

It was moved by Comm. Joseph, seconded by Comm. Nordeen, and unanimously carried by voice vote that the agenda be approved with the following change: Item 10m) 2005 Friend of the Court **and Family Support** Cooperative Program Reimbursement Contract.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Chairperson Corkin commenced the Public Hearing regarding the proposed use of Community Development Block Grant Funds to provide assistance to West Branch Township in their efforts to take over operations of the Fitness Center at the former K. I. Sawyer Air Force Base. He stated that Marquette County Economic Development Corporation Revolving Loan Funds of \$75,000 would be granted to West Branch Township to be used for working capital in their effort to operate the Fitness Center. The funds were set aside per direction from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation for projects at K. I. Sawyer.

Chairperson Corkin advised the public in attendance of the rules and procedures set forth and asked if there was any comment from the public. None was forthcoming.

It was moved by Comm. Tuominen, seconded by Comm. Nordeen, and unanimously carried by voice vote that the County Board close the public hearing and adopt the following Authorizing Resolution to provide assistance to West Branch Township in their efforts to take over operations of the Fitness Center at the former K. I. Sawyer Air Force Base.

**MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, \$75,000 is to be provided as grant funds to West Branch Township for operation of the Fitness Center at the former K. I. Sawyer Air Force Base in Marquette County, from the Marquette County Economic Development Corporation Revolving Loan Fund; and

WHEREAS, the West Branch Township Fitness Center project is consistent with the Marquette County Economic Development Corporation Revolving Loan Fund Plan; and,

WHEREAS, at least 51% of the beneficiaries of the West Branch Township Fitness Center project would be low and moderate income; and,

WHEREAS, no project costs will be incurred prior to a formal grant award, completion of the environmental review procedures and formal, written authorization to incur costs is received from Infrastructure Finance; and;

NOW THEREOFRE BE IT RESOLVED that the Marquette County Board of Commissioners does authorize submittal of the Program Income Project Review Form for the West Branch Township Fitness Center project and does authorize Gerald O. Corkin to sign this resolution and all other documents relating to said form, on behalf of the Marquette County Board of Commissioners.

***Gerald O. Corkin, Chairman
Marquette County Board of Commissioners***

PRIVILEGED COMMENT

Todd Nagel, Treasurer, Economic Development Corporation for the County of Marquette, presented an EDC update and highlighted the following:

- Revolving Loan Fund of nearly \$1 million dollars
- EDC Loan Fund leverages \$5.8 million in private investment and \$1.3 million in owner equity
- Current loans assisting Marquette County businesses
 - 10 loans for business startup
 - 10 loans for expansion/retention
- Loan Fund supports 445 jobs throughout Marquette County

- Loan portfolio currently earning an average of 5.27 percent with half of the interest earned returned to the Revolving Loan Fund and the other half used to cover administrative expenses
- Current loans are secured with: fixed assets – 78%; working capital – 22%
- Invested \$200,000 in Negaunee Township to redevelop former Pellestar site resulting in 16 jobs with a commitment to create 54 more jobs in 2005 and new infrastructure for residents and future development.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

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

- Memo regarding School Inspection Authority.
- Public Services Commission Notice of Hearing: CBeyond COMMUNICATIONS, LLC.
- Memo to Tom Friggins, Regional Manager, Michigan Iron Industry Museum, regarding Construction of a Scenic Entrance Drive and an Outdoor Trail System.

ACTION ITEMS

It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Cihak, and unanimously carried by voice vote that the County Board approve Action Item 10a, 10b, 10c, 10d, 10e, 10f, 10g, 10h, 10i, 10j, 10k, and 10m as follows:

10a) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to Adopt the following Resolution for Changing MERS Benefits for Marquette County Health Department Nurses:

***MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES’ RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF MICHIGAN
RESOLUTION FOR CHANGING MERS BENEFITS***

In accordance with the MERS Plan Document of 1996, the Marquette County Health Department 5202 adopts the following benefits for: Michigan Nurses Association.

A “division” is defined as an employee or group of employees covered by the same benefit programs and the same employee contribution program. Each division has a specific MERS number and name, such as “Div. 10, General Admin.,” and is part of a Reporting Unit, such as “01.”

Supporting Supplemental Valuation is dated July 21, 2004

BENEFIT MULTIPLIER

From B3 To B4 Effective Date 01/01/2005

Provisions for Earlier Normal Retirement

X F55/15 Effective Date 01/01/2005

EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION RATE RETIREES ADDITIONAL BENEFITS AFFECTING FUTURE

New Rate 2.0% X FAC 3 X V-10

Effective Date 01/01/2005

I CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE WAS ADOPTED BY THE MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON THE 7TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2004

***Gerald O. Corkin, Chairperson
Marquette County Board of Commissioners***

10b) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve the purchase of software from Core Technology and purchase the required hardware to provide LEIN access for the Sheriff’s Department, Marquette City Police, and Northern Michigan Public Safety, with the costs of the system to be amortized and prorated to each agency based on usage.

