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ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING – WEDNESDAY JANUARY 2, 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 Pro-Tem 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. Corkin, Comm. Nordeen and Comm. Alholm. Absent and excused: None.

• Administration of Oath of Office by County Clerk

Clerk, Linda Talsma stated the following: Commissioners before administering the oath of office I would like to congratulate each of you on a successful election – As the Elected Commissioners for 2019 & 2020 they are as follows:

District 1	Johnny DePetro
District 2	Joseph Derocha
District 3	Stephen Adamini
District 4	Gerry Corkin
District 5	Bill Nordeen
District 6	Karen Alholm

Administering the Oath of Office: Commissioners please stand and raise your right hand: Do all of you solemnly swear that you will support the constitution of the United States and the constitution of this State, and that you will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of County Commissioner for the County of Marquette, according to the best of your ability?

• Election of Chairperson Conducted by the County Clerk

Clerk, Linda Talsma asked Commissioners for nominations for the position of Chairperson. Comm. Derocha nominated Comm. Corkin for Chairperson, second by Comm. Nordeen. It was unanimous that Comm. Corkin be elected as the Chairperson. Motion adopted.

Clerk, Linda Talsma, congratulated Chairperson Corkin and turned the meeting over to him. Chairperson Corkin thanked the Commissioners for their support and stated it’s a pleasure working with this Board and County Staff, and thanked the Board for their financial responsibility in running the County!

• Election of Vice-Chair

Chairperson Corkin requested nominations for Vice-Chair. Comm. DePetro nominated Comm. Derocha for Vice-Chair, second by Comm. Nordeen. It was unanimous that Comm. Derocha be elected as the Vice-Chair. Motion adopted.

Vice-Chairperson Derocha thanked the Commissioners for their support!

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Board Action: Comm. DePetro moved to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on December 18, 2018. Second by Comm. Alholm. Motion adopted.

3. PROCLAMATION, PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS:

- a. Retirement Resolution for Carolee N. Smith

Comm. Derocha read the following resolution:

*WHEREAS, Government has an obligation to provide its citizens with services of the highest quality; and
WHEREAS, quality services can only be provided by employees of the highest caliber; and*

WHEREAS, Carolee was hired on August 11, 2003 as a Deputy Circuit Court Clerk II in the County Clerk's Office, then on June 1, 2012 Carolee was awarded the position of Deputy Circuit Court Clerk III, this is where she found herself as a permanent fixture. As Lead Court Clerk here extensive knowledge was invaluable. Working in the County Clerk's Office there are many skills that are needed ~ working with a variety of customers assisting with many life issues that range from marriages to divorces; and

WHEREAS, as the Deputy Circuit Court Clerk III, Carolee has received many letters of gratitude as she has touched the lives of many through the Circuit Court System, passports, marriage licenses, birth certificates, death certificates, also providing training, managing court reports and assistance to other Clerks in the department as needed; and

WHEREAS, throughout the fifteen years at the County Clerk's Office there has been many staff changes that have occurred. Carolee worked for three different County Clerks in her tenure with the County. Carolee was always able to adapt and continue her quality of work. Many friends were made along the way as her friendliness was a great attribute; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Marquette recognizes and thanks Carolee for her service to Marquette County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk thanks Carolee for over 15 years of dedicated service as a Marquette County Employee. On behalf of all County Citizens, the County Board wishes Carolee a wonderful and amazing retirement.

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

Board Action: Comm. Derocha moved to approve the agenda with the following addition: 11a) Solid Waste Authority Alternate Appointment. Second by Comm. Nordeen. Motion adopted.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT:

▪ **Matt Wiese, Prosecutor**, updated the Board on the Domestic Violence Grant progress. Part of the funding will be a three room suite which will be a collaborative space – used by law enforcement agencies, women's center & prosecutor's office. 24% Domestic violence cases come out of Forsyth Township, which makes up 8% of our population.

▪ **Comm. Derocha** applauded the efforts of the Prosecutors office as well as the staff for getting this grant.

▪ **Comm. DePetro** thanked Mr. Wiese for the great article by Mining Journal reporter, Cecelia Brown concerning the Domestic Grant.

