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**REGULAR MEETING – TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2020 – 6:00 P.M. – COMMISSIONERS ROOM 231, HENRY A. SKEWIS ANNEX, MARQUETTE, MI 49855.**

**1. CALL TO ORDER – SALUTE TO THE FLAG – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

Call to Order by Chairperson Gerald O. Corkin at 6:00 p.m. – Room 231 Henry A. Skewis Annex, Marquette. Salute to the Flag followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

- Present: Comm. DePetro, Comm. Derocha, Comm. Adamini, Comm. Nordeen, Comm. Alholm, and Chairperson Corkin

**2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

**Board Action:** Comm. Alholm moved to approve the minutes from the Organizational Meeting held on January 7, 2020 with the following correction: (page 9 on the rules of order) adopt rules of order with the addition of a closed session on the agenda. Second by Comm. Nordeen. Motion adopted. (6-0)

**3. PROCLAMATION, PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS**

**4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:**

**Board Action:** Comm. DePetro moved to approve the agenda as presented. Second by Comm. Adamini. Motion adopted. (6-0)

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT:** Chairperson Corkin opened the meeting for public comment

- **Chad Korpi, President United Steel Workers Union**, on behalf of the United Steel Workers we strongly oppose a wage/benefit reduction of the County Mine Inspector.
- **Michael Grons, Union Safety Worker for 4150**, strongly opposes a wage/benefit change to the County Mine Inspector.
- **John Carlson, Mine Inspector**, stated what he accomplished over the 20 years of service as Mine Inspector for the County.
- **Chairperson Corkin** stated the board hasn't discussed any changes in the Mine Inspector pay.
- **Joe Rose**, Union Safety Worker for 4179, Mine Inspector plays an instrumental role in safety awareness throughout the County, opposes any change in wage/benefits.
- **Darlene Allen, League of Women Voters**, announced the next community event, at the Marquette Regional Center an exhibit named "Vote and be counted" this exhibit will be on display January 20 through June 6<sup>th</sup> 2020.
- **Matt Wiese, Prosecutor**, updated the board on the following crime statistics:
  - ✓ Felony Methamphetamine cases 2012 -2019 are on an upward trend from 31 in 2012 to 233 in 2019. Definitely on the rise in Marquette County.
  - ✓ Felony Authorization Rate - 7 year average is 82.78%
  - ✓ Misdemeanor Authorization Rate - 7 year average is 84.22%
  - ✓ Marquette County Prosecutors Office is definitely keeping busy!
- **Jeremy Applekamp, Gwinn**, Business Owner and spoke in support of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment Sanctuary Resolution.
- **Bob Peterson, Delta Co.**, representing the Delta County Gun Owners Association, spoke in support of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment Sanctuary Resolution.
- **Mark Esterline, Ishpeming**, spoke in support of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment Sanctuary Resolution.
- **Ryan Lapensky, Gwinn**, Disabled Veteran spoke in support of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment Sanctuary Resolution.

With no further public comment, Chairperson Corkin closed this portion of the meeting.

**6. REVIEW OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS:**

**Board action:** Comm. Adamini moved to approve the FY2020 re: Claims/Accounts payable to Alger-Delta Co-Op Electric Abstention for Comm. Alholm as she is a Board Member of Alger-Delta Co-Op Electric. Second by Comm. Derocha. Motion adopted (5-0) Abstained: Comm. Alholm

**Board action:** Comm. Derocha moved to approve the total expenditures for the period January 3, 2020 through January 16, 2020 which was \$865,147.62 (this amount does not include check payable to Alger-Delta Co-Op Electric); and Biweekly payroll for the period ending January 11, 2020 which was \$711,468.52. Second by Comm. Nordeen. Motion adopted (6-0)

**Board action:** Comm. Adamini moved to approve check #197009, dated 1/10/20, \$158.98 ~ payable to Alger-Delta Co-Op Electric. Second by Comm. Nordeen. Motion adopted (5-0) Abstained: Comm. Alholm

**7. PUBLIC HEARING**

**8. PRIVILEGED COMMENT**

**9. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

**10. ACTION ITEMS:**

**a. Register of Deeds Automation Fund Request**

**Carla L’Huillier, Register of Deeds**, was present to discuss the Automation Fund Expenditures:

In 2003, MCL 600.2568 was established regarding an automation fund. It reads: “The Register of Deeds shall deposit \$5.00 of the total fee collected for each recording into the automation fund for advanced technology.”

