The Marquette County Board of Commissioners held their Regular Meeting on Tuesday, September 19, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 231 of the Henry A. Skewis Annex, Baraga Avenue, Marquette, Michigan.


A salute to the flag was given followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Wallace, and unanimously carried by voice vote that the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 5, 2000 be approved.

Chairperson Corkin read the following resolution honoring Linwood “Bud” Jackson on his retirement:

MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION
HONORING LINWOOD “BUD” JACKSON

WHEREAS, Government has the obligation to provide its citizens the best service possible by hiring employees of the finest quality; and

WHEREAS, Linwood Jackson was hired as a Deputy in the Sheriff’s Department on September 20, 1975 to serve as a Road Patrol and Corrections Officer; and

WHEREAS, Linwood Jackson was promoted to Corporal/Road Patrol on April 27, 1978, and promoted to Sergeant/Road Patrol on July 15, 1992; and

WHEREAS, Linwood Jackson will retire on September 20, 2000 after twenty-five years of service to the citizens of Marquette County,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Marquette County Board of Commissioners gratefully acknowledges its appreciation for the dedicated public service of Linwood Jackson since September 1975; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, on behalf of all County citizens, the Marquette County Board of Commissioners wish “Bud” along with his wife Sue a long and happy retirement.

Proclaimed this 19th day of September, 2000
Gerald O. Corkin, Chairperson
Marquette County Board of Commissioners

Chairperson Corkin opened the meeting for public comment.

Gerry Waite, 270 Riverside, Marquette, NMU Journalism Instructor, noted that students from his class will be attending County Board meetings on a regular basis during this semester. He hoped that Commissioners would be helpful to them should they have any questions.

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

It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Tuominen, and unanimously carried by voice vote that the agenda be approved as presented.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

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

a) Acknowledgement and Receipt of Marquette County Board of Commissioners Resolution to Amend the EDC Bylaws from the Office the Great Seal.

b) Report of Findings of Onsite Evaluation of the Marquette County Youth Home (Youth Home Received an A Rating).
Comm. Seppanen noted that the Marquette County Youth Home has consistently received “A” ratings on these inspections over several years.

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Rapport, and unanimously carried by voice vote that the County Board send a letter of commendation to the Youth Home Staff and Judge Anderegg.

ACTION ITEMS

10a) It was moved by Comm. Roberts, seconded by Comm. Curto, and unanimously carried by voice vote that Claims and Accounts for the period September 8, 2000 through September 14, 2000 in the amount of $348,118.45 be approved.

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Arsenault, and unanimously carried by voice vote that Action Items 10b, 10c, 10d, 10e, 10f, 10g, and 10h be approved as follows.

10b) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve a Revised Schedule for Health Department Fees for Dental Health, Community Health, and Personal Health Programs, new fees effective September 19, 2000.

10c) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to adopt a Resolution for the Final 911 Service Plan Administrative Findings for the geographic boundaries within Marquette County as required by the Emergency Telephone Service Enabling Act, resolution as follows:

PLAN AMENDMENT

1. The Marquette County Board of Commissioners (“Board”) is authorized from time to time to adopt and update the list of service suppliers facilitating wire based emergency service calls, and public agencies providing emergency response services within the Service District. The Board shall also periodically obtain and publish the highest monthly flat rate charged by a service supplier for a 1-party access line within the Marquette County Service District. The Board shall memorialize the updated list of service suppliers, the highest monthly charge and the emergency service providers within the Service District in a set of Administrative Findings.

2. All Commercial Mobile Radio Service (“CMRS”) providers are requested and directed to deploy Phase II 911 enhanced service as provided in the wireless emergency service order (“Order”), FCC Docket No. 94-102, adopted June 12, 1996 with an effective date of October 1, 1996.

3. The Marquette County Board of Commissioners, as the governing body of the County’s Service District, is authorized and directed to take any action necessary to implement the Order, the Emergency Telephone Service Enabling Act, 1986 PA 32, as amended (“Act”), or any other applicable state or federal law existing or subsequently adopted.

