

**SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 24, 2003**

A workshop meeting of the Saugatuck Township Fire District was held on Monday, February 24th, 2003 at the Fire Station. The meeting was called to order at 7:41 p.m.

Present: Raebel, Edgcomb, Kaye, Bekken, and Asbel.

Absent: None.

Also present: Chief Blok.

AUDIENCE

None

CHIEF BLOK'S REPORT

1. Tiara can not haul new boat because of height. The height of the boat is 14 ½ feet. Kaye and Blok will investigate other haulers.
2. Reviewed First Responder requirements: "What an EMS Call Requires". (Priority 3 calls are less than 30 per year) Further discussion regarding question by Chris Roerig.
3. Confined space air unit is in.
4. Pickup repair is completed.
5. Fill station (SCBA) Bauer Air Compressor required maintenance with a cost of \$1,700 for new parts. Service from West Shore was insufficient and new company has been utilized.
6. Rick Zoulek update: Since initial conversation, no other contact was made even though Chief attempted it. Kaye talked for one hour with Rick. He believed that a leave of absence would be made. Topics discussed: survey, board member discussion and other areas were talked about. Rick has been discussed and it is still felt that personnel committee should meet with Rick. (The Chief set up a meeting with Rick on Friday, 2/21/03 and Rick did not show up).
7. We have two open fire officer positions. Four possible candidates are considered.
8. Grants – money is becoming available and earmarked for equipment/some training. Key items described: fire and emergency resources, protective equipment, and communication. We will be looking for help in writing grants.
9. Maps submitted for Mutual Aide and agreements signed with Graafschap and Fennville. We will use these to increase our ISO rating.
10. Discussion of make-up and new structure of personnel committee to include a Fire Board representative and community member. **Motion by Kaye/Raebel to support expansion of personnel committee to include a community member and a Fire Board member.** Motion carried unanimously.
11. **Motion by Kaye/Raebel to appoint Jerry Bekken as Fire Board representative to the personnel committee.** Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, **Motion by Kaye/Asbel to adjourn at 9:10 p.m.** Motion carried unanimously.

Cliff Asbel, rec. sec.