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

6. REVIEW OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS:

Board Action: Comm. Alholm moved to approve total expenditures for the period December 14, 2018 through December 27, 2018 was \$807,181.82; and Biweekly Payroll for the period ending December 15, 2018 was \$642,474.59. Second by Comm. Adamini. Motion adopted (6-0)

7. PUBLIC HEARING: None

8. PRIVILEGED COMMENT: None

9. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

a. DEQ Pending Application Report

Board action: Comm. Alholm moved to accept the informational item for filing. Second by Comm. Nordeen. Motion adopted. (6-0)

10. ACTION ITEMS:

a. Regular Meeting Schedule for 2019

Clerk, Linda Talsma presented the 2019 Meeting schedule as follows:

(Meetings held on Tuesday at 6:00 P.M. in Room 231 ~ Henry A. Skewis Courthouse Annex, unless otherwise noted)

January 2, 2019 – Wednesday (Organizational Meeting)	July 2, 2019
January 15, 2019	July 16, 2019
February 5, 2019	August 5, 2019 – Monday (Due To Primary Election)
February 19, 2019	August 20, 2019
March 5, 2019	September 3, 2019
March 19, 2019	September 17, 2019
April 2, 2019	October 1, 2019
April 9, 2019 (Equalization Meeting – State Mandated date)	October 15, 2019 (Annual Meeting)
April 16, 2019	November 4, 2019 - Monday (Due To General Election)
May 7, 2019	November 19, 2019
May 21, 2019	December 3, 2019
June 4, 2019	December 17, 2019
June 18, 2019	

Board Action: Comm. DePetro moved to adopt the 2019 Regular Meeting Schedule as stated above. Second by Comm. Alholm. Motion adopted.

b. Annual Review of County Board of Commissioners Rules of Order

Clerk, Linda Talsma presented the Rules of Order for consideration.

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RULES OF ORDER BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MARQUETTE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Adopted pursuant to authority granted by MCLA 46.11(p).

The great purpose of all rules and forms is to sub serve the will of the assembly, not restrain it, and to facilitate, not obstruct, the expression of its deliberate sense.

SECTION I - BOARD ORGANIZATION

I-1. CHAIR PRO TEM; JANUARY ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING; ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

At the last meeting of each year, the Board shall designate by a majority vote a Chair Pro Tem to serve from December 31 to the opening of the Organizational Meeting if the present chair shall be ineligible to serve on the Board during the next term. In the absence of such ineligibility, the present chair shall serve until the opening of the Organizational Meeting. At the first meeting of the Board of Commissioners held in January of each year, the Chair Pro Tem shall open the meeting, the County Clerk shall call the roll, and if a quorum is found to be present, the Board shall proceed to nominate and elect one of their members as chair. The commissioner receiving the majority of all votes cast shall be Chair of said Board and immediately assume the duties thereof. The Chair shall first proceed to the election of a Vice-Chair by a roll call vote.

I-2. JANUARY ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING; REVIEW AND REVISION OF RULES; MEETING SCHEDULE

During the January Organizational Meeting, the Commission shall review and revise, if deemed necessary, the Rules and Procedure Manual and shall set the schedule for all regular board meetings and standing committee for the year.

SECTION II - COMMITTEES

II-1. STATUTORY FINANCE COMMITTEE

II-1.1 The Chair of the Board shall appoint three commissioners to the Statutory Finance Committee no later than the Monday following the Organizational Meeting.

II-1.2 The Statutory Finance Committee shall elect a Chair and a Vice-Chair at its first meeting.

II-2. SPECIAL AND SELECT COMMITTEES

The Chair shall appoint all special and select committees unless otherwise ordered by the Board. The Chair of the Board will be a member of all committees so appointed.

II-3. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

All members of the Board may meet as a Committee of the Whole when necessary for the informal discussion of matters that may come before the Board of Commissioners or any committee of the Board.

II-4. STRUCTURE OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

II-4.1 The Chair of the Board shall be Chair of the Committee of the Whole and shall call the Committee of the Whole to order at the time, place, and date set for its meeting.

II-4.2 The Chair shall conduct the order of the Committee in a reasonable manner so as to permit free and informal discussions of all matters by all members of the Committee.

On motions to refer matters to the Board or other committees, the Chair shall state the motion and call for a vote.

II-4.3 When meeting as a Committee of the Whole, the Board is cautioned from taking any formal final action on any business then before the Board of any committee of the Board without the express approval, made in the form of a motion and approved by a majority of the board present

II-4.4 the Committee of the Whole may vote to refer any matter to any other committee of the Board or to the Board of

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Commissioners for formal or final action. Such reference to a committee of the Board may be accompanied by a recommendation as to policy or disposition.

