

**SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING
JUNE 9, 2003**

A regular meeting of the Saugatuck Township Fire District was held on Monday, June 9th, 2003 at the Township Hall. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Raebel at 7:33 p.m.

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

Absent: None.

Also Present: Chief Blok.

MINUTES

Pertaining to the minutes of 5/12/03, **Motion by Kaye/Bekken to accept as presented.** Carried unanimously. Pertaining to the minutes of 5/28/03, Kaye commented on Greg Janik being an excellent choice for an officer. **Motion by Bekken/Edgcomb to accept as presented.** Carried unanimously. Pertaining to the minutes of 6/2/03, Kaye asked to correct a typo and attach a copy of the memo to the minutes. **Motion by Kaye/Bekken to accept as amended.** Carried unanimously.

BILLS & FINANCIAL REVIEW

- A. Discussion and approval of bills. Asbel asked about the air compressor purchase as to size and use, Raebel verified the change from Waste Management to Sunset Waste, Bekken asked about a Precision Fire part which Blok stated was necessary due to ISO findings. Kaye asked about the Tower Marine bill to unload the new boat, stating he had the understanding Tower would be performing in/out service and storage at no charge. Blok explained the unloading fee is valid and the department may have fees through Tower in the future due to RJ Peterson's statement that his offer for no charge service was for a 2nd fire boat and the department has ~~sold the River Queen and maintains only~~ decided to operate only 1 fire boat. Board discussed meeting with RJ. **Motion by Kaye/Bekken to accept the bills in the amount of \$10,633.17, payroll in the amount of \$12,562.50.** Carried unanimously.
- B. Financial Review. Kaye asked about the remaining City of Saugatuck tax money, Wright verified they forwarded the balance the first of June. Board discussed expenditures to date.
- C. Budget, Public Hearing Date. Board discussed that the Township has approved the amended budget, the City probably will approve tonight, Village will be meeting on the 16th and is expected to approve. Public Hearing will be June 23rd at 7:30 at the fire barn, Wright will notice the hearing in the Holland Sentinel and The Commercial Record.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Kaye asked if Asbel had an opportunity to review the member survey. Asbel stated no, Blok said he would have it available at the next workshop meeting at the fire barn.
- B. Raebel asked for an update on the Michigan State Police investigation, Wright stated there has been no word from the detective assigned to the investigation, Matt Doan. Board requested Wright contact Doan to get the current status.

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NEW BUSINESS

None.

CHIEF BLOK'S REPORT

- A. 190 calls to date, last year same time 185.
- B. Talked with local Police Chief who stated the police will be receiving a 4% pay raise which indicates the 3% pay raise for fire department employees is in line.
- C. 2 new defibrillators came in today, Blok asked if payment would be taken from the Memorial fund. Kaye stated they would address that during budget amendments.
- D. Certificates. 8 members completed school, all ~~past~~ passed.
- E. Fireworks. Blok made it known that the department is required to have a minimum of 8 personnel: 2 fire trucks with 2 people each and 4 medical people. He stated the time involved is usually 2 to 2 ½ hrs and noted the personnel involved are necessary to enable the fireworks take place.
- F. The Rick Zoulek survey will be presented at the next meeting
- G. Village of Douglas has given the department 20 tokens to use at the Schultz Park launch ramp gate. Tokens will be placed in each vehicle.

AUDIENCE

None.

Asbel asked Blok if the Coast Guard has been to the new fire boat for training purposes yet. Blok stated they will be available once the boat is ready. Asbel and Kaye expressed an interest in attending the training sessions.

There being no further business, **motion by Bekken/Kaye to adjourn at 8:15 p.m.** Carried unanimously.

Jane Wright, rec. sec.