
REGULAR MEETING – WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 2019 – 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. Adamini and Chairperson Corkin
- Absent: Comm. Derocha, Comm. Nordeen, Comm. Alholm

**Chairperson Corkin announced with no quorum present this evenings meeting will be a Committee of the Whole with recommendations to the full board - no action will be taken. A Special Meeting will be held on March 12, 2019 to finalize the recommendations from tonight's meeting. The Special Meeting will take place Room 231 at 6:00 PM.*

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Committee of the Whole recommendation: Comm. DePetro moved to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on February 19, 2019. Second by Comm. Adamini. Recommendation was approved to go before the County Board for consideration at the 3-12-2019 Special Meeting.

3. PROCLAMATION, PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS:

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Committee of the Whole Recommendation: Comm. Adamini moved to correct 10i) 2018 Budget Amendments; and add 11a) Consideration to accept MDARD Grant. Second by Comm. DePetro.

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

- **Darlene Allen, League of Women's Voters**, announced next week is Sunshine Week which represents the importance of Open Government (Local, State & Federal) along with FOIA process; access to public records and public meetings. Through the observer corps of the League of Women's Voters. Thanked the board for the postings on the County website (minutes, meetings & agendas). Also, Ms. Allen acknowledged the importance of **Cecelia Brown, Mining Journal writer**, as her role is of great importance to the public as well.
- **Amy Clickner, LSCP CEO**, present to answer any questions on 10b) 2019 LSCP Agreement Recommendation.

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

6. REVIEW OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS:

Committee Recommendation: Comm. Adamini moved to approve of the total expenditures for the period February 15, 2019 through February 28, 2019 which was \$465,298.17; and Bi-weekly payroll for the period ending February 23, 2019 which was \$676,998.08; and Electronic Payments for the period totaling \$30,421.37. Second by Comm. DePetro. Recommendation was approved to go before the County Board for approval at the 3-12-2019 Special Meeting.

7. PUBLIC HEARING: NONE

8. PRIVILEGED COMMENT

a. Airport of the Year Award

Duane DuRay, Airport Manager, was present to read the following:

*Michigan Department of Transportation Office of Aeronautics
Airport of the Year - Air Carrier Airport Category
Is hereby granted to: Sawyer International Airport*

This award is presented in recognition of sustained excellence in contribution to aviation progress in the State of Michigan. In particular, airport manager Duane DuRay is being commended for his generous assistance to the MDOT Office of Aeronautics in their Grant Closeout Improvement Process. In addition to overseeing the complex rehabilitation of runway 1/19 at Sawyer International Airport, Duane provided significant valuable input to MDOT. As a result the primary airports in the State, the FAA, and MDOT will all benefit from the more efficient and effective grant closeout process. Dated: February 21, 2019

** Duane also received a Service Award from the Michigan Department of Transportation Office of Aeronautics**
**Commissioners thanked Duane for his great service as Marquette County Airport Manager!*

Mr. DuRay stated that it was a team effort. Also mentioned a change - Sky West now has implemented an additional flight to/from Detroit; this brings Sawyer up to 4 round trips a day; boarding has been successful with over 40 passengers per flight.

Amy Clickner (LSCP) & Duane DuRay (Airport Manager) both stated that working together with the airlines has been a successful team effort for the Marquette County Community.

b. Sheriff Zybert Monthly Update

Special Operations/Search & Rescue/Dive Team/ 131

- Call out – 3 stranded motorists Forestville; 1 Missing hiker; personal injury snowmobiler; 2 lost snowmobilers; 3 UPPCO workers through the ice; Big Bay 4 missing snowmobilers; well-being check on elderly couple out of propane.
- Polar Roll Bike Race; sled dog race; dive training

Road Patrol

- 7 OWI/OUID; 2 Larceny; 60 Traffic Accidents; 6 Retail Fraud; 2 Criminal Sexual Conduct; 7 Assaults; Civil Papers – Received (253) – Served (193)

Rescue 131

- 6 personal injury accidents; assisted Search & Rescue on a missing person; Sawyer in flight emergency call

Jail:

