT.
4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.
5. OPTIONS FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF THE MARQUETTE COUNTY AIRPORT
6. 

8. PUBLIC COMMENT.
9. ANNOUNCEMENTS.
10. ADJOURNMENT.