4. The Marquette County Board of Commissioners is authorized and directed to cooperate with the Telephone, Telegraph, and Radio Emergency Telephone Service Committee or any other state, federal or local body or official authorized to install, operate, modify and maintain universal emergency number service systems, whether land-line, cellular, wireless, digital or radio based.

5. The Marquette County Board of Commissioners is authorized and directed to implement, receive and expend, consistent with all applicable laws, any operational surcharges, CMRS service charges, or any other funding provided under state or federal law, including but not limited to such fees authorized, imposed, and collect under the Act.

6. The Plan is hereby amended to reflect the fact that the Service District is coextensive with the boundaries of Marquette County, with one exception: Spur Township in Baraga County lies within the Service District until such time as Baraga County implements its own 9-1-1 Service Plan and such Plan accepts Spur Township. Marquette County Central Dispatch serves as the primary PSAP for 9-1-1 calls from all portions of the Service District through automatic routing from all wire centers that overlap Marquette County’s borders. All service suppliers that need to apply the technical charges of the Marquette County 9-1-1 Service Plan, as amended, in order to finance E-9-1-1 service to the Service District are hereby authorized to levy such charges.

7. The Plan is amended to authorize the Marquette County Board of Commissioners to adopt by-laws for the Marquette County Central Dispatch Policy Board, establishing both its membership, in accordance with MCL Sec. 484.1320, and its operating rules, regulations and procedures.

8. This Amendment’s provisions are designed to modify, amend, supersede or replace any inconsistent provisions in the County’s Final 911 Service Plan (“Plan”), and to augment, supplement or add to such Plan provisions that are not in any way inconsistent.

9. A final hearing on this Plan Amendment is set for July 5, 2000, and the County Clerk is directed to send a copy of this Plan Amendment to all public agencies and to otherwise make the required postings under the Act.

Adopted this 19th day of September, 2000

Gerald O. Corkin, Chairperson
Marquette County Board of Commissioners

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10d) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve an Unmetered Electrical Cost Agreement with the Air Force Base Conversion Agency, resolution as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED, as a result of recent discussions, AFBCA staff has agreed to recommend to AFBCA, and KISDD staff has agreed to recommend to the KISEDCC and to the County Board of Commissioners, the following resolution of the issues regarding unmetered electric costs:

1. AFBCA would reimburse the County for one-half of the approximately $140,000.00 in unmetered electric costs the County has paid for the months of January through August, 2000. The amount of the proposed reimbursement to the County, therefore, would be approximately $70,000.00; and,
2. The AFBCA would contribute the flat sum of $6,000.00 per month toward the unmetered electric costs commencing on September 15, 2000, and continuing through June 15, 2001; and
3. The Air Force will continue to be responsible for the maintenance of the electric distribution system, including the $3,000.00 monthly maintenance fee to UPPCO, through June 15, 2001; and,
4. The County and the AFBCA will execute an amendment to the EDC Agreement by which the County will agree to accept the transfer of ownership of the Sawyer electric utility by not later than June 15, 2001, or pay all costs associated therewith from that date forward.

Assuming that the cost of unmetered electricity continues to be in the area of $10,500.00 per month, the cost to the County would be approximately $4,500.00 per month from September 15, 2000, through June 15, 2001, and thereafter would depend upon what the County decides to do with the electric utility, and/or the terms of any agreements relating to the possible disposition thereof.

KISDD staff and Civil Counsel believe that these proposed terms are reasonable with respect to both the AFBCA and the County, and recommend that the EDC and the County board of Commissioners approve of these terms and authorize the County board Chair to execute the documents necessary to implement them.

