

**SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP FIRE BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING**

**MONDAY, APRIL 10, 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).

Kaye requested an addition to the agenda under Financial Review *Item D. Review of New Budget*. Board agreed.

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 March 13, 2006, Fire Board regular meeting, with no corrections.** Motion to approve minutes carried unanimously. (Asbel arrived at 7:35 p.m.) **Moved by Smith, seconded by Bekken to approve minutes of March 27, 2006, Fire Board workshop meeting, with no corrections.** Carried unanimously.

Approval of Bills, and Financial Review: Kaye asked for questions on the bills, having none it was **Moved by Bekken, seconded by Smith to approve paying the bills as presented.** Kaye asked for questions regarding payroll, having none it was **Moved by Winchester, seconded by Asbel to approve the payroll as presented.** Board reviewed the quarterly detail with no changes and general discussion about the financials to date took place. Blok stated they would be purchasing some radios out of this year's budget. Winchester presented the proposed budget and Board reviewed. Kaye noted presentation of budget to municipalities would take place in May and Board would be able to study the budget and approve during the next workshop meeting.

**Correspondence:** Douglas DDA Expansion: Bekken stated he and Winchester would attend the public hearing to represent the department's interest.

**Unfinished Business:** None.

**New Business:** None.

**Chief Blok's Report:**

- A. 121 calls to date this year, 140 same time last year.

- B. Department spent just over \$5,000 in total payroll for the latest fire in Douglas between the Graftschaap, Fennville, Ganges, and our own departments but the insurance companies will reimburse.
- C. Pagers are getting older and we are going to buy a few this year.
- D. \$100 check was received from Lynda Holmes with Century 21 as a thank you for the work to extinguish the Douglas fire.
- E. Hose ramps through West Shore are not available, but will look into purchasing direct from the company.
- F. Coal tar for the boat bottom has been ordered and Fucile will paint. No launch date set yet.

Kaye stated they have had 2 recent fires and he commended the department for how well the fires have been handled. Blok displayed a video of the Douglas fire created by past board member Marty Raebel.

There being no further business it was **Moved by Bekken, seconded by Kaye to adjourn at 8:45 p.m.**  
Carried unanimously.

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Jane Wright, CMC, Township Clerk

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Bill Kaye, Chairman

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