The Marquette County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Tuesday, December 20, 1994 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. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Joseph and unanimously carried by voice vote that the minutes of the December 6, 1994 Regular Board Meeting be approved.

Chairperson Corkin read the following proclamation:

RESOLUTION
FROM THE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COUNTY OF MARQUETTE
to
LOYOLA M. DOWNEY

WHEREAS, Government has an obligation to provide its citizens with services of the highest quality; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned services can only be provided by employees of the highest caliber; and,

WHEREAS, Loyola M. Downey has dedicated approximately thirty-four years of her life to serving the Marquette County Register of Deed's Office and the citizens of Marquette County. Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Marquette County Board of Commissioners gratefully acknowledges its appreciation for the services of Loyola M. Downey from May 2, 1960 through December 31, 1994, and, be it further

RESOLVED, that Loyola M. Downey's conscientiousness, professionalism, and pride in her work have enabled her to serve the people of Marquette County in a most exemplary fashion.

Proclaimed this 20th day of December, 1994, at Marquette, Michigan.

Gerald O. Corkin, Chairperson
Marquette County Board of Commissioners

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Chairperson Corkin opened the meeting for public comment.
Bob Beams, Richmond Township resident, questioned the Commission on Aging by-law change that was approved by the County Board and printed in the December 6th minutes. Article I Section I defines elected officials to ... include one member from the County Township Association. The next sentence says "When a public body is not able to find a member who can serve during a term, a slot will remain open." Mr. Beams pointed out that the County Township Association is not a public body and does not hold meetings open to the public. The County Township Association is merely a stepping stone for appointment or election to County office. It has lobbied for a change in election laws to require one more signature to recall a Township Official than the number of votes that elected them.

Jim Robinson, Chocolay Township resident, questioned if the County Board took action on a letter he gave them two weeks ago. Chairperson Corkin pointed out that the County Board has no authority over user fees or millages that are administered by Chocolay Township. Mr. Robinson contended that when he attends the Chocolay Township meetings that they tell him to sit down. He claims that the Township has a millage and now wants to implement a user fee. Mr. Robinson believes this to be a misuse of taxpayer dollars.

Chairperson Corkin requested Civil Counsel Payant to review both the Commission on Aging By-law change and Mr. Robinson's letter.

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

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Trudell and unanimously carried by voice vote that the agenda be approved with the following additions: 11a) A recommendation to upgrade the main frame Data General Computer from Brent Nault, Data Processing Manager.

**PRIVILEGED COMMENT**

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Trudell and unanimously carried by voice vote that the County Board certify the following millages to be levied by Republic Township for 1994:

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**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Joseph and unanimously carried by voice vote that the County Board accept and place on file the following informational items:

9. **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**
   c. Memo from Norman Holmes, Chairperson, Planning Commission, regarding Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Application for a Casino.
   d. Memo from James Kippola, Senior Planner, Summarizing Follow-up Meeting with John DeRocher regarding the Sawyer Feasibility Study.
INFORMATIONAL ITEMS CONTINUED

9e) The County Board considered a notice that Michigan Gas Company has made application to develop a liquefied petroleum storage and dispensing facility on the corner of Saginaw and Washington Streets within in the City of Ishpeming near the Marquette County Medical Care Facility.

Jim Kippola, Senior Planner, was present and reported that the Ishpeming Planning Commission held a public hearing last night, December 19th, and tabled the matter. The application for a conditional use permit by Michigan Gas Company has been referred to a special ad hoc committee to review the safety risks. It will be near the end of January before the Ishpeming Planning Commission brings the matter back to a public meeting.

The Ishpeming Planning Commission heard testimony from Lt. Mike Zorza, Emergency Program Manager, County Planning Staff, and Brad Cory, Director of the Medical Care Facility. All spoke in opposition to locating the liquefied petroleum storage and dispensing facility at this particular site near the Medical Care Facility.

