BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  COUNTY OF MARQUETTE  MARCH 18, 1997

The Marquette County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Tuesday, March 18, 1997 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. Tuominen and unanimously carried by voice vote that the minutes of the March 4, 1997 Regular Board Meeting be approved.

Chairperson Corkin opened the meeting for public comment.

Rex Buettgenbach, Bresnan Communication, was present and noted that Bresnan Communications has unwillingly become entangled in a controversy regarding coverage of the County Committee of the Whole meetings. Mr. Buettgenbach explained that Bresnan Communications serves as a conduit of information for the community and volunteered Bresnan to live broadcast the Marquette County Committee of the Whole meetings for a 3-6 month trial period beginning with next Tuesday’s Committee of the Whole, March 25th. Mr. Buettgenbach thanked the County Board for their time and consideration.

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

It was moved by Comm. Tuominen, seconded by Comm. Rapport and unanimously carried by voice vote that the agenda be approved with the following deletion: Item 10I I A Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Leave the Decision to Bresnan Communications Whether or Not to Televide the Committee of the Whole Meetings.

PRIVILEGED COMMENT

8a) Chairperson Corkin announced the following appointments to the KI Sawyer Development Committee: Comm. Paul Arsenault, Chairperson, Comm. Nick Joseph, Comm. Ken Tuominen, and Comm. Karlyn Rapport. Chairperson Corkin will serve as an alternate if the Chair or any Commissioner is absent. Also serving on the KI Sawyer Development Committee will be the Supervisors or their Designee from the Townships of Forsyth, Sands, and West Branch.

County Administrator Steve Powers will present draft by-laws for the KI Sawyer Development Committee at the next Committee of the Whole Meeting.

8b) Chairperson Corkin noted that Deputy Charles Custard of the Marquette County Sheriff’s Department was presented the “Officer of the Year Award” at the Marquette County Law Enforcement Administrator’s Association Meeting held Wednesday, March 12th at the Steer & Stein Restaurant. Congratulations to Deputy Custard.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

It was moved by Comm. Roberts, seconded by Comm. Joseph and unanimously carried by voice vote that the following informational item be accepted and placed on file: A) UPACC Spring Conference, May 9-10, 1997, Terrace Bay Inn, Escanaba.

ACTION ITEMS

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Roberts and unanimously carried by voice vote that the County Board approve Action Items 10a, 10b, 10c, 10d, 10e, 10f, 10g, 10h, 10i, 10j, and 10k as follows:
10a) Committee of the Whole Recommendation authorizing the Economic Development Corporation to prepare the 1997 EDA Grant Application, and to work with CUPPAD, County Staff, and other agencies as appropriate to prepare that application.

10b) Committee of the Whole Recommendation that the County Board submit the Application for Funding to the U.S. Department of Defense, Office of Economic Adjustment, and direct Staff to continue to negotiate additional funding for surveying work. The total project grant request is $973,810 of which $692,000 would come from the OEA. The County’s portion remains as in kind contributions estimated at $124,000. The State of Michigan’s contribution to the project is $157,600. The project will provide for various studies necessary for the Reuse Plan of KI Sawyer.

10c) Committee of the Whole Recommendation that the County Board sign a Memorandum of Understanding with Air Force Base Conversion Authority as outlined by the County Administrator for the replacement funding for the KI Sawyer Heating System.

10d) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to award the KI Sawyer Heating Conversion Design Project to the low bidder, Sundberg and Carlson and Associates, in the amount of $149,531.

10e) Committee of the Whole Recommendation that the County Board request the EDC Audit for the years 1992-95 be presented to the County Board at the April 8, 1997 Committee of the Whole Meeting and that the Auditor and the EDC Board be present.

10f) Committee of the Whole Recommendation that the County Board approve the allocation of a $5 increase in Juvenile Court costs, funds to be placed in the Juvenile Restitution Account for use in making restitution to victims of juvenile crime.

10g) Committee of the Whole Recommendation that the County Board approve a 1997 Michigan CDBG Housing Grant Application, funding in the amount of $275,000 for housing improvement activities to benefit low and moderate income County residents, by adopting the Resolution Authorizing Submission of the Application, authorizing the Board Chairperson to sign the appropriate documents, and further that the County Board approve the following activities funded by the 1997 Block Grant for the Marquette County Housing Rehabilitation Program: Rehabilitation - $173,000, Emergency Repairs - $27,500, downpayment assistance - $25,000, and program administration - $49,500. Resolution as follows:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MARQUETTE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO SEEK MICHIGAN STATE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY CDBG FUNDING

WHEREAS the Michigan State Housing Development Authority has promulgated instructions for applying for the 1997 Michigan CDBG Housing Program Funds, and

WHEREAS the County of Marquette’s 1996 Housing Plan recognizes the need to assist low and moderate income residents in attaining safe and sanitary housing through housing rehabilitation activities, and

WHEREAS the County of Marquette is desirous of applying for such funding to cover proposed single family dwelling rehabilitation, emergency repairs and downpayment assistance for such low and moderate income County residents.