II-5. RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF COMMITTEES

Any matter referred to committee remains the property of that committee until reported to the full Board, or another committee, either by a date specified in the motion or at the earliest convenience of said committee. Any matter not reported to the Board within a reasonable length of time may be brought upon the floor for consideration by a majority vote of those present.

II-6. SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS

All committee meetings shall be noticed and posted in accordance with the Open Meetings Act. No scheduled committee meeting shall be changed to another time or date unless all members of the committee are polled and a majority agree to the change.

SECTION III - CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

III-1. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE CHAIR

The Chair shall take the Chair precisely on the day and at the hour the Board adjourned at the preceding session. He/she shall immediately call the members to order, and on the appearance of a quorum from a call of the roll, he/she shall cause the minutes of the preceding session to be read unless otherwise ordered by the Board. Authority for the execution of all documents requiring signature as a result of action taken by the Board of Commissioners shall be expressly vested in the Chair or the Vice-Chair in the Chair's absence; said signature shall be affixed in the presence of the Clerk or his/her deputy.

III-2. EMERGENCY MEETINGS

A previously scheduled regular meeting may be cancelled and rescheduled, or a meeting may be called by the Chair when, in his or her discretion, an emergency exists, provided notice is given to each member and such additional notice is given as required by the Open Meetings Act. An emergency is defined as a sudden and unexpected turn of events requiring immediate action.

III-3. DISORDERLY CONDUCT

It shall be the duty of the Chair to preserve order and to call to his/her aid, for that purpose, the Sheriff of the County or his Deputy. The Chair shall suppress any disorderly conduct and shall strictly enforce the rules and regulations of the Board.

III-4. AUTHORIZING ATTENDANCE AT OTHER MEETINGS.

III-4.1 The Chairperson of the Board is authorized to send to any meeting, convention, or function deemed important to the conduct of County business, those persons deemed necessary in numbers appropriate to the occasion. Said members shall travel by the mode of transportation most suited to the situation, and action taken by the Chair shall be subject to later review by the County Board of Commissioners. It is expected that a written or oral report concerning participation in such activities will be submitted to the full Board by the designated participating delegate. Failure to report those activities to the County Board will result in loss of the privilege to represent the Board at such functions.

III-4.2 In addition, Board members serving in the capacity as commissioners on other boards and commissions will be expected to periodically report to the County Board on the activities of that board or commission.

III-5. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE VICE-CHAIR.

When the chair is absent from Board meetings, or otherwise incapacitated during the interim, the Vice-Chair shall assume all the duties and obligations of the Chair.

III-6 TEMPORARY CHAIR.

Both the Chair and Vice-Chair, when presiding, shall have the right to name any member of the Board to perform the duties of the Chair temporarily.

SECTION IV - MEETINGS; PROCEDURE

IV-1. QUORUM.

A majority of all the Commissioners duly elected and/or qualified shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

IV-2. AGENDA.

The agenda for each regular and committee of the whole meeting and any special or emergency meeting shall be prepared by the Chair or his designee. Prior to the meeting, any items for discussion shall be placed on the agenda at the request of a Commissioner or county official. Such requests shall be made by 5:00 p.m. on the Thursday preceding the meeting. At any meeting when the agenda is being considered for approval, agenda items may be advanced to the Privileged Comment section upon request of a Commissioner or upon request of any person with approval of the Board. Items not appearing on the published agenda may be added at a meeting under Late Additions upon a majority vote of the Board.

IV-3. ORDER OF BUSINESS.

The order of business of the Board of Commissioners shall be as follows:

1. Call to Order – Salute to the Flag –
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Reading of the minutes of preceding regular and special meetings.
4. Proclamations, Presentations & Awards.
5. Approval of Agenda.
6. Public Comment (time limit 20 minutes total).

7. Review of Claims and Accounts.
8. Public Hearings.
9. Privileged Comment.
10. Informational Items.
11. Action Items.
12. Late Additions.
13. Public Comment.
14. Commissioner & Staff Comments & Announcements.
15. Adjournment.

IV-4. CLERK; MINUTES.

The County Clerk or his/her Deputy shall attend all meetings of the County Board and its various Committees. He/She shall keep correct minutes of the Board's proceedings.

IV-5. ORDER OF SPEAKING.

No member shall speak a second time on a question until all others who wish to speak have had an opportunity to speak once.

IV-6. SIMULTANEOUS SPEAKING.