- February average daily population 128
- Currently: 63 un-sentenced felons; 28 sentenced; 12 un-sentenced misdemeanors; 13 sentenced
- 1 Suicide attempt

9. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- a. **Pathways Community Mental Health – 3rd Annual Walk-A-Mile-In-My-Shoes Rally**
- b. **MAC – 2019 State Priorities**
- c. **Solid Waste Management – Tipping Fees – 10 Year Plan**
- d. **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – Public Notice**
- e. **DEQ Pending Application Report**

Committee Recommendation: Comm. Adamini moved to accept informational items a - e for filing. Second by Comm. DePetro. Recommendation was approved to go before the County Board for approval at the 3-12-2019 Special Meeting.

10. ACTION ITEMS:

- a. **Resolution Supporting HB 4227 – Michigan’s Mining Future**

SUPPORT FOR THE CREATION OF THE COMMITTEE OF MICHIGAN’S MINING FUTURE (HB 4227)

WHEREAS, the mining industry is a vital economic contributor, not just for Upper Peninsula and Marquette County, but for the State of Michigan, and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of Marquette County and the State of Michigan to strengthen and develop sustainable mining practices for the future, and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of House Bill 4227 to create a Committee on Michigan’s Mining Future to ensure a comprehensive plan focused on ferrous, non-ferrous, and aggregate mining industry needs such as infrastructure, transportation, energy, applied research, environmental quality, government policies, taxation, rural development, mining legacy cleanup funds, and communications and public outreach, and

WHEREAS, the proposed committee would be comprised of fifteen members with governor-appointed representatives from diverse areas of industry, state departments, environmental groups, tribal members and labor groups to meet the challenges and take advantage of opportunities for the future.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Marquette Board of Commissioners supports House Bill 4227 in the interest of strengthening and developing the future of Michigan mining practices, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this resolution will be forwarded to all counties in Michigan, the Upper Peninsula Commission for Area Progress, the Michigan Townships Association, and the Michigan Association of Counties, Upper Peninsula legislators, and Governor Whitmer.

Committee Recommendation: Comm. Adamini moved to Support of HB-4227. Second by Comm. DePetro. Recommendation was approved to go before the County Board for approval at the 3-12-2019 Special Meeting.

b. 2019 LSCP Agreement Recommendation

Amy Clickner, LSCP CEO, was present to explain the following: The approved 2019 General Fund budget includes a total of \$52,000 for economic development purposes. Of the \$52,000, the County Board has designated \$5,000 for the 2019 allocation for the Next Michigan Development Superior Trade Zone, \$10,000 for the Marquette County Brownfield, and \$5,000 for the Marquette County EDC. As in past years, the County Board of Commissioners has considered and used the remaining funds towards an economic development agreement with the Lake Superior Community Partnership (LSCP).

The proposed 2019 LSCP Agreement for services is attached for County Board Consideration. This agreement reflects interests noted by previous County Board of Commissioners. Key work areas include focus at Sawyer International Airport and reaching out to Marquette County communities to discuss their economic interests and needs. It further includes language that the LSCP shall comply with all state and county requirements, including, but not limited to, the Uniform Budgeting Act and the County of Marquette General Appropriations Act.

Committee Recommendation: Comm. DePetro approved entering into an Agreement for Services in 2019 with the LSCP; the total cost of the agreement should not exceed \$32,000. Second by Comm. Adamini. Recommendation was approved to go before the County Board for approval at the 3-12-2019 Special Meeting.

c. Air Cargo Landing Signatory Landing Fee Agreement

Duane DuRay, Airport Manager, was present to explain the following: On March 1, 2013 Marquette County entered into a three-year Signatory/Non Signatory Agreement with Ameriflight LLC (UPS) and CSA Air Inc. (Fed-Ex). This granted operational rights, outlined insurance requirements, and defined landing fees for both air cargo companies operations. The Agreement was renewed for another three-year term from March 1, 2016 to March 1, 2019 with an annual 1% increase of the landing fee schedule.