Adopted this 19th day of September, 2000
Gerald O. Corkin, Chairperson
Marquette County Board of Commissioners


10f) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve the resolution adopting the Contract Agreement with the Michigan Department of Transportation for the purpose of obtaining a Michigan Air Service Grant for Sawyer International Airport, resolution as follows:

RESOLUTION


BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Marquette County, Michigan:

Section I. That the County Board of Commissioners of Marquette, County, Michigan shall enter into a Contract Agreement for Air Service Awareness Grant for Sawyer International Airport, and that such Contract Agreement shall be as set forth hereinafter.

Section II. That the Chairperson of the Marquette County Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Contract Agreement on behalf of the County of Marquette, Michigan, and the County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to attest said execution:

Section III. That the Contract Agreement referred to herein shall be as attached.

Adopted this 19th day of September, 2000
Gerald O. Corkin, Chairperson
Marquette County Board of Commissioners

10g) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve the Lease/Purchase Agreement for Sawyer Building 503 with the Michigan State Missions Board of the National Association of Free Will Baptists.
10h) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to waive the Personal Property Policy for Sawyer and approve a request by Forysth Township Emergency Medical Services and Police Department for various personal property items at KI Sawyer at no cost (mostly furniture), and further that the County Health Department be allowed to replace damaged personal property items received from Sawyer for the Dental Clinic at no cost.

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

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS, STAFF COMMENTS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairperson Corkin announced that on September 22nd from 10:00 a.m. to Noon there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony and open house at the ACN Call Center Facilities, 411 N. 3rd Street, KI Sawyer Development Complex. This will be the grand opening of the ACN Communications Center. They are expecting to have 100 employees by the end of this year.

Comm. Bergdahl noted that in the latest Michigan Works Business Publication there are two articles regarding the Central Lake Superior Watershed Partnership. At last night’s meeting the “Partnership” accepted a $10,000 grant. They are also in consideration for additional grants totaling $275,000.

Comm. Bergdahl commented on a memo from Hal Pawley, Airport Manager, explaining that the trees cleared for the Sawyer North Access Road Project were unmarketable. Comm. Bergdahl disagreed. Louisiana Pacific can now use trees as small as three inches in diameter and many of the trees in the burning piles were up to a foot in diameter.

Comm. Bergdahl pointed out the same contractor is doing both road construction projects on M-94 and M-553 to KI Sawyer. It is very expensive to move equipment from project to project. To get the most benefit from our tax dollars it is best that these projects are done simultaneously. The projects will soon be over and the benefit of good roads to Sawyer far outweighs the 15 minute inconvenience created by the construction.

Scott Erbisch, Director of Human Resources and Risk Management, noted that he received a call from MDOT. The M-94 pavement project will be done by the end of this week. The M-553 mill working and paving will be done in approximately two weeks.


There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

David J. Roberts
Marquette County Clerk
MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting, Tuesday, September 19, 2000, 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 SEPTEMBER 5, 2000.
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:
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   Amend the EDC Bylaws from the Office of the Great Seal.
   b. Report of Findings of On-Sight Evaluation of the Marquette County Youth Home (Youth
   Home Received an A Rating).
10. ACTION ITEMS:
   a. Claims and Accounts
   b. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve the Health Department Fee Schedules
   c. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve the Resolution for the Final 911
      Service Plan Administrative Findings.
   d. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve an Unmetered Electrical Cost
      Agreement with AFBCA for KI Sawyer.
   e. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve an Agreement for Engineering
   f. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve a Contract Agreement with the
      Michigan Department of Transportation for an Airport Awareness Grant.
   g. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve the Lease/Purchase for Sawyer
      Building 503 with the Michigan State Missions Board of the National Association of Free
      Will Baptists.
   h. Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Approve a Request by Forsyth Township
      Emergency Medical Services and Police Department for Various Personal Property Items
      from KI Sawyer.
11. LATE ADDITIONS:
    a.
    b.
    c.
12. PUBLIC COMMENT. (time limit 20 minutes total)
13. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS, STAFF COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.
14. ADJOURNMENT.