BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS    COUNTY OF MARQUETTE    JUNE 20, 1995

The Marquette County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Tuesday, June 20, 1995 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. Trudell and unanimously carried by voice vote that the minutes of the June 6, 1995 Regular Board Meeting be approved.

Chairperson Corkin opened the meeting for public comment. Attorney Tom Clark requested the opportunity speak under Action Item 10a) The Sale of the Acoks Property.

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

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Minelli and unanimously carried by voice vote that the agenda be approved with the following late addition: Item 11a) Information from Lutheran Social Services regarding their Grant Application for Federal Title III-B funding.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

It was moved by Comm. Rapport, seconded by Comm. Minelli and unanimously carried by voice vote that the following informational items be accepted and placed on file:

a. Letter of Thank You from State Representative Mike Prusi.
b. Acknowledgement from State Representative Paul Tesanovich regarding Gasoline Tax Legislation.
d. Letter from Dennis Aloia County Administrator to Dick Pastula, Director, Community Development Division, Michigan Jobs Commission, regarding Community Development Revolving Loan Programs.

ACTION ITEMS

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Braamse and unanimously carried by voice vote that the County Board approve Action Items 10b, 10c, 10d, 10e, 10f, 10g and 10h as follows:

10b) A recommendation from Resource/Management Development Staff and the Central Dispatch Policy Board to accept the bid of $36,800 plus reimbursable expenses estimated at $7,500 from W. M. Montgomery and Associates for communication consulting work to provide an evaluation of our Central Dispatch System and make recommendations for its improvement, budget amendment as follows:

RESOLUTION AMENDING CENTRAL DISPATCH FUND BUDGET
Fiscal Year 1995 Amendment No. 14

WHEREAS, budgets were adopted by the County Board on October 11, 1994, 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

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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. Braamse, 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 this 20th day of June, 1995.

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10c) A Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve the Marquette County Americorp proposal which was developed as a joint venture between several service agencies including the Marquette County Health Department, the Marquette County Volunteer Center, the Alger-Marquette Community Mental Health Center, the Marquette County Commission on Agency, and the Alger-Marquette Community Action Board. These partners will form a coalition with 20 full-time Americorp volunteers to meet the unmet needs of 500 elderly. The proposal is a grant application request for $258,258 with a local in kind cash match brings the total budget amount to $313,623 for one year beginning September 1995.

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10d) A Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve the FY 1996 Grant Application by the Marquette County Community Corrections Advisory Board to the State of Michigan Office of Community Corrections, proposed budget amount for FY 1996 being $78,646.75.

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10e) A Committee of the Whole recommendation to amend Appendix A of the Marquette County Personnel and Procedures Manual to include the classifications of Commission on Aging Director and Administrative Aide.

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10f) A Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve the Annex Vertical Window Bid by Sherwin Williams Company in the amount of $8,077.49.

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10g) A Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve the Amendment/Grant Agreement between the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Employment Programs. The amendment represents an increase of $106,000 for the current state fiscal period which ends September 30, 1995 which will enable the Employment Programs to hire eight full-time workers which will enable construction by Employment Programs for the Michigan DNR of 500 barrier free picnic tables, 20 barrier free fire rings, 24 barrier free information centers, and 36 barrier free toilet buildings.

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10h) A Committee of the Whole recommendation to write a thank you letter to the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community for its donation of funds to Marquette County.

ACTION ITEMS CONTINUED

10a) The County Board considered two proposals for the purchase of the Old Acocks property. County Administrator Dennis Aloia has reviewed these proposals based on the criteria that the County Board said was important, which included: Indemnification from liability, compliance with Negaunee Township Zoning, and purchase price. Administrator Aloia did not seek an appraisal of the property which would have cost $15,000 to $20,000, nor did he evaluate the financial background of the proponents. His recommendation boils down to the issue of price, and Four UP is offering $120,000 compared to the L & J LeBoeuf offer of $81,400.

Attorney Tom Clark, representing L & J LeBoeuf was present and explained, as he did at last week’s Committee of the Whole meeting, that L & J LeBoeuf is prepared to negotiate a final purchase agreement with Staff and pay cash. Mr. Clark contended that Four UP is a company that exists only on paper and their plan is to use the property as collateral to finance their proposal. How do you measure Four UP’s interest when they are not at this meeting, nor were they at the Committee of the Whole meeting last week. Mr. Clark requested that should the County Board offer the Acocks property to Four UP, that it does not become a defacto partner with Four UP by assisting them with their financing and paperwork. Should the proposal by Four UP not materialize, L & J. LeBoeuf would still be interested in the Acocks property within a reasonable time frame. They had hoped to begin demolition on the building in late summer.
County Administrator Dennis Aloia further explained that both of the proposals require a Conditional Use Permit, however Negawee Township has given its preliminary okay to both projects. The Marquette County EDC has met with Four UP, like it would with any other new business, but this has nothing to do with the County Board’s decision. The snowmobile trail easement will be preserved and the agreement will also include a $60,000 performance bond for the removal of the asbestos. Administrator Aloia admitted that the low bidder probably has a better expectation of success, however, the County Board did not require the Administrator to review the financial wherewithal of the persons making the proposals. If Four UP comes up with the money and then their business fails, the County has no control over that issue.

Administrator Aloia also distributed a memo from Civil Counsel David Payant outlining a new environmental statute. Section 20126 under Public Act 307 does not bar an agreement to insure, hold harmless, or indemnify a party to the agreement for liability, however, that transfer of liability is only as good as the financial solvency of the guarantor.