**Proposal:** The money should be used to import all Deeds and Miscellaneous images from the early 1800’s to 1983 and to have all those images microfilmed. These documents were digitized last year and now need to be imported to our software system. Attached is the summary of the media conversion contract. These could then be printed from our software system. The imported documents will also be available for us to back index as time allows.

**Justification:**

1. Current law requires land records to be automated.
2. Although requests for over \$10,000.00 normally are placed on bids, I request that this be waived as Fidlar has been our vendor since 2003 and would be the logical and most efficient.

**Board action:** Comm. DePetro moved to approve documents that have been digitized from 1800’s to 1983 being imported into the software system with Fidlar with a cost of \$97,398.34 monies used from the Automation Fund. Second by Comm. Nordeen. Motion adopted (6-0)

**b. Resolution Affirming Support of Second Amendment Rights**

**Chairperson Corkin read the following Resolution:**

MARQUETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THE BOARD’S SUPPORT OF CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS

At a regular meeting of the Marquette County Board of Commissioners on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of January 2020, the Marquette County Board of Commissioners resolved to support constitutional rights as follows:

WHEREAS, we have been requested to adopt a proposed “Second Amendment Sanctuary County” resolution; and

WHEREAS, our civil counsel has opined that the proposed resolution exceeds our authority to the extent it directs the activities of the Sheriff or Prosecutor; and

WHEREAS, when we assumed office, we all took an oath of office under which we swore to support the constitution of the United States, and the constitution of this State, and to faithfully discharge the duties of this office; and

WHEREAS, support of the constitution of the United States, includes all of its amendments, including the Second Amendment thereto; and

WHEREAS, this Commission and all of its members wish to reaffirm their commitment and promise to support the same.

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby declared by the Marquette County Board of commissioners that this Commission does support and will continue to honor our pledge to support the constitution of the United States as well as the constitution of this State, including all amendments thereto.

**Board action:** Comm. Derocha moved to adopt the resolution affirming the Board’s Support of Constitutional Rights. Second by Comm. DePetro.

**A roll call vote was taken:** Ayes: Comm. Derocha, Comm. Adamini, Comm. Nordeen, Comm. Alholm, Comm. DePetro and Chairperson Corkin. Nays: None. Motion adopted (6-0)

- ❖ Comm. Nordeen questioned Civil Council at the last meeting to come back to the board with an answer on what it means to be a sanctuary county?
- ❖ Civil Council responded this resolution does not make Marquette County a Sanctuary County.

**c. Sugarloaf Mountain Natural Area Recommendation**

**Lauren Luce, Senior Planner** put together the following memo:

Marquette County is currently administering a MDNR Trust grant to make enhancements to Sugarloaf Mountain Natural Area. This component of the project includes the addition of a picnic area with accessible pathway which is comprised of concrete pad for the trash compaction system and the installation of two picnic tables, a bike rack, and a dog waste receptacle. This component also includes that addition of eight interpretive signs along the trail. This project is funded by a MDNR Trust Grant with match allotted from Capital Funds (Forest and Recreation Fund).

A request for proposals was advertised in the Mining Journal, the county website, and at the Builder’s Exchange. The resulting bids were higher than anticipated and a post bid addendum was issued to all bidders modifying the scope of the work, while still meeting the scope requirements of the grant.

**Two bids were received:**

| CONTRACTOR NAME          | TOTAL BID AMOUNT (\$) |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| OBERSTAR INC.            | \$35,500              |
| KIVESTO TREE SERVICE LLC | \$42,500              |

According to the grant agreement, the MDNR must approve the award of contracts. They require the contract to be awarded to the lowest bidder. The state has approved the contract be awarded to Oberstar Inc.

