

The Marquette County Board of Commissioners met as a Committee of the Whole on Tuesday, November 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: Present: Comm. Arsenault, Comm. Bays, Comm. DeFant, Comm. Seppanen and Comm. Corkin. Absent: None.

It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Seppanen and unanimously carried that the minutes of the Executive/IGR Committee meeting and the Finance/Personnel Committee meeting held on November 13, 1989 be approved.

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

It was moved by Comm. Bays, seconded by Comm. Seppanen and unanimously carried that the agenda be approved with the following Late Addition, a District Court request for a budget transfer, and that this Late Addition be placed on the agenda as item 5a).

It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Seppanen and unanimously carried that Claims and Accounts for the period November 9, 1989 through November 22, 1989 in the amount of \$724,967.67 be approved and ordered paid.

The Committee took under consideration a request from the 96th District Court to transfer unexpended funds from Account #245-90-901.00-977.50 to the Ishpeming District Court Improvements Fund. District Court Judge, James M. Collins, was present to discuss the transfers with the Committee and answer questions. It was moved by Comm. DeFant, seconded by Comm. Seppanen and unanimously carried that the request of the District Court to transfer funds be approved, and further that it be taken to the County Board Meeting immediately after the Committee of the Whole Meeting for final consideration.

The Committee considered a sample contract of the Marquette County Humane Society with the various townships. David Payant, Civil Counsel, explained that the sample contract is only for Commissioner's information. Mr. Payant is in the process of drafting a contract for the County Board's consideration at a future meeting. No action is required at this time.

The Committee took under consideration a request for the County Board to approve a Resolution Authorizing Submission of an Application to the EDA for the Funding of the Joint Water Supply Project, Cities of Negaunee and Ishpeming. Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, pointed out it is basically the same resolution that was adopted in 1988, however the groundwater in the Sands Plains area was determined to be unacceptable for the water supply. A new source has been identified, and the application process must be completed again. It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Arsenault and unanimously carried that the Committee of the Whole recommend the County Board approve the Authorizing Resolution to Submit an EDA Public Works Application Grant for \$1 million dollars for the Cities of Negaunee and Ishpeming Joint Water Supply Project.

The Committee considered a memo from the County Natural Resources Commission regarding funding for the Marquette Soil & Water Conservation District. During the FY 1990 budget process, the County Board directed the \$9,000.00 appropriation be taken from the County's Forestry Fund, and the matter overseen by the NRC. The Soil & Water Conservation District requested \$12,000.00 for 1990, however the NRC will provide them with the \$9,000.00 appropriation, the same as last year, as directed by the County Board. The NRC however, recommended that future appropriations to the Soil & Water Conservation District, be budgeted by the County Board from the General

Fund. It was moved by Comm. DeFant, seconded by Comm. Arsenault and unanimously carried that the Committee of the Whole recommend the County Board direct the NRC to complete the transfer of the \$9,000.00 appropriation to the Soil & Water Conservation District from the Forestry Fund as intended, and in the future, the NRC continue to provide the annual funding to the Soil & Water Conservation District from the Forestry Fund.

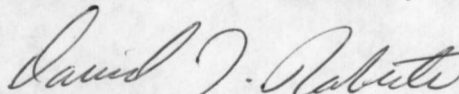
The Committee considered an alternative to styrofoam cups. Ron Koshorek, Resource Management/Development Director, in a memo, indicated that Marquette County uses about 10,000 styrofoam cups per year, at a cost of approximately \$145.00. Although the switching from styrofoam to paper cups would result in little change in local landfill operations, the County Board felt that it would be an important gesture showing support for environmental concerns and demonstrating a future interest in recycling. It was moved by Comm. Seppanen, seconded by Comm. Arsenault and unanimously carried that the Committee of the Whole recommend the County Board switch from purchasing styrofoam cups to paper cups.

The Committee took under consideration a memo from the National Association of Counties regarding changes proposed by HUD Secretary, Jack Kemp, targeting Community Development Block Grant Programs. Dennis Aloia, County Administrator, had reviewed the information provided by NACo, and believes under Kemp's proposals Community Development Block Grants will be directed more towards the large Urban areas with concentrations on low income people where housing may be inadequate. This would divert money for economic development projects away from places like Marquette County. In the past, Marquette County has benefited from Community Block Grant Programs, for example Marquette Mountain and Diesel Fleet came through the CDBG Program. It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. DeFant and unanimously carried that the Committee of the Whole recommend the County Board oppose both the Senate and House Banking Committees Legislation, S.B. 565 and H.R. 1180, by letter; and further that Commissioners be urged to call their Congressman and express their opposition to these legislations.

Chairperson Corkin opened the meeting for public comment. Andrea Vigi, District Manager for the Soil & Water Conservation District, was present and expressed her concern that the NRC does want to fund the Soil & Water Conservation District from the Forestry Fund. She asked where the funding for the Soil & Water Conservation District would be coming from. The Committee assured her that the County Board is directing the NRC to continue funding the Soil & Water Conservation District from the Forestry Fund. There being no further public comment, Chairperson Corkin closed this portion of the meeting.

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

Respectfully submitted,



David J. Roberts
Marquette County Clerk

MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Tuesday, November 28, 1989, 5:30 p.m.
Room 231, Henry A. Skewis Annex, Marquette, MI

1. ROLL CALL.
2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES of the Executive/IGR Committee Meeting, and the Finance/Personnel Committee Meeting held on November 13, 1989.
3. PUBLIC COMMENT.
4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.
5. Review of Claims and Accounts.
6. ^{mb} Draft Contract for Marquette County Humane Society and Townships.
7. Resolution for EDA Grant for Joint Ishpeming - Negaunee Water Supply Project.
8. Marquette/Alger Soil & Water Conservation District Special Appropriation.
9. Alternative to styrofoam cups.
10. NACo Alert: Opposing restrictions proposed by HUD Secretary to Community Development Block Grant Programs (CDBG).
11. *District Court Transfer*
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14. PUBLIC COMMENT.
15. ANNOUNCEMENTS.
16. ADJOURNMENT.

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