It was moved by Comm. Angelis, seconded by Comm. Arsenaught, and carried by voice vote 9 Ayes to 1 Nay (with Comm. Joseph voting Nay) that the County Board write a letter opposing the installation of the liquefied petroleum storage and dispensing facility to be located at the Saginaw and Washington Street site and provide the letter to Planning Staff for presentation at the next Ishpeming Planning Commission meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Arsenaught, and unanimously carried by voice vote that the County Board approve Action Items 10c, 10d, 10f, 10g, 10h, 10i, 10j, 10k, and 10l as follows:

10c) A Committee of the Whole recommendation to send a letter to the Marquette County Medical Care Facility insisting payment of the $100,000 for the 1994 Maintenance of Effort that was previously agreed upon.

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10d) A Committee of the Whole recommendation that District Court Judge Patricia Micklow meet with Administrative Staff to work out internal personnel changes which could make up a funding difference for a temporary replacement during Mary Mantyla’s medical leave.

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10f) A Committee of the Whole recommendation to purchase three Sheriff Patrol Vehicles from the low bidder, Frei Chevrolet GEO for a total price of $46,061 which includes trade-in and vehicle changeover. The Committee further recommended that Undersheriff Quayle negotiate the purchase price of a fourth Sheriff’s vehicle (not necessarily a patrol vehicle) with the remaining $15,400 in funds available for 1996.

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10g) A Committee of the Whole recommendation to adopt the following resolution:
RESOLUTION
URGING THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
TO PROVIDE GOOD HIGHWAY, RAIL AND AIR FACILITIES
TO INSURE A FUTURE FOR K.I. SAWSER

WHEREAS, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is preparing its final long-
range transportation plan for submission to the federal government; and

WHEREAS, the elements of the plan are vital to the reuse of K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base as
a civilian employment hub for the Central Upper Peninsula; and

WHEREAS, the long range plan (the Corradino Study) calls for review of several alternatives
to improving the highway approaches to K.I. Sawyer from the Wisconsin border northward; and

WHEREAS, K.I. Sawyer’s remote location relative to other Upper Peninsula population
centers requires that economic development efforts be spurred by transportation improvements;
and

WHEREAS, the MDOT will be finalizing its recommendations within the next 30 days; and

WHEREAS, the K.I. Sawyer Conversion Authority of the Michigan Department of Commerce
has been charged with leading the effort to productively reuse K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base for the
benefit of the civilian population; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the K.I. Sawyer Conversion Authority that the following recommendations
be proffered to MDOT:

1. Initiate a comprehensive economic development corridor study from the Wisconsin
border to Marquette which will take into consideration the development and growth
expectations associated with reuse of K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base;
2. Proceed with all interim measures to speed the flow of commercial traffic between
existing improvements in Wisconsin and Marquette;
3. State rail assistance programs should be used to maintain and improve rail freight
service to the K.I. Sawyer site;
4. MDOT should continue to enhance the east-west highway corridors in the Upper
Peninsula;

and be it further

RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Henry Lotoszinski, MDOT, and
all members of the Michigan Transportation Commission, Central Upper Peninsula local
governments and elected federal and state legislators.

Adopted this 20th day of December, 1994
Gerald O. Corkin, Chairperson
Marquette County Board of Commissioners

10h) A Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve the 1994 Cooperative
Reimbursement Program Contract for the Family Support Division of the Prosecutor’s Office with
Title IV-D State funding amounts of $133,141 for the period January 1 through December 31,
1995.
10i) A Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve the 1995 Cooperative Reimbursement Program Contract for the Friend of the Court’s Office with Title IV-D State funding amounting to $269,863 for the period January 1 through December 31, 1995.

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10j) A Committee of the Whole recommendation that the County Board direct the Resource Management Department to consider the Michigan Department of Natural Resources 1995 Recreation Grant availability for various projects which include: Perkins Park, the Shooting Sports Complex, the Honor Camp Property and abandoned railroads to be used for recreational trails.

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10k) A Committee of the Whole recommendation to send a letter to Governor John Engler requesting that he immediately set a date for the Special Election for the 109th State Representative District vacancy.