When two or more members address the Chair at the same time, the Chair shall designate the member who is first to speak, but in all other cases, the member who shall first address the Chair shall speak first.

IV-7. RIGHT OF SPEAKING.

Only members of the Board of Commissioners shall be given the right to speak during any Board meeting except:

1. Any person with the consent of the majority of the Board members present;
2. Any member of the public speaking under the privilege of Public Comment;
3. Any staff person, when requested by a member of the Board.
4. Any member of the public, speaking during a Public Hearing.

IV-8. MEMBER CALLED TO ORDER

A member called to order shall immediately relinquish the floor, unless permitted to explain, and the Board, if appealed to, shall decide the case. If an appeal is not made, the decision of the Chair shall stand. On an appeal, no member shall speak more than once without the consent of the Board.

IV-9. DIVISION OF QUESTION

If a question in debate contains several points, any member may ask for and have the same divided.

IV-10. SUSPENSION OF RULES; AMENDMENTS

No rule of the Board shall be suspended, altered, or amended without the concurrence of two-thirds of the members present at the meeting.

IV-11. ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER

The rules of parliamentary practice set forth in Robert's Rules of Order Revised shall govern the Board in all cases in which they are applicable, providing they are not in conflict with the Board's rules or the laws of the State of Michigan.

IV-12. PRIVILEGED COMMENT

By Consensus of the Board, Privileged Comment may be granted to members of the public desiring to address specified agenda items at any regular or special meeting of the Board or Committee of the Whole. These identified agenda items shall then be moved forward to Privileged Comment to allow interested persons to speak To those items without delay and the Board to take whatever action is necessary. The Chair may specify and limit the time allowed for each speaker.

IV-13. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment is an opportunity for citizens of the County to voice their opinions concerning issues regarding the operation of County government in Marquette County.

Individuals will be limited to five minutes per person; with a one minute warning issued by the Chairperson that time is about to expire, not to exceed 20 minutes in total unless waived by the majority of Board present. The County Clerk will be responsible to keep time on individuals and inform the Board Chairperson when time limits have expired. At the close of Public Comment, County Board members may address issues raised by citizens during the Public Comment session.

IV-14. CLOSED SESSIONS

IV-14.1 When possible, the purpose of a closed session should be clearly stated on the meeting agenda and stated in the motion to call a closed session.

IV-14.2 When a closed session is added to the agenda as a **late** addition, the County Administrator and/or Civil Counsel shall provide the purpose of the closed session in writing so it can be stated as part of the motion to call a closed session.

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IV-14.3 A roll call vote shall be required to call a closed session, and the roll call vote and purpose for calling the closed session shall be entered into the minutes per the Open Meetings Act.

IV-15. SPECIAL MEETINGS

IV-15.1 Pursuant to MCL 46.10, as amended, Special Meeting of the Board shall be held only when requested by at least one-third (1/3) of the members of the Board. Such request shall be in writing, shall be addressed to the County Clerk, and shall specify the time, date, place, and purpose of the meeting.

IV-15.2 Upon receipt of such a request, the County Clerk shall schedule the requested Special Meeting, and shall prepare a written Notice of the scheduled Special Meeting which shall contain, at a minimum, the time, date, place, and purpose of the scheduled Special Meeting.

IV-15.3 the Clerk shall thereupon cause Notice of the scheduled Special Meeting to be given to each of the Commissioners not less than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the scheduled Special Meeting, by the following methods:

- a. by causing a copy of the written Notice to be delivered personally or via e-mail to the Commissioners; or,
- b. by causing a copy of the written Notice to be left at the residence of the Commissioner; or, verbally, either in person or by telephone or cell phone, at which time the written Notice shall be read to the Commissioners verbatim. If this method of notice is used, the Verbal notice may be given to a Commissioner personally, or a message left with another person, or on a telephone answering device, all of which will be considered sufficient notice for purposes of this Section. The Clerk shall cause to be made, contemporaneously with the delivery of such Notice, a record indicating the method, location, date and time that such Notice was provided to each Commissioner, and, if by telephone, the number at which such Commissioner was reached.

IV-15.4 Timely Notice given to any Commissioner by any of the methods above described shall be deemed to be sufficient notice to such Commissioner, whether or not actually received by such Commissioner.

IV-15.5 Notwithstanding these Notice requirements, a Commissioner may, but is not required to, waive the requirement of timely Notice of a Special Meeting, provided that such waiver is made on the record at the commencement of the meeting.

