



SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT

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FIRE DISTRICT BOARD MEETING

4:00pm – June 16th, 2025

Approved MINUTES

1. Call to Order: **Meeting called to order by J. Verplank at 4:00pm**
2. Pledge of Allegiance (*Stand if you are able*):
3. Roll Call:
Present: S. Aldrich, E. Beckman, D. Fox, J. Verplank, S. Phelps, T. Pullen, C. North
Absent: None
Also Present: Chief Greg Janik, P. Stanislawski, W. Bales
4. Reminder: It is requested the board silences cell phones and put them away for the duration of the meeting.
5. Approval of Agenda (*additions / deletions*):
Motion by Phelps, 2nd by Fox, to approve the agenda as presented. No discussion. Motion passes by unanimous by voice vote.
6. Approval of Minutes:
 - A. **May 19th, 2025 – Regular – Page 2**
Motion by Aldrich, second by Beckman, approve of the minutes of the 4/21/2025 regular meeting as presented. No discussion. Motion passes by unanimous by voice vote.
 - B. **June 2nd, 2025 – Workshop – Page 5**
Motion by Pullen, second by North, approve of the minutes of the 5/5/2025 workshop meeting as presented. No discussion. Motion passes by unanimous by voice vote.
7. Public Comment on Agenda Items Only: (*Limit 3 Minutes*)
 - A. **None**
8. **Public Hearing:**
 - A. **Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget – Page 7**
Motion to Open Public Hearing (Roll Call Vote):
Motion by Phelps, second by Fox open the public hearing. No discussion.
YAYS: Phelps, Fox, Aldrich, Verplank, Phelps, Pullen, North
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
Motions passes: 7.0

Comments in Support the budget – None
Comments Opposed to the budget – None
General Comments about the budget –None
Board Comments – None

Motion to Close Public Hearing (Roll Call Vote):



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YAYS: Pullen, North, Aldrich, Beckman, Verplank, Phelps

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passes:

B. Fire District Budget Approval – Fiscal Year 2025-26 (Roll Call Vote)

Motion by Pullen, second by North to approve 2.9 mills will be levied for the Saugatuck Township Fire District 2025-26 Budget. No discussion

YAYS: Pullen, North, Aldrich, Beckman, Fox, Verplank, Phelps

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passes: 7:0

9. Special Guest Speaker:

A. Tony Schippa – Heart Safe Tri-Community of Saugatuck Area – [Page 26](#)

1. Presented his presentation of Heart Safe Tri-Community

2. Requesting Saugatuck Township Fire District to be the lead sponsor.

Motion by Fox, second by Pullen to approve Saugatuck Township Fire District to be the Lead Sponsor for Heart Safe Tri-Community of Saugatuck Area.

YAYS: Fox, Pullen, Aldrich, Beckman, Verplank, Phelps, North

NAYS: None

Absent: None

Motion Passes: 7.0

10. Request for Payment:

A. Budget Amendment #2(Roll Call Vote): – [Page 34](#)

Motion by Pullen, second by North to approve Budget Amendment #2 dated 6/12/2025.

YAYS: Pullen, North, Aldrich, Beckman, Fox, Verplank, Phelps

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passes: 7.0

B. Accounts Payables (Roll Call Vote) – [Page 35](#)

Motion by Phelps, Second by Fox to pay the invoices in the amount of \$152.193.89. No discussion.

YAYS: Phelps, Fox, Aldrich, Beckman, Verplank, Pullen, North

NAYS: None

Absent: None

Motion passes: 7:0.

C. Financial Report: - [Page 40](#)

11. Fire Chief Comments:

A. Incident Reports / EMS Report/ Calls to Date / Overlapping Calls.

1. Incidents – 445 year to date with a 5% increase from last year.

2. Average Response Time Year to Date – 6:36

3. Increase in MVI at 28%

B. Cost Recovery Updates

1. Incident 25-0241 \$705.00 Received



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2. Two Overdue Cases Sent To Attorney

C. Foam Party – Pictures and Slideshow

12. Unfinished Business:

A. Life EMS Ambulance Support Subsidy Agreement – Update

1. Chief sent Life EMS a letter on June 5th, 2025

B. 415 Wiley Road – Discussion

1. Dan Fox and Jane Verplank met Neal Siebert, Lisa Nocerini, Bernie Merkle, and Peter Stanislawski.
2. The meeting was over the overall cost.
3. Prepare a proposal and present it to City of Douglas.

13. New Business:

A. None

14. Correspondence:

A. None

15. Public Comments: *(Limit 3 Minutes)*

A. None

16. Fire Board Comments:

- A. Aldrich – Noe
- B. Beckman – None
- C. Fox – None
- D. Verplank – None
- E. Phelps - None
- F. Pullen – None
- G. North – None

17. Adjournment:

A. Meeting adjourned at 5:07pm.

NOTICE

Request for accommodations or interpretive services must be made 48 hours prior to this meeting.
Please contact Saugatuck Township Fire District at 269-857-3000 for further information.