WHEREAS the County of Marquette hereby adopts and equal opportunity and fair housing policy and reaffirms its affirmative action policy and drug free work place policy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Marquette County, Michigan authorize submission of an application to the Michigan State Housing Development Authority for funding under the 1997 Michigan CDBG Housing Program to cover the cost of proposed housing rehabilitation and associated activities within the County.

Adopted this 18th day of March, 1997
Gerald O. Corkin, Chairperson
Marquette County Board of Commissioners
10h) Committee of the Whole Recommendation that the County Board approve applications for recreation grant funding currently offered by the Michigan DNR and adopt two resolutions committing the County to the projects: 1) The Perkins Park Development Project authorizing $76,025 from the Land Acquisition Fund as the County's 25% local match; and 2) The Sugarloaf to Big Bay Non-Motorized Pathway route identification authorizing $2,500 from the Land Acquisition Fund as the County's 25% match, resolutions and budget amendment as follows:

PERKINS PARK DEVELOPMENT PROJECT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the County of Marquette has adopted the 1997-2001 Recreation Plan which recognizes various County recreation needs and specifically prioritizes improvements at Perkins Park;

WHEREAS, the County of Marquette has accepted a master plan for Perkins Park that proposes a variety of improvements to enhance the overall recreational use of the park;

WHEREAS, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources is currently offering financial assistance for such projects through its recreation grant program to help defray costs of the Perkins Park Development Project;

WHEREAS, the Marquette County Planning Commission opened its regular meeting of March 5, 1997, to accept public comment regarding the Perkins Park Development Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Marquette County Board of Commissioners hereby applies for assistance from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Recreation Grants Program and intends to undertake the Perkins Park Development Project and provide local matching funds if a grant is offered.

Adopted this 18th day of March, 1997
Gerald O. Corkin, Chairperson
Marquette County Board of Commissioners

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NON-MOTORIZED PATHWAY IDENTIFICATION PROJECT SUGARLOAF TO BIG BAY

WHEREAS, the County of Marquette has adopted the 1997-2001 Recreation Plan which recognizes various County recreation needs including a non-motorized pathway from Marquette to Big Bay;

WHEREAS, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources is currently offering financial assistance for such projects through its recreation grant program to help defray costs of non-motorized pathway development;

WHEREAS, the Marquette County Planning Commission opened its regular meeting of March 5, 1997, to accept public comment regarding identification of the pathway route;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Marquette County Board of Commissioners hereby applies for assistance from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Recreation Grants Program and intends to undertake the pathway identification project and provide local matching funds if a grant is offered.

Adopted this 18th day of March, 1997
Gerald O. Corkin, Chairperson
Marquette County Board of Commissioners

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RESOLUTION AMENDING LAND ACQUISITION FUND BUDGET
Fiscal Year 1997 Amendment No. 7

WHEREAS, budgets were adopted by the County Board on October 8, 1996, 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:
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS COUNTY OF MARQUETTE MARCH 18, 1997

Expense Budget Acct. Previous Budget Amended Budget Change

Land Acquisition Fund
Administration
Perkins Park - Phase II 0.00 304,105.00 304,105.00
Sugarloaf/Big Bay Pathway 0.00 50,000.00 50,000.00
Totals 0.00 354,105.00 354,105.00

Rev. Budget Acct.

Land Acquisition Fund
Administration
State Grant - Perkins Phase II 0.00 228,080.00 228,080.00
State Grant - Pathways 0.00 37,500.00 37,500.00
Use of Fund Equity 0.00 88,525.00 88,525.00
Totals 0.00 354,105.00 354,105.00

Motion was made by Comm. Seppanen, Seconded by Comm. Roberts, 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 18th day of March, 1997.