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10l) A Committee of the Whole recommendation that the County Board designate wall space in the Courthouse for a future display of memorabilia in honor of State Representative Dominic Jacobetti.

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ACTION ITEMS CONTINUED

10a) The County Board considered an overall insurance review presentation by Michael Kaddatz, CPCU, ARMTech, an independent risk management consultant, hired by County Staff to determine the feasibility of self insurance. Mr. Kaddatz showed a series of slides comparing proposals received from eight companies for Marquette County’s worker’s comp, property, and liability coverage. These were compared to Marquette County’s current insurance program with the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority/Michigan Municipal League. After reviewing all the proposals in detail and making a lengthy presentation to the County Board, Mr. Kaddatz pointed out that the present MMRMA premium for 1995 is $407,395 compared to a proposal by Arthur J. Gallagher and Company of Michigan, Inc., Grand Rapids, of $359,047, a possible $48,000 saving in premiums with Lloyd’s of London. Mr. Kaddatz recommends that this is sufficient enough to consider becoming self-insured through the Gallagher/London package.

Charles Schwaab, Director of Risk Management, MMRMA, was present to discuss the proposal. Mr. Schwaab contended that MMRMA specializes in Michigan Municipalities and keeps close watch on any legislation, such as the new domestic violence requirements of police, that may affect liability for municipalities. All of MMRMA’s carriers are highly rated. Mr. Schwaab contended that London based insurance companies are very slow on paying claims, their coverages may be different, they may contain reinstatement and sunset clauses, and sometimes claims cannot be collected. Mr. Schwaab expressed concern that Marquette County would hire a consultant from California who recommends buying insurance through a foreign market.

Mr. Schwaab also thought that MMRMA had worked out a three-year agreement with Marquette County and there was one more year to go on the agreement.

Mike Kaddatz, ARMTech, responded to comments made by Mr. Schwaab. He explained that there is no problem with Lloyd’s of London. They cannot be lumped with all London based insurance companies. His consulting firm would not make a recommendation or present a program using any Company that has any major faults.
Jacqueline Onken, Risk Management Account Manager, with Arthur J. Gallagher and Company of Michigan was present. Ms. Onken explained that Gallagher and Company has been a top insurance broker worldwide for many years and has never had claim payment problems. Also, Lloyd's of London has not failed to pay a legitimate claim in its 305 year history. Should Marquette County self-insure through Gallagher/London they would gain greater control of their losses and it would not require more County Staff. Ms. Onken extended the Gallagher/London proposal until February 1, 1995.

Cyndi L. Beaudry, Marquette County Risk Management Specialist, recommended that the County hold a special meeting next week in order to approve a final agreement before January 1st if they are not ready to do so tonight. MMRMA may not provide a 30 day extension to their proposal.

County Administrator Dennis Aloia further explained that the County and MMRMA have a one way agreement. It is not a contract. When the County negotiated premiums with MMRMA two years ago, MMRMA agreed not to raise their premiums more than 5% per year. This does not prevent Marquette County from switching insurance carriers.

Administrator Aloia further explained that the bid process was extended and resulted in the late presentation of this material. It is apparent that the County Board cannot make a decision tonight. Several options are available for consideration: 1) to continue the third year with MMRMA and pay their annual premium, 2) begin a new three year agreement with MMRMA, and 3) to switch to the Gallagher/London package. He recommends that the County Board formally request that MMRMA extend its proposal for 30 days, as did Gallagher and Company. If they refuse then the County Board must hold a special meeting next Tuesday to consider the overall insurance review.

It was moved by Comm. Angeli, seconded by Comm. Potvin and unanimously carried by voice vote that the County Board request the MMRMA extend their proposal deadline to February 1st. If they are refused then the County Board hold a special meeting on Tuesday, December 27th at 4:30 p.m. to consider Worker's Comp, Property and Liability coverages.