**Board action:** Comm. Alholm moved to award the contract to Oberstar Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$35,500 and authorize the Chair to sign the contract. Second by Comm. Alholm. Motion adopted (6-0)

**d. Consideration of FAA Grant/MDOT Contract Amendment**

**Duane DuRay, Airport Manager**, stated the following: Sawyer International Airport was awarded a Federal Aviation Administration Airport Improvement Program (AIP) Grant during the CY 2018; this grant originally was issued to fund the commercial apron repairs and to purchase a runway snow broom. Due to circumstances relating the bidding documents and alleged restrictive bidding criteria, it became necessary to remove the snow broom from the grant and only fund the commercial apron repairs with the CY 2018 FAA AIP grant. Prior to commencing with the apron project, additional apron work was identified with a minor increase to the apron repair of \$5,952. Below are the revised grant amounts.

|  | Fed        | State     | Local     | Total      |
|--|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| <b>SRE Runway Broom Original:</b>      | \$555,894  | \$30,883  | \$30,883  | \$617,660  |
| <b>SRE Runway Broom Amendment:</b>     | -\$555,894 | -\$30,883 | -\$30,883 | -\$617,660 |
| <b>SRE Runway Broom Revised Total:</b> | \$0        | \$0       | \$0       | \$0        |
| <b>Commercial Apron Original:</b>      | \$113,706  | \$6,317   | \$6,317   | \$126,340  |
| <b>Commercial Apron Amendment:</b>     | \$5,356    | \$298     | \$298     | \$5,952    |
| <b>Commercial Apron Revised Total:</b> | \$119,062  | \$6,615   | \$6,615   | \$132,292  |

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|------------------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| <b>Grant Total</b>           |                  |                |                |                  |
| <b>Original Grant</b>        | \$669,600        | \$37,200       | \$37,200       | \$744,000        |
| <b>Amendment</b>             | -\$550,538       | -\$30,585      | -\$30,585      | -\$611,708       |
| <b>Grant with Amendment:</b> | <b>\$119,062</b> | <b>\$6,616</b> | <b>\$6,615</b> | <b>\$132,292</b> |

This amendment reduces the overall grant by \$611,708 with a reduction of \$550,538 in federal funding. This amount has transferred over to the future years and will be available to be used by Marquette on future AIP projects.

*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 FEDERAL PROJECT NUMBER 3-26-0153-4218/ CONTRACT NO. 2018-0794/A1.*

*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 herinafter;*

*Section II. That Gerald O. Corkin, Chairperson of the Marquette County Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Contract on behalf of the County of Marquette, Michigan, and Linda Talsma, Marquette County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to attest said execution:*

*Section III. That the Contract Agreement referred to herein shall be as attached.*

**Board action:** Comm. Derocha moved to approve the Contract No. 2018-0794/A1 Amendment and the attached MDOT Resolution for Grant No: 3-26-0153-4218. Second by Comm. Alholm.

**A roll call vote was taken:** Ayes: Comm. Derocha, Comm. Adamini, Comm. Nordeen, Comm. Alholm, Comm. DePetro and Chairperson Corkin. Nays: None. Motion adopted (6-0)

**e. Sky West Lease Agreement**

**Duane Duray, Sawyer Director/Airport Manager**, was present to explain: SkyWest Airlines, Inc., one of the two resident air carriers at Sawyer International, utilizes several pieces of ground support equipment (GSE) at the Airport that support the flight operations. With the volume of equipment and the severe weather conditions experienced at Sawyer during the winter months, SkyWest has routinely leased space from Marquette County to house the equipment. Their current location in building 600 is not providing adequate space and SkyWest has requested a larger space. Staff identified a larger space within the same building with the necessary square footage. This location contains 3872 sf of cold storage. There has been little activity for lease opportunities due to location and security requirements, having access to the airside of the airport.

Key provisions of lease:

- 12 month lease effective February 1, 2020 – January 31, 2021
- \$1.50/sf; annual revenue = \$5,808
- Lessee is responsible for all taxes
- Lessee is responsible for electrical costs
- Lessee is responsible for standard County liability insurance coverage requirements

**Board action:** Comm. DePetro moved to approve the lease agreement as noted above between Marquette County and SkyWest Airlines, Inc. for GSE storage space in building 600 and authorize the County Board Chairman to sign the lease agreement. Second by Comm. Alholm. Motion adopted (6-0)

**f. County Recreation Plan 2020-2024**

**Lauren Luce, Senior Planner & Evan Bonsall, Asst. to the County Administrator** put together the following memo: In 2019 the Planning Commission and Resource Management Planning staff began updating the County Recreation Plan. These plans must be updated every 5 years and a current plan kept on file with the Department of Natural Resources in order to maintain County eligibility for various grant programs.

