

**SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP FIRE BOARD
REGULAR MEETING**

**MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2006, 7:30 p.m.
SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP HALL
3461 BLUE STAR HWY, SAUGATUCK, MICHIGAN 49453**

MINUTES

Chairman Kaye called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Members present: Chairman and Saugatuck City Representative Bill Kaye, Douglas City Representative Jerry Bekken, Saugatuck Township Representative Reggie Smith, At-Large Member Lance Winchester, and Chief John Blok.

Absent: At-large Member Cliff Asbel (arrived later).

Public comment began at 7:30 p.m. No comments were received. Ended 7:30 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: **Moved by Bekken, seconded by Winchester to approve minutes of February 13, 2006, Fire Board regular meeting, with no corrections.** (Asbel arrived at 7:31 p.m.) Motion to approve minutes carried unanimously. **Moved by Winchester, seconded by Smith to approve minutes of February 27, 2006, Fire Board workshop meeting, with no corrections.** Carried unanimously.

Approval of Bills, and Financial Review: Kaye asked for questions on the bills. Asbel asked about station generator repairs and Blok stated the battery and starter went bad and the work was maintenance that needed to be done. **Moved by Bekken, seconded by Asbel to approve paying the bills as presented.** General discussion about the financials to date took place. Kaye requested leaving \$100,000 in checking and move balance into the class pool account.

Correspondence: None.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: None.

Chief Blok's Report:

- A. MFR school starts March 14th in Allegan. Have 5 members attending through Kalamazoo College at a cost of \$350 each. The addition to our First Responder's will help a great deal.
- B. Calls YTD are 86, same time last year was 89.
- C. News article for recruitment resulted in one individual that has completed the interview process and will proceed with his physical. Two other individuals responded, but have not been accepted as of yet. Kaye asked how many are ready for fire fighter school. Blok stated we have 2 members and if the new individual becomes a member they will have 3 ready for school.
- D. Wild land fire fighter gear is in. We need to pay the bill then get copies of the cleared check to turn in to the DNR for reimbursement. Grant proceeds should be around \$3,000.

Kaye asked if the cause for a recent house fire has been determined. Blok stated no, the structure became engulfed extremely quickly due to being under construction with no drywall, however the houses on either side were saved.

There being no further business it was **Moved by Bekken, seconded by Smith to adjourn at 8:10 p.m.**
Carried unanimously.

Jane Wright, CMC, Township Clerk

Date

Bill Kaye, Chairman

Date