

**SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP FIRE BOARD
WORKSHOP MEETING**

**MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2006, 7:30 p.m.
SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP FIRE BARN
3342 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, At-large Member Cliff Asbel, and Chief John Blok.

Absent: None.

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

Proposed Budget Review:

Board discussed the proposed budget in detail. It was desired to increase the salary for Fire Inspector Greg Janik and Maintenance Officer Joe Fucile to \$38,300. To allow for the increase it was decided to eliminate the increases for Board Members, at the suggestion of the Chief hold the increase for the Chief to \$1,000, and reduce several expense items.

Chief Blok's Report:

1. Tanker truck slated for purchase this summer will experience a price increase of \$7,000 June 1st. Board discussed placing an order prior to the price increase. **Moved by Bekken, seconded by Winchester to order a Tanker Truck with Cummins power for \$116,719.** Carried unanimously. Blok stated the purchase will be through the same vendor that built the last truck.
2. Board addressed the proposed budget. **Moved by Smith, seconded by Bekken to approve the proposed budget with amendments as presented earlier.** Carried unanimously.
3. Discussion took place regarding cost recovery procedures. Costs from the recent fires will be recovered through insurance payments.
4. Blok discussed several items being bid out by the same government agency the department purchased the fire boat through.

There being no further business it was **Moved by Bekken, seconded by Smith to adjourn at 8:15 p.m.** Carried unanimously.

Cliff Asbel, At-Large Member

Date

Bill Kaye, Chairman

Date