Information gathered was refined into an implementation plan and made available for public review. A Notice of Availability was published in the Mining Journal. The Plan was posted on the County website and hard copies made available at Peter White Public Library and the County Resource Management Department. Public input to the process was solicited through an on-line survey. The public process culminated in a hearing before the Planning Commission on January 8, 2020.

**The plan was amended in 2017, as such; updates to the plan were minor. Key updates include:**

- New Action Program or list of proposed projects, for 2020-2024 (found on page 21).
  - Most 2014-19 Action Program items were completed. 5 were rescheduled.
  - Implementation of Big Bay Harbor Master Plan (\$300,000) from 2025-29.
  - Big Bay Harbor improvements (\$300,000) rescheduled from 2019 to 2020.
  - Sugarloaf trail renovation and new restroom facilities (\$150,000) in 2022.
  - New trail, pedestrian bridge, and sites at Perkins Park (\$150,000) in 2022.
  - Perkins Park cabin renovations (\$100,000) rescheduled from 2020 to 2023.
- An updated accessibility report for County recreation facilities (page 24).
  - Did not access the Honor camp Property or County Forest as in 2013.
  - Accessibility rating declined slightly for Big Bay Harbor, Perkins Park, and Little Trout Lake from 2013 to 2019.
  - Guided additions to the Action Program, including the Perkins Park playground renovation, the accessible all-gender pit toilets proposed for Perkins Park and Little Trout Lake, and barrier-free parking and picnic tables at Big Bay Harbor.
- Updated survey of residents (page 36).
  - 2019 survey results were very similar to 2013 survey results.
  - Parking and restrooms identified as a need at Sugarloaf.
  - Playground upgrades identified as a need at Perkins Park.
  - Big Bay Harbor is used by both boaters and non-boaters.
  - With the exception of Sugarloaf, a lack of awareness seems to be limiting usage of County recreational facilities.
- Added a Big Bay harbor 5-Year Recreation Plan to qualify for additional funding (page 41)
  - A Harbor Recreation Plan was not included in the previous Recreation Plan.
  - Action Program calls for the creation of a Big Bay Harbor Master Plan (\$60,000) in 2021, and implementation of Harbor Master recommendations starting in 2025, with a proposed implementation budget of \$300,000.

**MARQUETTE COUNTY RECREATION PLAN 2020-2024**

WHEREAS, the County of Marquette has undertaken a planning process to determine the recreation and natural resource conservation needs and desires of its residents during a five-year period covering the years 2020 through 2024, and

WHEREAS, the County of Marquette began the process of developing a recreation plan in accordance with the most recent guidelines developed by the Department of Natural Resources and made available to local communities, and

WHEREAS, the public was given a well-advertised opportunity and reasonable accommodations to review the draft plan for a period of at least 30 days for plan, and

WHEREAS, the public hearing was held by the Marquette County Planning Commission on January 8, 2020 to provide an opportunity for all residents of the planning area to express opinions, ask questions, and discuss all aspects of the Marquette County Recreation Plan, and

WHEREAS, the County of Marquette has developed the plan as a guideline for improving recreation and enhancing natural resource conservation, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Marquette County Board of commissioners hereby adopts the Marquette County Recreation Plan 2020-2024.



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**Board action:** Comm. Alholm moved to adopt the Marquette County Recreation Plan 2020-2024 and authorize the Chair to sign a resolution recognizing adoption. Second by Comm. Adamini.

**A roll call vote was taken:** Comm. Alholm, Comm. DePetro, Comm. Derocha, Comm. Adamini, Comm. Nordeen and Chairperson Corkin. Nays: None. Motion adopted (6-0)

**g. Jail/Annex Boiler Retrofit**

**Aaron Karlstrom, Facilities Manager**, was present to discuss: The County Jail and Henry Skewis Annex are heated by a central boiler system. The two Cleaver-Brooks steam firetube boilers were installed in 1972 during the County Jail construction. In the last 2 years both boilers started showing severe signs of wear with internal pressure vessel fractures. Internal fractures are caused by decades of expansion and contraction within the boiler.