It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Trudell and carried by voice vote 9 Ayes to 1 Nay (with Comm. Seppanen voting Nay) that the County Board concur with the Administrator’s recommendation and accept the proposal from Four UP for the sale of the Acocks property with the following conditions:

That the sale be closed within 60 days, that the County receive an irrevocable 10% cash down payment within 15 days to start negotiations, that free rent be provided to the County through December 31st, 1995 for use of the building, and that the staff negotiate the contract details and bring them back to the County Board for final approval.

10) The County Board made the following appointments to various County Boards and Commissions:

Joe Petry, Negawee was appointed to the Planning Commission for an unexpired term ending 12/21/95.
Mark Maki, Chocolay Township, was appointed to the Building Code Board of Appeals for an unexpired term ending 12/31/96.
Dawson Carriere, Champion, was appointed to the Solid Waste Authority for a regular term ending July, 1998.
James A. Fegan, Ely Township, was appointed to the Commission on Aging for an unexpired term in the Senior Category ending 12/31/97.
Joe Erickson, a member of the Planning Commission, was appointed to the Forestry Commission (a sub-committee of the Planning Commission).
Gerald A. Anderson, Ishpeming, was appointed to the Alger-Marquette Community Action Board for an unexpired term ending 12/31/95 with the following supporting resolution:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the appointment of Gerald Anderson as Public Sector Representative to the Alger-Marquette Community Action Board was an official act of the Marquette County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Marquette County Board of Commissioners recognize the authority of Public Act 230 of 1981 and subsequent Administrative Rules as certified on January 31, 1990; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Marquette County Board of Commissioners to have Gerald Anderson as Public Sector Representative on the Alger-Marquette Community Action Board of Directors.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Gerald Anderson be appointed as Marquette County Public Sector Representative with full authority to represent Marquette County by serving on the Alger-Marquette Community Action Board of Directors at the pleasure of the Marquette County Board of Commissioners.

The aforementioned resolution was duly passed and adopted by the Marquette County Board of Commissioners on this 20th day of June, 1995.

 Gerald O. Corkin, Chairperson
 Marquette County Board of Commissioners

LATE ADDITIONS

The County considered an informational item from Martha E. Parks, Director, Upper Peninsula Programs for Lutheran Social Services. Lutheran Social Services has applied for funding through the Upper Peninsula Area Agency on Aging under the Federal Title III B Program. The proposal would place three part-time homemaker aids in the southeast section of the County thus concentrating services on a under served area which roughly includes Harvey east to Alger County and south to Skandia, Gwinn and Little Lake. These workers would provide 4,000 hours of basic homemaking services. The funds requested amount to $30,235 with a total budget of $39,360.

It was moved by Comm. Rapport, seconded by Comm. Joseph and unanimously carried to accept the notification and place it on file.

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

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS, STAFF COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Administrator Aloia explained that the FAA Grant of $1 million is earmarked for runway improvements at the County Airport. The Grant needs a 5% State and 5% County match. Hal Pawley, Airport Manager, wanted to accept the Grant so it would be earmarked for the Marquette County Airport, otherwise, the FAA may direct the funds somewhere else. Should the County request to use the $1 million for K.I. Sawyer, the initial response from the FAA would most likely be no, however, now that the funds are earmarked there may be a chance.

Administrator Aloia also explained that he has not received any written response yet from Mr. Dick Postula, Michigan Jobs Commission regarding the return of Community Development Revolving Loan Funds. Mr. Aloia spoke with Doug Sitz, Michigan Jobs Commission and requested copies of the letters they claim to have sent Marquette County. Mr. Aloia has received no letters and neither has the Marquette County EDC.

Chairperson Corkin reported that the Base Conversion Authority Staff is working with the FAA to get a waiver on the $2 million reinvestment funds. There is a chance that something positive can happen.

Chairperson Corkin also pointed out that restoration negotiations between the Air Force and the State of Michigan are under way and should be complete in about six months.

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, June 20, 1995 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.
5. PUBLIC COMMENT. (time limit 20 minutes total)
6. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.
7. PUBLIC HEARINGS.
8. PRIVILEGED COMMENT:
9. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:
   a. Letter of Thank You from State Representative Mike Prusi.
   b. Acknowledgement from State Representative Paul Tesanovich regarding Gasoline Tax Legislation.
   d. Letter from Dennis Aloia County Administrator to Dick Pastula, Director, Community Development Division, Michigan Jobs Commission, regarding Community Development Revolving Loan Programs.
10. ACTION ITEMS:
   a. Sale of the Acoks Property.
   b. Award of Central Dispatch Consultant Bid.
   c. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve the Marquette County Americorps Proposal.
   d. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve the FY 1996 Community Corrections Grant Application.
   e. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to amend the County Personnel Policies to include the Director and Administrative Aide for the Commission on Aging.
   f. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve the Annex Vertical Window Blind Bid by Sherwin Williams Company.
   g. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve the Amendment/Grant Agreement between the Michigan DNR and Department of Employment Programs.
   h. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to send a Thank You to the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community.
   i. Appointments to Various Boards and Commissions.
11. LATE ADDITIONS:
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12. PUBLIC COMMENT. (time limit 20 minutes total)
13. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS, STAFF COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.
14. ADJOURNMENT.