SECTION V -MOTIONS

V-1. PRIVILEGED MOTIONS

When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received or entertained but the following:

To adjourn; to close debate on the pending question; to lay on the table; to postpone to a certain day; to commit, amend or substitute.

-which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand arranged.

V-2. MOTION TO TABLE; MOTION TO ADJOURN.

The motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and the motion to lay on the table shall be decided without debate.

V-3. MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION

A motion for reconsideration of a decision shall be in order when:

1. The motion is made at the same meeting or the following meeting and by one who voted with the prevailing side on the original motion; or,
2. Made by a commissioner who was absent at the time of the vote on the original motion at the first meeting attended by that commissioner subsequent to the meeting at which the vote on the original motion was taken; or,
3. Made by a new commissioner seated subsequent to the vote on the original motion, within sixty (60) days after the filing of his/her oath of office.

V-4. MOTION TO RESCIND.

A motion to rescind a previous action requires a two-thirds vote, or a majority vote, when notice or intent to make the motion, stating the complete substance of the proposed change, has been given at the previous meeting or in the call of the present meeting. A motion to rescind a previous action is not in order when:

1. It has been previously moved to reconsider the vote on the original motion; or
2. When something has been done as a result of the vote on the original motion that is impossible to undo; or,
3. The original motion accepted a resignation or made an appointment, and the other party has already been informed of the action.

V-5. SECONDS; WRITTEN MOTIONS.

No motion or resolution shall be debated or put to the Board unless the same has been seconded and, before voting, stated by the Chair, and any such motion or resolution shall be reduced to writing if the Chair, Clerk, or any member so desires. Any motion or resolution reduced to writing by a member of the Board of Commissioners shall be spread verbatim on the minutes of the meeting.

V-6. WITHDRAWAL OF MOTION.

After a motion shall be stated by the chair, it shall be deemed to be in the possession of the Board but may Be withdrawn by the maker of the motion at any time before amended or otherwise acted upon.

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SECTION VI - DEBATE

VI-1. DEBATE PROCEDURE.

In debate, members shall confine their remarks to the merits of the pending questions. Members shall address all remarks through the Chair and not to one another directly. Members shall always be referred to by their official titles.

VI-2. DEBATE.

When an agenda item is pending, a member may make a motion to have the clerk read the packet materials concerning that item into the record. Such a motion may also be made after voting on an item.

VI-3. DECORUM.

When a question is pending, a member or a person permitted to make public comment can condemn the nature or likely consequences of the proposed measure in strong terms, but shall avoid personalities, and under no circumstances, attack or question the motives of any member or other speaker on the subject. The measure, not the person, is the subject of debate.

SECTION VII - VOTING

VII-1. ROLL CALL VOTE:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT; EXCUSE.

A roll call vote shall proceed by district from the person making the motion, with the Chair voting last. Every member who shall be present when a question is last stated by the Chair, and no others, shall vote for or against the same, unless the Board shall excuse him/her, or unless he/she be prohibited by law from voting on the question.

VII-2. ROLL CALL VOTES.

A roll call vote shall be taken on any question when called for by any member of the Board. Otherwise, all votes shall be by acclamation. The Chair shall determine and announce the outcome of each vote.

VII-3. ROLL CALL VOTES; ENTRY UPON MINUTES.

Upon a roll call vote, the names of those who voted for or against the same shall be entered by district in the minutes, and each member called upon, unless for special reasons he/she shall be excused by unanimous consent of the Board, shall declare openly and without debate his/her assent or dissent to the question.

VII-4. CHAIR VOTE.

The Chair must vote on all roll call questions unless excused by a unanimous vote of the Board. He/she may vote on all questions before the Board, except on appeal from his/her own decisions.

SECTION VIII - HEARINGS

VIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS RULES OF PROCEDURE.

VIII-1.1 Whenever a public hearing on any issue is convened by the Marquette County Board of Commissioners or committee thereof, the Chair shall commence the public hearing by:

- a. Stating the purpose of the hearing.
- b. Advising the public in attendance on the rules procedure set forth in this rule.

VIII-1.2 The Chair shall be responsible for order and procedure at all public hearings and enforce this rule, as well as the general rules of order of the County Board of Commissioners, to the extent applicable.

VIII-1.3 All persons, organizations, firms, partnerships, corporations, or other such entities shall have the right to address the Board either individually or by agent or representative. Each person addressing the Board must give his name and the name of any organization if he is speaking on behalf of that organization.