The steam distribution piping that runs from the Central Boiler Room to the Jail and Annex Fan Rooms have ruptured in the past due to corrosion. Steam distribution problems within any building will cause the heating system to be disrupted until repaired. This is a big concern as the piping system is buried in concrete walls within the County Jail with no access.

**Phase one** of this project will completely remove all steam distribution piping from service, and remove the two existing Cleaver-Brooks boilers. Three hot water Weil Mclain SVF stainless vertical firetube boilers, along with all pumps and pumping controls, will be installed in the Central Boiler Room. The third boiler will be utilized as a redundancy and will have connections to tie in domestic hot water in the future. Two electric steam boilers will be installed in the Annex and Jail for building humidification.

Competitive Bids were advertised in 3 different locations along with a mandatory pre-bid walk through with interested contractors. The following bids were received and a post bid interview was held with the lowest bidder:

|                            |              |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| Dresslers Mechanical, Inc. | \$458,000.00 |
| Johnson Controls, Inc      | \$644,345.00 |
| Swick Home Services        | \$563,859.00 |
| WDM Enterprises, Inc       | \$560,537.00 |

Marquette County's building controls provider Johnson Controls submitted a proposal directly to the County to control and operate the new boiler equipment for \$48,718.86. Marquette County has a service agreement with Johnson Controls to maintain and upgrade the building automation system that is proprietor to Johnson Controls. Johnson Controls will be providing and installing digital controls (DDC), variable frequency drives, differential pressure sensors, current sensing equipment, and control valves to operate the new boiler equipment efficiently and effectively.

**Phase two** of this project is to retrofit all four major air handlers in the Jail and one in the Annex to DDC.

The existing pneumatic controls on these systems are aged and have been modified over the years making it difficult to operate. This directly affects building comfort and energy conservation measures. Johnson Controls submitted a proposal for this proprietary work for \$53,025.00

A total of \$800,000 from the Public Improvement Fund is budgeted for this work.

**Board action:** Comm. Nordeen moved to award the Phase One project to Dresslers mechanical, Inc for \$458,000 along with authorizing Johnson Controls Inc. to perform \$48,718.86 worth of work to operate and control the new equipment. Not to exceed total project price of \$506,718.86. Also to award the Phase Two project to Johnson Controls to perform digital controls retrofit on major air handlers within the Jail and Annex for the total of \$53,025.00. Second by Comm. Derocha. Motion adopted (6-0)

**h. Airport Zoning Board of Appeals Appointments**

**Linda Talsma, County Clerk**, submitted two applications from Don Kristola & Jason DesParois to fill the two vacancy positions on the Airport Zoning Board of Appeals.

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A motion would be in order to appoint Don Kristola to the Airport Zoning Board of Appeals for a 3 year term ending 12/31/2022

**Board action:** Comm. Alholm moved to approve the appoint Don Kristola & Jason DesParois to serve on the Airport Zoning Board of Appeals for a 3 year term ending 12/31/2022 . Second by Comm. Nordeen. Motion adopted (6-0)

**i. State Land Bank Housing Development Loan Program**

**Anne Giroux, Finance Manager**, was present to explain the following: The Land Bank has been discussing the concept of single family residential development for a number of years as a way to increase tax base on land bank owned lots and provide affordable/work force housing in Marquette County. There has been a state wide discussion among land banks and partner agencies about how to move beyond demolition and blight elimination and switch the focus to using the land bank tools to foster development. Many land banks are already doing this work and attached to this memo are examples of some of those projects. Approximately a year ago, the State Land Bank announced its Housing Development Loan Program as a financing mechanism for land banks and others to achieve some of these development goals. Similarly, MSHDA has unveiled a new program called MSHDA MOD that is allowing non-profit and government agencies to construct modular-built homes in communities that are experiencing a shortage of quality workforce housing. Workforce housing is defined by MSHDA as those families earning less than 120% area median income (for a family of four in Marquette County, 120% AMI = \$83,050). County staff has extensive experience working with MSHDA's housing programs and feels confident that it can work with the Land Bank to implement this program effectively.