10i) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to pay for the installation of water meters at Perkins Park by Powell Township, total charges $13,198.86, half of the amount was paid in 1996 and the other half must be paid in FY 1997, budget amendment as follows:

RESOLUTION AMENDING FOREST/RECREATION FUND BUDGET
Fiscal Year 1997 Amendment No. 6

WHEREAS, budgets were adopted by the County Board on October 8, 1996, 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:

Expense Budget Acct. Previous Budget Amended Budget Change

Forest Recreation Fund
Perkins Park
Water & Sewer Costs 5,000.00 7,594.00 2,594.00
Totals 5,000.00 7,594.00 2,594.00

Rev. Budget Acct.

Forest Recreation Fund
Perkins Park
Use of Fund Balance 0.00 2,594.00 2,594.00
Totals 0.00 2,594.00 2,594.00

Motion was made by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Roberts, to adopt the foregoing resolution. Upon roll call vote, the following vote was recorded:
The Chairperson declared the motion carried and the resolution duly adopted this 18th day of March, 1997.

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10j) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve the dates of April 25-26, 1997 for the Strategic Planning Session and invite all Committees of Marquette County and any interested person from the public sector to attend.

10k) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to place the Elected Official’s Compensation on the agenda for the Strategic Planning Session in April.

ACTION ITEMS CONTINUED

The County Board considered the appointment of four members to the Superior Behavioral Health Board. The nine nominees were as follows:

Robert Lee Atkins, Marquette Township
Peg Braamse, Marquette
Karen M. Chandler, Sands Township
Jacqueline Dault, Marquette
Rudolph Kemppainen, Marquette
Richard B. Klahn, Marquette
Susan L. McCarthy, Marquette
Lidia Menchaca, Forsyth Township
William Mudge, Jr., Marquette

County Clerk Dave Roberts called the roll for balloting and Jacqueline Dault, Rudolph Kemppainen, and William Mudge were appointed on the first ballot and Karen M. Chandler was appointed on the second ballot to 3-year terms ending April 1, 2000 to the Superior Behavioral Health Board.

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

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS, STAFF COMMENTS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Comm. Seppanen thanked Rex Buettenbach, Bresnan Communications, for offering to broadcast the Committee of the Whole Meetings on a trial basis. Comm. Rapport requested that Bresnan consider broadcasting the meetings on a tape delay at a different time because the Committee of the Whole coincides with local news.

Comm. Angeli listened to a presentation by Greg Hall, AMR’s Vice-President of Maintenance and Engineering, at a meeting of the Economic Club of Marquette on Monday. Mr. Hall indicated the key factor in AMR locating a maintenance plant in Marquette County is the quality of the area aircraft workers. Mr. Angeli asked if the AMR project is on schedule?

Administrator Steve Powers noted there has been one delay in the navigational aids but they should be ready by March 27th. Also, the weather aids should be in place by April 1st.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

David J. Roberts
Marquette County Clerk
MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting, Tuesday, March 18, 1997 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:
   a. Appointments to the KI Sawyer Development Committee.
   b. Marquette County Law Enforcement Association Presented Deputy Charles Custard of the Marquette County Sheriff’s Department the "Officer of the Year Award".
9. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:
   a. UPACC Spring Conference May 9-10, 1997, Terrace Bay Inn, Escanaba.
10. ACTION ITEMS:
    a. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Authorize the Preparation of the 1997 EDA Grant Application.
    b. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Submit Application for Funding to the US Department of Defense, OEA, for Sawyer Surveying Work.
    c. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Sign the Memorandum of Understanding for Replacement Funding for the KI Sawyer Heating System.
    d. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Award the KI Sawyer Heating Conversion Design Project to Sundberg, Carlson, and Associates.
    e. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Request the EDC Audits, 1992-95 be Presented to the County Board at the April 8, 1997 Committee of the Whole Meeting.
    f. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve the Allocation of a $5 Increase in Probate Court Costs to the Juvenile Restitution Account.
    g. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the Application to Seek Michigan State Housing Development Authority CDBG Funding.
    h. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve Applications for Two DNR Recreation Grants.
    i. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Pay for Installation of Water Meters at Perkins Park by Powell Township, Funds from the Forest Recreation Fund.
    j. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve the Dates of April 25-26, 1997 for the Strategic Planning Session.
    k. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Place Elected Officials’ Compensation on the Agenda for the Strategic Planning Session.
    l. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Leave the Decision to Bresnan Communications Whether or Not to Televise the Committee of the Whole Meetings.
    m. Appointment of Four Members to the Superior Behavioral Health Board.
11. LATE ADDITIONS:
   a. 
   b. 
12. PUBLIC COMMENT. (time limit 20 minutes total)
13. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS, STAFF COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.
14. ADJOURNMENT.