10c) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve the distribution of the proposed Marquette County Housing Plan for review and comment to the Planning Commission of each City and Township located within and contiguous to the County, the Regional Planning Commission, each County Planning Commission contiguous to the County and each public utility company owning and railroad company owning or operating a public utility or railroad within the County by the Planning Commission and adopt the following resolution which asserts the right of the Board to approve or reject the final Housing Plan as follows:

RESOLUTION

MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVES DISTRIBUTION OF THE MARQUETTE COUNTY HOUSING PLAN AND THE MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WILL ACT AS THE ADOPTING AUTHORITY WHEN IT IS TIME TO ADOPT THE MARQUETTE COUNTY HOUSING PLAN FOR THE COUNTY OF MARQUETTE, MICHIGAN

WHEREAS, recent amendments to Michigan Public Act 282 of 1945 (being the County Planning Act) require new procedures for County Plan adoption that lead to a well planned, coordinated and zoned county;

WHEREAS, based on the requirements of the act, the Marquette County Board of Commissioner must approve distribution of the draft Marquette County Housing Plan for review by the required entities;

WHEREAS, entities receiving the Marquette County Housing Plan for Marquette County have 65 days to review and comment on the plan;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Marquette County Board of Commissioners hereby approve the distribution of the Housing Plan for Marquette County, Michigan for review and comment. Furthermore, the Marquette County Board of Commissioners hereby agrees to be the adopting authority for the Marquette County Housing Plan when the plan has exceeded the 65 day period for review and comment required by the act.

*Gerald O. Corkin, Chair
Marquette County Board of Commissioners*

10d) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve the Fuel Depot Agreement and authorize the County Administrator to execute the Agreement.

10e) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve release of the personal guarantee of Michael and Amy Valle on the IRP Loan to Stop N' Shop Convenience Store.

10f) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve the following Resolution for the Airport Awareness Grant:

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTIN OF THE CONTRACT AGREEMENT BY THE MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MARQUETTE, MICHIGAN, AND THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING FEDERAL AND STATE AID FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF SAWYER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, UNDER SPONSOR CONTRACT NO. 2004-0489.

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

Section I. That the Board of Commissioners of Marquette County, Michigan shall enter into a Contract Agreement for the advertising and/or marketing of Sawyer International Airport, and that such Contract Agreement shall be as set forth hereinafter;

Section II. That the Chairperson of 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.

10g) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to award the Heat Conversion Bid for Building 601 and 850 to Dressler Mechanical for a total bid of \$446,000.

10h) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to authorize acceptance of a Michigan Community Development Block Grant for B3 Computers Loan project and approval of the loan document, including transferring responsibility for repayment of the grant funds to the company if job creation and income requirements are not met.

10i) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to authorize Notice of the award of Phase II Construction of the ARFF/SRE Building to Premeau Construction in the amount of \$7,298,000 and authorize the Board Chair to execute the necessary documents with the Federal Aviation Administration. Resolution follows:

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF THE CONTRACT AGREEMENT BY THE MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MARQUETTE, MICHIGAN, AND THE BUREAU OF AERONAUTICS OF THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, AND THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION, FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING FEDERAL AND STATE AID FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF SAWYER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, UNDER GRANT AGREEMENT NO: 3-26-0153-1604

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

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

Section II. That the Chairperson of 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.

10j) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to authorize acceptance of Michigan Department of Transportation Air Service Grant. Resolution follows:

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF THE CONTRACT AGREEMENT BY THE MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MARQUETTE, MICHIGAN, AND THE MICHIGAN DEPARTEMNT OF TRANSPORTATION, FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING STATE AID FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF SAWYER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, UNDER SPONSOR CONTRACT NO. 2004-0304.

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

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

Section II. That the Chairperson of 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.

10k) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve the following Resolution and FAA Military Airport Program Grant Agreement and authorize the Board Chair to sign the Grant Agreement, provide the official seal of the County, and authorize signature by Civil Counsel:

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF THE GRANT AGREEMENT BY THE MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MARQUETTE, MICHIGAN, AND THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION, FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING FEDERAL AID FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF SAWYER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, UNDER FEDERAL PROJECT NO. 3-26-0153-1504.

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

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

Section II. That the Chairperson of Marquette County Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Grant 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 Grant Agreement referred to herein shall be as attached.

10m) Administrator's Recommendation to approve the 2005 Friend of the Court and Family Support Cooperative Reimbursement Program Contract.

ACTION ITEMS (cont.)

10l) The County Board considered a Committee of the Whole Recommendation to direct staff to send a notice to Telkite formally advising it of its breach of the Agreement.

It was moved by Comm. Bergdahl, seconded by Comm. Cihak, and carried on a roll call vote 5 Ayes (Comm. Bergdahl, Comm. Cihak, Comm. Joseph, Comm. Nordeen, and Comm. Wallace) to 4 Nays (Comm. Arsenault, Comm. Coyne, Comm. Tuominen, and Comm. Corkin) that the County Board table the Committee of the Whole Recommendation to September 21, 2004.

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

There being no further business to come before the County Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:21 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Connie M. Branam
Marquette County Clerk