These Agreements are slated to expire on March 2019. Staff has reviewed the agreements and is looking to renew them for three (3) more years with a 1.5% increase annually. Staff feel a 1.5% increase in the landing fee schedules for each succeeding year is appropriate with the slight decline in air cargo over the past couple years and the moderate increase of the Consumer and Producer Price Indexes.

To date, these agreements have generated \$508,784 in landing fees and the revenue over the next three years is estimated at an additional \$269,465:

CY 2019	\$ 88,488
CY 2020	\$ 89,815
CY 2021	\$ 91,162
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$269,465</u>

Committee Recommendation: Comm. Adamini moved to amend the Agreement and authorize the staff to proceed on with final execution between Ameriflight LLC., CSA Air, Inc. and Marquette County. Second by Comm. DePetro. Recommendation was approved to go before the County Board for approval at the 3-12-2019 Special Meeting.

d. State of Michigan Aircraft Rescue & Fire Fighting Grant

Duane DuRay, Airport Manager, was present to explain the following: Sawyer International Airport, as a commercial air service airport, is required under 14 CFR Part 139 to complete annual live fire training to remain proficient in Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting (ARFF). Sawyer staff applied for an ARFF training support grant through the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT). The ARFF Grant award amount is \$2,000. This grant will provide additional funding to complete the ARFF training. The state grant is funded at a 90/10 split and will require a local 10% match of \$200.

This training is completed in conjunction with several other Upper Peninsula airports; Sawyer International Airport will send all of the staff to a host airport to complete the necessary training. Partnering up with other airports reduce the annual cost and provide cross training with other airport personnel.

In previous years, Marquette County participated in this grant; the added revenue from the MDOT Aeronautics has proven to be a great additional source of funding. The estimated cost for 2019 ARFF training is \$4,000 and at that cost this grant will provide 50% of the annual cost.

Grant Financial breakdown:

Michigan Department of Transportation (90% Share)	\$2,000.00
Marquette County (10% Share)	<u>\$ 200.00</u>
Total	\$2,200.00

The local match and remaining amount necessary for the ARFF training is accounted for in the airport ARFF budget line item.

Committee Recommendation: Comm. Adamini moved to approve the MDOT Grant for \$2,000 and approve the Resolution authorizing Chairman Gerald Corkin to sign MDOT agreement 2019-0261. Second by Comm. DePetro. Recommendation was approved to go before the County Board for approval at the 3-12-2019 Special Meeting.

e. Central Dispatch Policy Board Appointment

At the February 27, 2019 - Marquette County Township Association (MCTA) board meeting; Bryan Johnson (Ely Township Supervisor) was appointed to replace William Carlson (Negaunee Township Supervisor) who resigned from the Central Dispatch Policy Board as Mr. Carlson is retiring on March 31, 2019 as Supervisor of Negaunee Township.

Committee Recommendation: Comm. DePetro moved to accept the MCTA recommendation appointing Bryan Johnson – Ely Twp. Supervisor to the Central Dispatch Policy Board. Second by Comm. Adamini. Recommendation was approved to go before the County Board for approval at the 3-12-2019 Special Meeting.

f. Attorney Client Rooms Bid Recommendation

Aaron Karlstrom, Facilities Manager, was present to explain the following: on February 1, 2019 a competitive bid was advertised to create two Attorney Client interview rooms within the Courthouse Annex. Both of these rooms will be located on the 2nd floor of the Annex Building near court activities. This small build out will provide a much needed private meeting space for attorneys and their clients. A majority of this work will occur after hours to prevent interference with County Operations.

On February 12th a pre bid contractor walk through was held with good participation. Three bids were received and read out loud on February 22nd.

Closer Construction and Sales	\$32,995.00
Premeau Construction Inc.	\$38,827.00
Hall Contracting, Inc.	\$31,804.90

Funding for this project will be through the Public Defender System Budget.

