

The Marquette County Board of Commissioners met as a Committee of the Whole on Thursday, September 28, 1989 at 5:30 p.m. in Room 231 of the Henry A. Skewis Annex, Marquette, MI.

Chairperson Corkin called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken: Present: Comm. Arsenault, Comm. Bays, Comm. DeFant, Comm. Seppanen and Comm. Corkin. Absent: None.

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

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

The Committee took under consideration the Humane Society Budget. Caron Christopherson, Humane Society Director, Reva Laituri, Linda Roncaglione, Gloria Bigelow, Robert Sharp, Angie Allen and Bob Wollney, Humane Society Committee Members, were in attendance. Caron Christopherson, Director, distributed budget figures and long range plans for the Society. Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, distributed written material containing recommendations for short-term and long-term budgeting. Administrator Aloia reviewed the recommendations: a) an offer from Terry Thompson, CUPPAD Representative, to evaluate the financial condition of the Humane Society, and do a confidential business plan; b) use of part-time help from the County Employment Program; c) bid out contractual services with local veterinarians; d) re-evaluate the use of telemarketing for fund raisers; and e) various other methods to increase annual revenues.

It was suggested by the Committee of the Whole that a letter be written to all 22 units of government requesting assistance at the rate of \$1.00 per capita to operate the Humane Society. There will be a meeting of the Marquette County Townships Association on October 25, 1989 at 7:30 p.m., Negaunee Township Community Center, and the Committee urged Humane Society Members to attend. This would be an opportunity for the Humane Society and Townships to discuss the problem of delinquent township animal service bills and discuss problems facing the Society.

It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Arsenault and unanimously carried that Staff be directed to write a letter to Rep. Dominic Jacobetti explaining the Marquette County Humane Society problems and request State assistance.

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

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret A. O'Neill

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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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1. ROLL CALL.
2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES. (None).
3. PUBLIC COMMENT.
4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.
5. Humane Society Budget
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8. PUBLIC COMMENT.
9. ANNOUNCEMENTS.
10. ADJOURNMENT.