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The Marquette County Board of Commissioners held their Regular Meeting on Tuesday, September 4, 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. Arsenault, Comm. Bergdahl, Comm. Cihak, Comm. Heikkila, Comm. Joseph, Comm. Pellow, Comm. Struck, Comm. Wallace, and Comm. Corkin. Absent: None.

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, August 22, 2007 be approved.

Chairperson Corkin opened the meeting for public comment. James Gallant, Skandia, was present and spoke regarding Friends of the Children and Pathways.

It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Pellow, and carried by voice vote 8 Ayes to 1 Abstention (Comm. Bergdahl) that Claims and Accounts for the period August 25, 2007 through August 31, 2007 in the amount of \$93,756.56, including Check #86295 payable to Bergdahl's in the amount of \$11.00 (Affidavit of Disclosure follows), and bi-weekly payroll for the period ending August 27, 2007 in the amount of \$583,358.63 be approved.

AFFIDAVIT OF DISCLOSURE  
PURSUANT TO MCL 15.323(2)(a)

COUNTY OF MARQUETTE )  
 )SS  
STATE OF MICHIGAN )

Charles Bergdahl, a Marquette County Commissioner, being duly sworn, hereby submits this Affidavit pursuant to the provisions of MCL 15.323(2)(a):

1. The Final Disbursement List submitted for approval at this September 4, 2007 meeting of the County Board of Commissioners includes Check No. 86295, dated August 31, 2007, payable to Bergdahl's, Inc. in the amount of \$11.00, in payment for Community Correction supplies;
2. I hereby disclose that I have a personal financial interest in Bergdahl's, Inc., which is as follows:  
  
90% Shareholder
3. I hereby certify that any direct benefit I personally will receive from this payment to Bergdahl's Inc. will be less than \$250.00, and will be less than 5% of the total payment of \$11.00.

Dated this 4<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2007.

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Charles Bergdahl

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

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

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

- a. Communication from the State of Michigan Department of History, Arts and Libraries regarding Reappointment of Gerald Corkin by Governor Granholm to the Michigan Iron Industry Museum Advisory Board.
- b. Communication from Thomas L. Baldini, District Director for Congressman Stupak, to Marvin Ruspakka, Humtoldt Township Supervisor, regarding the ELF Site.

**ACTION ITEMS**

It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Bergdahl and unanimously carried by voice vote that Action Items 10a and 10b be approved as follows:

10a) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to direct the Building Code Administrator to proceed to see whether enforcement action can be taken to secure the school property, follow up with the Health Department, and notify Ely Township, Tilden Township, and Ishpeming Township as to the situation of the Diorite School.

10b) Committee of the Whole Recommendation to approve the UPPCO Easement Agreement, with a one-dollar cost to UPPCO, and to authorize the Chairman to sign the Agreement.

**CLOSED SESSION**

Chairperson Corkin declared a brief recess to clear Commission Chambers.

It was moved by Comm. Wallace, seconded by Comm. Arsenault and carried on a roll call vote 9 Ayes (Comm. Arsenault, Comm. Bergdahl, Comm. Cihak, Comm. Heikkila, Comm. Joseph, Comm. Pellow, Comm. Struck, Comm. Wallace, and Comm. Corkin) to 0 Nays that the County Board go into Closed Session to discuss pending litigation – County of Marquette v. Carr and County of Marquette v. B3 Computers, Inc.

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CLOSED SESSION  
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The County Board came back into open session.

It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Pellow and unanimously carried by voice vote that the Board of Commissioners accept the recommendation from Civil Counsel regarding Bankruptcy Litigation with Bill Carr and authorize action as recommended.

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

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**COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS, STAFF COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Comm. Arsenault stated he will be in Lansing for a MEDC meeting on September 18<sup>th</sup> when there also will be hearings held regarding Kennecott. He stated if the Board wished he would stay an extra day and testify on behalf of Marquette County. He would like direction from the Board if that is their wish.

There being no further business to come before the County Board of Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at approximately 6:40 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janice R. Mason  
Deputy County Clerk