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The Marquette County Board of Commissioners met in Special Session on Friday, September 7, 2007, at 10:00 A.M., in the Circuit Courtroom, Marquette County Courthouse, Marquette, Michigan.

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

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

There were no minutes for approval.

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

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

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

There were no informational items for approval.

ACTION ITEMS

10a) The County Board considered a USDOT/FAA Grant Offer. Keith Kaspari, Airport Manager, was present and explained that earlier this past winter, Airport Staff submitted an application to the FAA for a three (3) year extension in the Military Airports Program for Fiscal Years 2007, 2008, and 2009.

Mr. Kaspari announced that on Tuesday, September 4, 2007, Staff received notification from the Offices of Senators Levin and Stabenow, and on Wednesday from Congressman Stupak regarding funding for FY 2007 Projects. Staff is awaiting the arrival of USDOT/FAA Grant No: 3-26-0153-2407, at \$2,567,366.00 for the following projects:

- Expansion and improvement of the Passenger Terminal-Area Parking Lots.
Total approximate funding available: \$1,500,000.00

FAA:	\$1,425,000.00
Marquette County:	\$ 75,000.00
- Rehabilitation of Hangar (Building) 402 (Phase I Design, and begin Phase II Construction)
Total approximate funding available: \$652,512.00

FAA:	\$ 619,886.00
Marquette County:	\$ 32,626.00
- Replacement of the Heating System in Hangar 665 (American Eagle).
Total approximate funding available: \$300,000.00

FAA:	\$ 285,000.00
Marquette County:	\$ 15,000.00
- Installation of Main Aircraft Door Safety Systems for all seven 600-Series Hangars.
Total approximate funding available: \$250,000.00

FAA:	\$ 237,480.00
Marquette County:	\$ 12,500.00

Mr. Kaspari explained that FAA funding at approximately \$2,567,366.00 will be supplemented with Marquette County's 5.0% sponsor match at \$135,126.00, and will be funded with the remaining sales proceeds from the former Negaunee Airport (\$37,250.00), and approximately \$30,312.00 from Sawyer's Stabilization

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account, for a total of \$135,126.00. MDOT will be providing 2.50% (\$67,562.00) funding assistance as in previous projects.

Mr. Kaspari recommends the County Board approve acceptance of the Grant Offer between the USDOT/FAA and Marquette County.

Commissioners, Mr. Kaspari and Mr. Erbisch, engaged in a brief discussion regarding the Grant. They discussed the various projects, questions regarding the parking, Hangar 402, and the door safety systems. Mr. Kaspari explained that it is an exciting project and anticipates all projects will be completed by November 1, 2008.

Chairperson Corkin commended Senators Levin and Stabenow for their efforts in lobbying for this funding. He stated that MAP funding continues to be significant to Marquette County in developing a world class airport.

It was moved by Comm. Cihak, seconded by Comm. Struck, and unanimously carried by voice vote that the County Board approve acceptance of the Grant Offer between the USDOT/FAA and Marquette County, and authorize Chairperson Corkin to sign the documents where indicated, and direct Civil Counsel to sign where indicated on the Certificate of Sponsor Attorney; and further that the County Clerk be authorized to execute the copies of the following Resolution, apply a County Seal to all copies of the Grant Offer and Resolutions, provide signature and return all documents to Mr. Kaspari, Airport Manager, to forward to the FAA. (Due to time constraints at the Airport’s District Office in Detroit, the FAA is requesting the Grant be received by Marquette County with a FAX copy to their office prior to the close of business on Monday, September 10, 2007.

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. 3-26-0153-2407.

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.

Adopted this 7th day of September, 2007
Gerald O. Corkin, Chairperson
Marquette County Board of Commissioners

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

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COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS, STAFF COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Steve Powers, County Administrator, thanked the County Board for their cooperation in scheduling today's special meeting.

There being no further business to come before the County Board, the meeting adjourned at approximately 10:15 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Connie M. Branam
Marquette County Clerk