Committee Recommendation: Comm. Adamini moved to award the project to Hall Contracting, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$31,804.90. Second by Comm. DePetro. Recommendation was approved to go before the County Board for approval at the 3-12-2019 Special Meeting.

g. DNR Land Exchange- Pulled due to lack of information

h. National Carbon Lease, Building 610

Steve Schenden, Director of Sawyer Operations, National Carbon currently leases Buildings 666 and 667. National Carbon is looking for additional space near their site to store raw wood chips outside and finished product inside Building 610. This building is under the Telkite Agreement so staff has been working with Telkite to develop new lease terms. The terms are listed on the attached Letter Of Intent with Exhibit A.

Building 610 is currently leased to the Lake Superior Community Partnership for storage use for the Lineman's School. This is a \$1.00/year lease with the County having the option to terminate lease with a 30 day notice. The Lineman school formerly used the south bay of Building 725, which is currently empty, so they could be moved back to that facility.

Committee Recommendation: Comm. DePetro moved to enter into a lease for Building 610 in accordance with the terms and conditions in the LOI and authorize Chairman Corkin to execute such lease; and the LSCP lease for the Lineman's School be moved into the south bay of 725 under the terms of the existing lease. Second by Comm. Adamini. Recommendation was approved to go before the County Board for approval at the 3-12-2019 Special Meeting.

i. FY2018 Budget Amendments

Sue Vercoe, Finance Manager, was present to explain the 2018 Budget Amendments, to view a full listing of the amendments; they are in the board packet as well as in the Clerk's Office.

Committee Recommendation: Comm. Adamini moved to accept the 2018 Budget Amendments as presented. Second by Comm. DePetro. Recommendation was approved to go before the County Board for approval at the 3-12-2019 Special Meeting.

11. LATE ADDITIONS:

a. Consideration to accept MDARD Grant

Steve Schenden, Director of Sawyer Operation, was present to explain the following: Marquette County has been awarded a \$100,000 Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD) grant to replace influent pumps at the K.I. Sawyer Wastewater Facility. This is a needed project that was in the plans for the recent renovation but was removed from the project when funds were not available.

The total project cost is estimated at \$165,000. Since MDARD grant are limited to \$100,000 the K. I. Water Wastewater Department will need to fund the rest. As required by the US Department of Agriculture Rural Development (USDARD) bond, on the renovation project, the County is required to have a Repair, Replacement and Improvement (RRI) fund. There is currently \$90,000 in the fund and \$67,175 will be added in 2019. This project is eligible to use the RRI according to USDARD.

Board Recommendation: Comm. Adamini recommended accepting MDARD Grant for \$100,000 and approves using \$65,000 from the RRI, to fund replacement of the influent pumps at the K.I. Sawyer Waste Water Treatment Facility. Second by Comm. DePetro. Recommendation was approved to go before the County Board for approval at the 3-12-2019 Special Meeting.

12. PUBLIC COMMENT: Chairperson Corkin opened the meeting for public comment, none was forthcoming.

13. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS, STAFF COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Chairperson Corkin** stated the meeting held at Ronn Hall, in Ishpeming on March 1, 2019 was well attended.

- **Comm. DePetro** commended the Marquette City Fire Department on responding to a structure fire, on February 28, 2019 once on scene the structure was fully engulfed in flames, with subzero temperatures. Because of mutual aid agreements in place - Marquette Township Fire Dept. arrived along with their trailer to refill the firefighter's oxygen tanks as needed. With a second and third alarm for man power for Marquette Firefighters, Chocolay Township Fire Dept. arrived and was stationed at the third street fire department to respond to any calls in the City. All working together as one team in a community emergency. A job well done!
- **Comm. DePetro** at the last meeting asked residents to clear snow away from any fire hydrants in their neighborhoods. Two days before the structure fire in North Marquette all hydrants in that area were cleared, when fire crews arrived on scene the hydrants were clear and good for hoses to be hooked up. Thank you to Public Works for a job well done!
- **Comm. Adamini** thanked Darlene Allen for mentioning and highlighting Sunshine Week. Being a huge believer the best disinfectant for insuring clean and honest government. Also, thanked Cecelia Brown for her service.

14. CLOSED SESSION

15. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the County Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:54 p.m.

Linda K. Talsma
Marquette County Clerk

Gerald O. Corkin, Chairperson
Marquette County Board of Commissioners