March 3, 2017
1:00 P.M.

Present:
D. Rivard, Delta County
B. Herioux, Delta County
T. Nelson, Delta County
A. Herioux, Delta County, alternate
G. Johnson, Delta County
R. Anderson, Dickinson County
D. Olson, Dickinson County
G. Corkin, Chair, Marquette County
A. Feldhauser, Marquette County
M. Slown, alternate, Marquette County
D. Parret, Menominee County
J. Linder, Menominee County
J. Beaudo, Treasurer, Hannahville Indian Community

Members Absent:
J. Doucette, Alger County
R. DesJardins, Alger County
D. Rushford, Alger County
L. Howard, Alger County
R. Barron, Delta County*
B. Struck, Marquette County
T. Karlstrom, Marquette County
TBD city, Marquette County *
W. Carlson, Marquette County
A. Ott, Schoolcraft County
C. Reiter, Schoolcraft County
O. Doran, Schoolcraft County.
* Alternate present

Guests Present:

Staff Present:
Dotty. LaJoye
Peter Van Steen
Nathan Fazer

Call to Order and Welcome
The meeting was called to order at 1:03 p.m. by G. Corkin. The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited. Roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

Approval of the Agenda
A motion to approve the agenda was made by G. Johnson, supported by D. Rivard carried unanimously.

Acceptance of the Minutes
A motion to approve the October 28, 2016 minutes was made by G. Johnson, supported by D. Rivard carried unanimously.

Secretary’s Report
None

Treasurer’s Report
Treasurer Beaudo reported on the cash balance and the significant recent receipts from the Arts and Culture Alliance grant and Alger County GIS. She mentioned the need to get a better handle of the funds coming into the organization; the cash balance is good but we need to know how the funds are spent. In the future, the amount of receipts will be reported on the Treasurer’s Report. A motion to approve the Treasurer’s report was made by D. Rivard, supported by R. Anderson
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMITTEE REPORTS
G. Corkin presented the Executive Committee actions, as the nominating committee prepared a slate of officers for CUPPAD Commission elections, reporting of the EDA grant submission with receiving $70,000 annually for three years, award of $271,000 RPI grant, it is likely that one year is left in the program, the Commission bought two traffic counters which will be available to local communities use and a thank you to outgoing Executive Committee member Tony Edlebeck. G. Corkin expressed a thank-you to Tony Edlebeck and Jill Beaudo for the work done in examining the financial situation of CUPPAD and overall we are in good shape financially.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT
D. LaJoye introduced herself as the new Executive Director having been in the position for four months now. She commented the EDA grant was just submitted and CUPPAD will receive $70,000 annually, which is increase from previous years. CUPPAD applied for RPI funding in the amount of $375,000 but received $271,000; the RPI is Governor Snyder’s initiative to strengthen local communities and CUPPAD has a council. A list of projects is found on the back table. If anyone has suggestions on items that need to be addressed by CUPPAD staff, please use the suggestion box.

NEW BUSINESS
Dotty LaJoye presented the nominating committee slate of officers. For Chairperson- Gerry Corkin. Nominations were called three times. A MOTION TO CAST A UNANIMOUS BALLOT FOR GERRY CORKIN AS CHAIRPERSON WAS MADE BY M. SLOWN, SUPPORTED BY G. JOHNSON CARRIED.

G. Corkin presented the remaining slate from the nominating committee: Ray Anderson for Vice chairperson, Dave Rivard for Secretary and Jill Beaudo for Treasurer. A MOTION BY A. FELDHAUSER SUPPORTED BY J. LINDER TO CAST A UNANIMOUS BALLOT FOR RAY ANDERSON FOR VICE CHAIRPERSON, DAVE RIVARD FOR SECRETARY AND JILL BEAUDO FOR TREASURER CARRIED.

G. Corkin recognized the outgoing commission members and presented framed certificates of appreciation.

PROGRAM SPEAKERS
Nathan Fazer, CUPPAD Community Planner, presented a program on “GIS in the Public Sector”. Nathan Fazer discussed GIS activities by Marquette city, Gladstone city, state of Michigan and others and the regional approach to GIS.

Dickinson County update: Norway: has a large water and sewer project funded by Rural Development, started in 2006 and will be completed in 2017. The city received a MDNR grant for trail reconstruction at Strawberry Lake. Kingsford: is working on a joint Kingsford/Iron Mountain wastewater plant upgrade. The city is working with a Wisconsin firm interested in purchasing the old Ford Motor plant. The city is looking at brownfield redevelopment and economic development with a core group of businesses.
NEXT MEETING DATE
The next CUPPAD Commission meeting will be April 28, 2017 in Menominee County.

ADJOURNMENT
A tour of Kingsford Broach and Tool will take place after the meeting. The chair declared the meeting adjourned at 3:05 PM. Members convened for the tour of Kingsford Broach and Tool.

Meeting minutes prepared by Peter Van Steen