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The Marquette County Board of Commissioners held their Regular Meeting on Tuesday, September 18, 2007, at 6:00 P.M., in Room 231 of the Henry A. Skewis Annex, 234 West Baraga Avenue, Marquette, Michigan.

Chairperson Corkin called the meeting to order. Present: Comm. Bergdahl, Comm. Cihak, Comm. Heikkila, Comm. Joseph, Comm. Pellow, Comm. Struck, Comm. Wallace, and Comm. Corkin. Absent and Excused: Comm. Arsenault.

A Salute to the Flag was given followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

It was moved by Comm. Wallace, seconded by Comm. Cihak, and unanimously carried by voice vote that the minutes of the County Board of Commissioners Regular meeting held on Tuesday, September 4, 2007 and the Board of Commissioners Special Meeting held on September 7, 2007 be approved.

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

It was moved by Comm. Pellow, seconded by Comm. Joseph, and unanimously carried by voice vote that Claims and Accounts for the period September 8, 2007 through September 14, 2007 in the amount of \$307,148.47, and bi-weekly payroll for the period ending September 14, 2007 in the amount of \$595,416.40 be approved.

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

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

It was moved by Comm. Pellow, seconded by Comm. Heikkila and unanimously carried by voice vote that the following Informational Item be accepted and placed on file:

- a. Communication from the Lake Superior Community Partnership Announcing *Marquette County Vision*.

ACTION ITEMS

It was moved by Comm. Wallace, seconded by Comm. Pellow and unanimously carried by voice vote that Action Items 10a, 10b, 10c, 10d, 10e and 10f be approved as follows:

10a) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to support County participation in MSHDA's PIP PLUS home improvement funding and authorize the Board Chair to sign the following resolution.

***RESOLUTION FOR
PIP PLUS FUNDING***

WHEREAS, Marquette County is interested in continuing efforts to provide affordable housing opportunities for its low and very low income residents;

WHEREAS, Marquette County Board of Commissioners recognize Marquette County is participating in the MSHDA Property Improvement Program (PIP) funding;

WHEREAS, Marquette County Board of Commissioners desire to use PIP Plus Funding, a new funding source from MSHDA with PIP and CDBG funds;

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WHEREAS, Said Board of Commissioners understand that MSHDA will pay administration of 10% or up to \$2,000 administration for each PIP Plus loan processed in Marquette County;

WHEREAS, Said Board of Commissioners understand that MSHDA would require the PIP Plus funding draws to be requested through Roscommon County;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Marquette County Board of Commissioners authorize Dotty Lewis, their Housing Program Coordinator, to administer PIP-Plus funds partnership with Roscommon County.

*Adopted this 18th day of September, 2007
Gerald O.Corkin Chairperson
Marquette County Board of Commissioners*

10b) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to accept the G.R.E.A.T. Grant and authorize the Board Chair to authorize the necessary documentation.

10c) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve the agreements for services by Mead & Hunt (professional engineering, consulting and planning services at Sawyer) at a total of \$49,090.00, and authorize the Board Chair and the County Clerk to sign all copies of the agreements.

10d) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve the Contract Agreement for the Phase-2 construction of the ARFF/SRE Building at Sawyer International Airport and to allow for the design-only work to begin for improvements to the Runway 1/19 Runway Safety Area, and further that the following Resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION 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. 2004-0581/A-1

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.

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10e) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve and authorize the Board Chair to sign the

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Agreements with UPCAP for Senior Services Funding.

10f) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve sub-contracting the UPCAP dollars to the Senior Centers based on the following funding formula:

Forsyth Senior Center	\$ 9,434.00
Ishpeming Senior Center	\$ 19,808.00
Marquette Senior Center	\$ 26,776.00
Negaunee Senior Center	\$ 9,008.00
 Total	 \$ 65,026.00

ACTION ITEMS CON'T.

10g) The County Board considered a memo from Sue Vercoe, Finance Manager, regarding Aging Services Funding. Ms. Vercoe, Finance Manager, was present and explained that at the last meeting the Aging Services Advisory Committee, a recommendation was made to allocate additional funding to the Senior Centers in the 2008 budget. The source of funding would be the dollars previously used for administration of the Respite and Home Care Assisted programs. The recommendation was to allocate those funds to the centers as part of an incremental plan to bring the senior center funding back into formula recommended by the Office of Services to the Aging. Three of the four centers would receive funding under this recommendation: Ishpeming \$3,295.00; Marquette \$30,947.00; Negaunee \$6,780.00, for a total of \$41,022.00.

The committee also discussed the possibility of allocating millage funds for RSVP's medical transportation program. No decision was made, the committee requested additional information regarding the RSVP budget and a presentation by the RSVP Program Manager at the next committee meeting in October. County support in the amount of \$20,000.00-\$25,000.00 has been requested. There are funds available in the 2007 budget if the Board wants to fund this request.

The senior center directors have expressed concern that the millage allocations in the recommended budget for 2008 would provide funding at a level less than the amount received in 2007 because of the special allocations that were approved in 2007. Because of the reductions in county administrative cost there would be sufficient funds available to again provide for a special allocation of \$25,000.00 to the senior centers in 2008. If allocated by funding formula the allocations would be: Forsyth \$3,627.00; Ishpeming \$7,616.00; Marquette \$10,294.00; Negaunee \$3,463.00.

Mrs. Vercoe further explained that if both the advisory committee's recommendation and the special allocation are approved, the funding to each center for 2008 would exceed the amount allocated in 2007. Forsyth 4.75% increase, Ishpeming 7.22% increase, Negaunee 17.13% increase, and Marquette 24.97% increase.

It was moved by Comm. Wallace, seconded by Comm. Pellow, and unanimously carried by voice vote that the County Board:

- Amend the 2008 budget to allocate \$41,022.00 to the Senior Centers for senior services as follows: Ishpeming \$3,295.00; Marquette \$30,947.00; and Negaunee \$6,780.00; for a total of \$41,022.00.
- Amend the 2007 budget in the amount of \$20,000.00 for the RSVP medical transportation program;
- Amend the 2008 budget for a special allocation of \$25,000.00 to the senior centers as follows: Forsyth \$3,627.00; Ishpeming \$7,616.00; Marquette \$10,294.00; Negaunee \$3,463.00.

Commissioners commended Ms. Vercoe for all she has done with the Aging Services Advisory Committee and services to the aging.

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

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS, STAFF COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairperson Corkin briefly addressed the State Budget. He stated the State is no further along than it was three months ago.

Comm. Joseph updated the County Board regarding the Road Commission meeting that was held on September 17, 2007.

Comm. Cihak announced the good news with AMR flying between Marquette and Milwaukee starting in December.

There being no further business to come before the County Board, the meeting adjourned at approximately 6:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Connie M. Branam
Marquette County Clerk