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10b) The County Board considered a memo from Cyndi L. Beaudry, Risk Management Specialist, regarding a mediation and evaluation in the lawsuit Bingham v. Marquette County Medical Care Facility. After listening to the arguments of counsel and reviewing the mediation summaries, the mediators found in favor of the Plaintiff and against the Defendant. In light of mediation sanctions should we reject, Ms. Beaudry recommends it would be in the best interest for the Board to adopt a motion to accept the mediation evaluation. Should the Plaintiff reject the mediation award then the matter will proceed to the trial docket in District Court.

It was moved by Comm. Arsenaught, seconded by Comm. Seppanen and unanimously carried by voice vote that the County Board accept the mediation evaluation in the lawsuit Aho (Bingham) v. Marquette County Board of Social Services (County Medical Care Facility).

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10e) The County Board considered a Committee of the Whole recommendation directing Civil Counsel to provide a legal opinion regarding waiving building permit fees for Habitat for Humanity. Civil Counsel David Payant was present to explain PAO #94-9, in which he determined that Michigan Law gives Counties broad powers to establish housing programs. Under the Housing Facilities Act (MCL 125.652 et al), the County could establish its own housing commission. Another statute gives Counties the power to aid federal and state housing authorities and commissions (MCL 125.603).
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  COUNTY OF MARQUETTE  DECEMBER 20, 1994

Marquette County has been asked to assist Habitat for Humanity (a Non-Profit Corporation that builds homes using volunteer labor and sells them to low income people on interest free mortgages) by waiving Marquette County Building Permit fees. It is the recommendation of Civil Counsel that Marquette County enter into a contract with Habitat for Humanity, specifying that in return for their constructing a home and selling it to a low income family, Marquette County will agree to pay or waive Building Permit fees.

It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Angeli and unanimously carried by voice vote that the County Board follow the Civil Counsel's opinion and reimburse the Habitat for Humanity for the two homes they already constructed. Budget Amendment as follows:

RESOLUTION AMENDING
Fiscal Year 1994 Amendment No. 46

WHEREAS, budgets were adopted by the County Board on October 12, 1993, 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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The Chairperson declared the motion carried and the resolution duly adopted this 20th day of December, 1994.

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10m) The County Board considered appointment to various Boards and Commissions and appointed the following:

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LATE ADDITIONS

11a) The County Board considered a recommendation for a Data General Computer update from Brent Nault, Data Processing Manager. Mr. Nault was present and explained that in 1987 the County of Marquette updated the Data General Computer to the current Data General MV/7800 system. At that time the MV/7800 was two year old technology and offered savings on maintenance costs, ownership costs, increased performance, increased reliability and growth potential. The MV/7800 is now in the ninth year of its product life and all the costs mentioned above are escalating. The timing is right to update the Data General Computer System.

Mr. Nault further explained that the purchase price of the upgrade is $27,000 which is within the $29,860 budgeted for this purpose. Second, Mr. Nault has done an analysis on the maintenance savings and is confident that the County will save enough money in maintenance alone to pay for the upgrade in 2-1/2 years. Finally, will the new technology, the end users will benefit from the upgrade with increased speed and reliability. The Central Processing Unit (CPU), the brains of the new system, is 350% faster and has 240% more capacity than the old system. Mr. Nault recommends that the County Board update the Data General Computer System at a cost of $27,000.

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Arsenault, and unanimously carried by voice vote that the County Board approve of the Data General Computer upgrade as recommended by the Data Processing Manager.

Chairperson Corkin opened the meeting for public comment. None was forthcoming.

COMMISSIONER COMMENT

Comm. Angeli distributed a letter regarding Airport operations. For the past several months many discussions have occurred concerning operations at the County Airport. One that has consistently been before us is the operation of the Fuel Farm. Comm. Angeli finds it disturbing to receive questions and concerns from the public about Airport operations, yet the County Board has no say in how the Airport is run. He was the Commissioner who suggested that we expand the Airport Board to five members to give the County Board more access, however, it does not appear to be working. He believes it is time to once again look at the organization of the Airport Board and consider other options, such as placing the Airport under the County Administrator. Comm. Angeli suggested that the County Board hold a special meeting, sometime in the near future, to discuss the organization of the Airport, the Fuel Farm, the potential costs of moving the Airport should it occur, the Greiner Study, etc., etc.

