

**SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP FIRE BOARD
WORKSHOP MEETING**

**MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2007, 7:30 p.m.
SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP FIRE BARN
3342 BLUE STAR HWY, SAUGATUCK, MICHIGAN 49453**

MINUTES

Chairman Kaye called the meeting to order at 7:40 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.

Public comment began at 7:40 p.m. No comments were received. Ended 7:40 p.m.

Chief Blok's Report:

1. An air compressor and fill station were purchased from Allegan County Fire Chiefs Association. It has been installed and is working great.
2. The Ganges Fire Department is purchasing our old compressor (just the compressor) for \$2,200.00
3. The Chief presented the incentive program year end report:
 - Incentive statement balance for 12/31/05 was \$118,155.44. The year end balance for 12/31/06 was \$132,400.76.
 - The incentive program for 2006 has been sent in with two members not meeting the criteria. However, they will be eligible again in 2007 if they meet the established requirements.
 - The incentive program was explained and is not a give-away program. It is an incentive program.
 - To be eligible for the incentive program, the participants must attend at least 10 meetings per year, a total of 24 hours of training at a minimum. They must also meet the bylaws requirement of attending 80% of the required calls.
 - The 80% requirement may be lowered somewhat for 2007. It will be determined by the Fire Board and the Chief in March.
4. The annual party will be on 1/27/07.
5. A letter was received from David and Mary Yoh. The letter was read and it complimented the Chief and the department for their help and response to the recent fire at their home.
6. The Chief will be on vacation in February. Greg Janik will be in charge. John and Greg will be in contact via two-way radio.
7. Township Clerk Jane Wright will be given the run statistics for the prior month by the 4th of each month. These are to be included with the board packets.

There being no further business it was **Moved by Bekken, seconded by Smith to adjourn at 8:30 p.m.**
Carried unanimously.

Lance Winchester, At-Large Member

Date

Bill Kaye, Chairman

Date