The Land Bank has been pursuing acceptance into the MSHDA MOD program. If accepted, MSHDA will fund the construction of one home on Land Bank owned property. The Land Bank in turn will commit to building three additional homes. In order to apply to the program, the Land Bank must show the ability to finance the construction of those three homes. The Land Bank has secured financing from the State Land Bank's Housing Development Loan Program, per the attached term sheet.

**Requirement for County Board Action**

The Land Bank Fast Track Act, Act 258 of 2003 enables Land Banks to borrow money and issue bonds and notes. However, Marquette County Land Bank's bylaws state as follows:

**8.1 Bonding and Borrowing.** Any borrowing of money or issuance of bonds or notes by the Corporation shall be approved by the Marquette County Board of Commissioners.

**Program Implementation Plan**

1. Family is found that wants to purchase home
2. Family is approved for financing
3. Family signs purchase agreement for home
4. Funds drawn from the State Land Bank loan to construct the home
5. Home is sold to the family
6. State Land Bank loan is paid back

Essentially, we would expect a 3-6-month lag between draw down of the funds and repayment of the loan for each home that is built. No funds will be drawn and no repayment will be required unless and until a family has entered into a purchase agreement and is approved for financing. As indicated on page 2 of the loan term sheet, the security/collateral for the loan is the house itself.

**Board action:** Comm. Adamini moved to allow the Marquette County Land Bank Authority to borrow funds from the State Land Bank per the term sheet with final loan documents subject to County Civil Counsel review. Second by Comm. Alholm. Motion adopted (6-0)

**11. LATE ADDITIONS**

**12. PUBLIC COMMENT:** Chairperson Corkin opened the meeting for public comment.

- **Bob Fassbender, Wintergreen Trail**, stated he has 150 signatures on a petition in support of the sanctuary resolution that was presented to the board for review and requested the board make a determination on that resolution tonight.
- **John Kovarik, Negaunee**, requested a vote tonight on the resolution that was proposed to the board.
- **Diane Webber, Gladstone**, gave examples of the need for the passage of the resolution for 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment rights.
- **Ryan Underwood, Skandia**, thanked the board for their support of the County Mine Inspector and also spoke in support of the 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment rights.

**13. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS, STAFF COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- **Comm. DePetro** reminded residents to check on their fire hydrants and keep them clear of snow, thank you for assisting your local Fire Departments & Public Works Departments. A huge thank you goes out to the Public Department Employees and County Employees working 12 hour shifts plowing and working ice control around all of Marquette County keeping Marquette County Safe for All!

**Board action:** Comm. Adamini moved to go into closed session pursuant to MCL 15.268(e) as explained below. Second by Comm. Derocha. A roll call vote was taken: Ayes: Comm. Adamini, Comm. Nordeen, Comm. Alholm, Comm. DePetro, Comm. Derocha and Chairperson Corkin. Nays: None.  
Motion adopted (6-0)

\*\*\*\*\*A 5-Minute Recess was taken to Clear Chambers\*\*\*\*\*

**14. CLOSED SESSION**

- MCL 15.268(e) to conference with counsel to review litigation developments and determine strategy in the Estate of Tucker v. Romback, et al. matter pending Federal District Court for the Western District of Michigan, case no. 2:19-cv-78; and**
- MCL 15.268(e) to conference with counsel to review litigation developments and determine strategy in the Empire Iron Mining Partnership and Cleveland Cliffs Iron Company matter pending in the Michigan Tax Tribunal; and**
- MCL 15.268(c) for purpose of strategy discussion in connection with negotiation of collective bargaining agreements per request of management bargaining team.**

**\*Commissioners came back into Open Session with the following Board action:**

**Board action:** Comm. Nordeen moved to follow staff's recommendation discussed in Closed Session re: Case No. 2:19-cv-78 pending in Federal Court ~ Estate of Tucker v. Romback. Second by Comm. Alholm.  
Motion adopted (6-0)

**15. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the County Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:45 p.m.

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**Tonya Nelson**  
Chief Deputy Clerk

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