Chairperson Corkin pointed out that on Wednesday, January 11th the FAA will be holding a meeting in Marquette at 1:30 P.M., site yet to be announced. It would be good if all Commissioners attend that meeting.

Comm. Braamse expressed her disappointment on the way the Commission on Aging appointments were handled. She felt that the County Board should have voted on the candidates on an individual basis rather than making a motion to appoint those recommended by the C.O.A. Nominating Committee.
Comm. Minelli expressed his appreciation to Comm. Don Potvin for his help over the past several years. Chairperson Corkin on behalf of the Board thanked Don Potvin for serving as a County Commissioner. This may be his last meeting.

It was moved by Comm. Potvin, seconded by Comm. Braamse and unanimously carried on a roll call vote, 10 Ayes (Comm. Potvin, Angeli, Arsenault, Bergdahl, Braamse, Joseph, Minelli, Seppanen, Trudell and Corkin) to 0 Nays that the County Board go into closed session at the request of County Administrator Dennis Aloia to consider the County Administrator's performance evaluation.

Chairperson Corkin declared a brief recess to clear commission chambers.

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CLOSED SESSION
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The County Board came back into open session. It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Trudell and unanimously carried by voice vote that the County Board accept the County Administrator’s Performance Evaluation and place it on file.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:58 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

David J. Roberts
Marquette County Clerk
MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting, Tuesday, December 20, 1994 at 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.
4. PROCLAMATIONS, PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS.
   a. Resolution from the County Board of Commissioners Honoring Loyola M. Downey on Her Retirement
5. PUBLIC COMMENT. (time limit 20 minutes total)
6. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.
7. PUBLIC HEARINGS.
8. PRIVILEGED COMMENT:
   a. Certification of Republic Township Millage Rates.
   b. 
9. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:
   c. Memo from Norman Holmes, Chairperson, Planning Commission, regarding Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Application for a Casino.
   d. Memo from James Kippola, Senior Planner, Summarizing Follow-up Meeting with John DeRocher regarding the Sawyer Feasibility Study.
      Reference: Michigan Gas Company Desires to Develop a Liquified Petroleum Storage and Dispensing Facility near the Medical Care Facility.

10. ACTION ITEMS:
   b. Consideration of Mediation: Bingham v. Marquette County Medical Care Facility.
   c. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Send a Letter to the Marquette County Medical Care Facility Insisting Payment of $100,000 for the 1994 MOE.
   d. Committee of the Whole Recommendation regarding Temporary Placement for District Court Probation Officer.
   e. Committee of the Whole Recommendation Directing Civil Counsel to Provide a Legal Opinion regarding Granting Building Permits to Habitat for Humanity.
   f. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve the Purchase of Three Sheriff Patrol Vehicles from Frei Chevrolet Geo.
   g. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Adopt a Resolution Urging the Michigan Department of Transportation to Provide Good Highway, Rail and Air Facilities for K.I. Sawyer.
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h. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve the 1995 Cooperative Reimbursement Contract for the Family Support Division.

i. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve the 1995 Cooperative Reimbursement Contract for the Friend of the Court’s Office.

j. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Direct Recreation Grant Information from the Michigan DNR to the Resource Management Department.

k. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to send a Letter to Governor John Engler Requesting He Immediately Set a Date for the Special Election for the 109th State Representative District.

l. Committee of the Whole Recommendation that the County Board Designate Wall Space for a Future Display of Memorabilia in Honor of State Representative Dominic Jacobetti.

m. Appointments to Various Boards and Commissions.

11. LATE ADDITIONS:
   a. Computer Data Correct

   b. Airport Letter (2)

12. PUBLIC COMMENT. (time limit 20 minutes total)

CLOSED SESSION TO CONSIDER PERFORMANCE EVALUATION OF COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
(Requested by Dennis Aloia, County Administrator)

13. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

14. ADJOURNMENT.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!