

**CUPPAD REGIONAL COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES**

**February 25, 2011  
1:00 p.m. (CDST)**

**Maple Creek Restaurant  
Iron Mountain**

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**PRESENT**

G. Corkin, Chairman, Marquette County  
B. Werner, Alt. Stevens, Dickinson County  
J. Wetthuhn, Director, Hannahville Indian Community  
J. Poupore, Director, Menominee County  
J. Stanchina, Dickinson County  
S. Aldrich, Schoolcraft County  
C. Adams, Dickinson County  
J. Gardiner, Menominee County  
G. Johnson, Delta County  
O. Doran, Schoolcraft County  
J. Kippola, Marquette County  
L. Schultz, Menominee County  
B. Lang, Menominee County  
B. Bedard, Dickinson County  
B. Carlson, Alt. Bureau, Marquette County

**ABSENT**

P. Rodman, Schoolcraft County  
J. Schwanz, Menominee County  
R. Barron, Delta County  
D. Wilson, Alger County  
P. Whitmarsh, Alger County  
J. Stevens, Dickinson County  
E. Hoholik, Schoolcraft County  
R. Pawley, Schoolcraft County  
P. Bureau, Alt. Present, Marquette County  
D. LaFoilie, Schoolcraft County  
T. Callahan, Delta County  
B. Herioux, Delta County  
D. Bovin, Alger County  
T. Elegeert, Delta County  
L. Bal, Dickinson County

**STAFF PRESENT**

L. Matthes  
V. Norman  
M Dewitt  
S. Lenaker

**GUESTS PRESENT**

Katy Sporer, Village of Garden  
Debbie Dougovito, City of Manistique  
Dennis Baldinelli, Kingsford City Council  
Tony Edlebeck, City of Kingsford Public Works  
Vince Bevins, MDOT  
Mike Premo, MDOT  
Keith Kazianka, District Rep. for Congressman Benishek  
Gary Merrill, Oldenburg Group  
Bob Kittle, Munetrix

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chairman Corkin. Roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED WAS MADE BY C. ADAMS, SECONDED BY G. JOHNSON, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES**

A MOTION TO APPROVE THE 10/22/10 MINUTES AS PRESENTED WAS MADE BY G. JOHNSON, SECONDED BY C. ADAMS, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

None

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### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

**J. Poupore presented the Treasurer's Report for the months of October, November, December, and January in the absence of Treasurer Bovin.**

**A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER'S REPORT AS PRESENTED WAS MADE BY S. ALDRICH, SECONDED BY B. BEDARD, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**G. Corkin presented the Executive Committee and Criminal Justice Planning Committee activity report.**

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

**L. Matthes reported we submitted a proposal to MEDC for technical assistance funding for community preparedness, reported 2012 could be a real good year for us if the state starts using the regional agencies to deliver a lot of the state services as being discussed, MAR will be working with the MI Association of Planners Planning Law Committee on the white paper for the proposed consolidation planning law, the Heritage Route videos are now on YouTube previewing attractions along M-35 from Gladstone to Menominee, gave an update on MEDC's new/old focus and reported we're still not sure if we'll be getting a CDBG Technical Assistance grant for FY 2011.**

### **COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS/ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**J. Wetthuhn reviewed the Commission Appointees with the Commission; reported on the additions of Bob Werner for Dickinson County Planning Commission and Gregg Johnson for Delta County Township Association.**

**J. Wetthuhn read the list of Executive Committee Nominees:**

<b>Alger County</b>	<b>Doug Bovin</b>
<b>Delta County</b>	<b>Tom Elegeert</b>
<b>Dickinson County</b>	<b>Joe Stevens</b>
<b>Marquette County</b>	<b>Gerald Corkin</b>
<b>Menominee County</b>	<b>Jerry Poupore</b>
	<b>Lillian Schultz</b>
<b>Schoolcraft County</b>	<b>Sheila Aldrich</b>
<b>Hannahville Indian Comm.</b>	<b>Jill Wetthuhn</b>

**J. Wetthuhn read the Slate of Officers:**

<b>Chairperson</b>	<b>Gerald Corkin</b>
<b>Vice-Chairperson</b>	<b>Tom Elegeert</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Joe Stevens</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Doug Bovin</b>

**There were no other nominations.**

**A MOTION TO APPROVE THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE NOMINEES AND THE SLATE OF OFFICERS AS PRESENTED WAS MADE BY B. LANG, SECONDED BY S. ALDRICH, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (CEDs)**

**The Commission received replacement pages 3 & 4 (CEDs Document); which included an updated CEDs Committee and Commission member list.**

**L. Matthes reviewed the four priority projects included in our CEDs: the Ruth Butler Building at the U.P. State Fairgrounds as an incubator, a bio-solids project in Marquette, the invasive species feasibility study, and preparing our communities for the effects of Marinette Marine's contract and the mine. The CEDs is recognized as a planning document to get federal funding. The CEDs Strategy Committee is recommending adoption of the CEDs document by the Commission.**

**A MOTION TO ADOPT THE COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY AS PRESENTED WAS MADE BY C. ADAMS, SECONDED BY L. SCHULTZ, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**APPROVE APRIL MEETING DATE FROM APRIL 22<sup>ND</sup> TO APRIL 21<sup>ST</sup>**

**The next scheduled meeting is April 22<sup>nd</sup> which is Good Friday.**

**A MOTION TO APPROVE APRIL 21<sup>ST</sup> AS THE NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING DATE WAS MADE BY C. ADAMS, SECONDED BY L. SCHULTZ, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**PROGRAM**

**L. Matthes reported on the impacts of the recent contract awarded to Marinette Marine and what it means in direct and indirect jobs, discussed community planning/preparedness with the Commission, and reviewed the community preparedness capacity worksheet tool developed by CUPPAD staff on helping our local communities plan for the influx of people that will come to the area to fill the newly created jobs.**

**Gary Merrill, Oldenburg Group, briefed the Commission on how the Marinette Marine contract for Littoral Combat Ships affects them, they will be supplying equipment to both LCS contract awardees, and they are currently recruiting people to fill newly created jobs.**

**Bob Kittle, Munetrix, gave a presentation on their budget assistance tool for municipalities. The software allows municipalities to produce cost per resident and efficiency reports, trend analysis, peer group, and ratio analysis charts and graphs.**

**NEXT MEETING DATE AND PLACE**

**The next scheduled meeting is April 21, 2011 in Menominee.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.**