VIII-1.4 All presentations to the Board during a public hearing shall be limited to a reasonable time length.

VIII-1.5 The Board of Commissioners may specifically limit the length of time for each presentation, if necessary.

VIII-1.6 Those parties addressing the Board may also submit such written materials, documents, petitions, and exhibits to support their presentations.

VIII-1.7 Following each presentation, each Board member may question the individual making the presentation.

Board Action: Comm. Adamini moved to adopt the Rules of Order for the Marquette County Board of Commissioners for 2019. Second by Comm. Derocha. Motion adopted (6-0)

c. Airport Advisory Board Vacancy

Chairperson Corkin read the following memo from the County Clerk: An application for the vacant position on the Airport Advisory Board was received by Vito L. Carello Sr. of Ishpeming. Mr. Carello is applying for the General Aviation Representative vacant position.

Board action: Comm. Adamini moved to appoint Vito L. Carello Sr. to serve on the Airport Advisory Board for a 2-year term ending 12-31-2020. Second by Comm. Alholm. Motion adopted (6-0)

d. Sawyer Lease Recommendation

Scott Erbisch, Administrator, explained the following: As a component of the Violence against Women Grant extension, a satellite office will be established at K.I. Sawyer for use by law enforcement, partnering agencies, and other grant related staff. The funding for the leased space will come from the grant proceeds.

Key Lease Terms:

- ❖ Three year lease, unless tenants project changes, conflict in the project requirements, or funding is discontinued.
- ❖ Rent will be \$575 per month. Utilities, cable, heat, water/sewer, internet included.
- ❖ County has appropriate coverage in its existing policy to cover insurance requirements.
- ❖ Tenant has the option to terminate the lease upon 30 days' notice.

Board action: Comm. Nordeen authorized entering into a 3-year lease with Joshua One Seven Enterprises, Inc. with the terms listed above. Second by Comm. Derocha. Motion adopted (6-0)

11. LATE ADDITIONS:

a. Solid Waste Authority Alternate Appointment

A letter was received by Randall L. Yelle, Authority Chairperson, directed to the County Administrator. The letter stated the following: Mr. Yelle requested consideration by the County Board to appoint an alternate member to the Marquette County Solid Waste Management Authority board of trustee. The appointment of an alternate has the same requirements as the appointment of the regular appointed member.

- Intergovernmental Agreement is silent on this issue
- Articles of Incorporation, section 5, page 6/7 allows for the appointment of an alternate member. As does the Bylaws, Section 5.
- Section 3, page 6, refers to the rules of appointment, which reads as follows; No trustee, regular or alternant, shall hold public office, be a public employee of the respective designating bodies or of any constituent municipality, or user municipality or any entity having a direct contractual relationship with the Authority, or any of its constituent or user municipalities regarding solid waste collection and/or disposal.
- The Intergovernmental Agreement as well as the Articles of Incorporation agrees with the above statement.

The appointed alternated shall have the right to act in the place of the regular member in the event of the latter's absence.

Board action: Comm. Derocha appointed Gary Johnson, Republic Twp. resident, to the Solid Waste Authority Alternate position and to act in the place of the regular member in the event of the latter's absence. This appointment term is one year. Second by Comm. Alholm. Motion adopted (6-0)

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

- **John Berry, Marquette resident**, questioned Commissioners regarding the Sawyer Airport. Mr. Berry stated he extensively travels for business and with delayed flights, airport closures and parking issues he wanted some clarification.
- **Commissioners along with Mr. Erbisch** responded to Mr. Berry and requested a meeting to follow up on these concerns.

No further public comment was forthcoming and this portion of the meeting was closed.

13. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS, STAFF COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Chairperson Corkin** thanked the Board for their confidence in his reappointment to Chairman, further discussed Lame Duck and noted many issues did not pass ~ very good news for Marquette County.
- **Comm. DePetro** thanked Sheriff Zyburt and his staff for improving safety measures by installing the new e-mail message system that can be delivered to inmates seven days a week. There is no cost to the County and reduces staff time and risks involved with the process of opening and inspecting mail. Also, congratulations to Carolee Smith for her 15 plus years of dedicated service to the residents of Marquette County!
- **Comm. Derocha** wished everyone a Happy New Year!

14. ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to come before the County Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:41 p.m.

Linda K. Talsma
Marquette County Clerk

Gerald O. Corkin, Chairperson
Marquette County Board of Commissioners