



SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT

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FIRE DISTRICT “SPECIAL” BOARD MEETING

Saugatuck Township Hall

3461 Blue Star Highway, Saugatuck MI, 49453

11:00am – September 9th, 2025

Draft MINUTES

1. Call to Order:
2. Pledge of Allegiance (*Stand if you are able*):
3. Roll Call:
Saugatuck Township Fire District Fire Administrative Board
PRESENT: S. Aldrich, D. Fox, J. Verplank, T. Pullen, C. North
ABSENT: E. Beckman, S. Phelps
Also Present: Chief Greg Janik, D.C. Mantels, W. Bales, Mike Betts, C. Hosier

Saugatuck Township – Board of Trustees
Present: Stacy Aldrich, B. Marcy, J. Helmrich, A. Bigford, C. Osmen
Also Present: Daniel De Fanco – Manager, Peter Stanislawski
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*):
6. Public Comment on Agenda Items Only: (*The Fire Board requests that speakers respect the three-minute time limit for individual comments and the five-minute time limit for an individual speaking on behalf of a group. This is not a question-and-answer session, it is an opportunity to voice your thoughts with the Fire Board.*)
 - A. **None**
7. Unfinished Business:
 - A. **None**
8. New Business:
 - A. **Funding Presentation 415 Wiley Road – Presented by Bendzinski & Associates and Attorney Steve Mann.**
 1. **Robert Bendzinski and Attorney Steve Mann presented to the Saugatuck Township Board of Trustees the Bond Presentation for funding the 415 Wiley Road second Fire Station.**
 2. **Robert Bendzinski and Attorney Steve Mann explained the bond process to Saugatuck Township Board.**
9. Correspondence:
 - A. **None**
10. Public Comments: (*The Fire Board requests that speakers respect the three-minute time limit for individual comments and the five-minute time limit for an individual speaking on behalf of a group. This is not a question-and-answer, it is an opportunity to voice your thoughts with the Fire Board*)



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- A. Chief Greg Janik – Offered up comments for the need of a secondary fire station to meet the needs of personnel. He also addressed how a secondary station would be beneficial to the residents south of the Blue Star Highway Bridge pertaining to response times. This would include the peninsula, Oval Beach and Ox Bow.

- B. Jane Verplank – Thanked the Saugatuck Township Board of Trustees for considering collaborating with the Fire Board. We need this building and support. This is a great municipal project for all of us, and it looks good to the public that we work together. Thanked the Saugatuck Township Board of Trustees for helping the Fire Board achieve this goal.

11. Fire Board Comments:

Aldrich – None
Beckman - Absent
Fox – None
Verplank – None
Phelps - Absent
Pullen – None
North - None

12. Adjournment:

- A. Meeting adjourned at 11:42am

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.