

**SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP FIRE BOARD
REGULAR MEETING**

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2007, 7:30 p.m.
SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP HALL
3461 BLUE STAR HWY, SAUGATUCK, MICHIGAN 49453**

MINUTES

Chairman Bill 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 Eric Beckman, At-Large Member Lance Winchester, and At-large Member Cliff Asbel.

Also present: Chief John Blok, and Deputy Chief Greg Janik.

Absent: None.

Kaye offered public comment. Receiving none, that portion of the meeting was closed at 7:30 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: **Moved by Bekken, seconded by Winchester to approve the minutes of November 12, 2007, Fire Board regular meeting.** Motion to approve as presented carried unanimously. **Moved by Bekken, seconded by Beckman to approve the minutes of November 26, 2007, Fire Board workshop meeting.** Motion to approve as presented carried unanimously.

Bills and Financial Review:

- A. Discussion and Approval of Bills. Kaye presented bills in the amount of \$20,936.72. **Moved by Winchester, seconded by Bekken to approve paying the bills as presented.** Kaye verified the winter storage bill for the fire boat is complete with haul out, wash, and outside storage. Motion to pay bills carried unanimously. Kaye presented payroll in the amount of \$23,607.35. **Moved by Winchester, seconded by Bekken to approve the payroll as presented.** Motion carried unanimously.
- B. Review of Financial Statements. Kaye verified the consumers energy deposit was indeed from a run reimbursement that took place 3 years earlier. Board reviewed the revenue vs. expenditure report and Wright verified 50K was transferred from the class pool to checking.

Correspondence: None.

Unfinished Business:

- A. Kaye asked what progress the Fire Code Board of Appeals has made. Blok stated there currently are no written applications for appeal on file, but they have met briefly and know their responsibilities.
- B. Kaye stated that he, Bekken, and Blok visited the Spencer facility in South Haven and are very comfortable doing business with them and having them build the new pumper truck.

New Business:

- A. Kaye noted the second monthly meeting for December falls on Christmas Eve. Board agreed to cancel the meeting.

Chief Blok's Report:

- A. Janik applied for a grant through the Allegan County Community Foundation for a lap top computer, software, and printer to be used for inspections in the amount of \$1,695.
- B. Received a check for \$500 from the Mt. Baldhead Challenge for standby medical personnel.
- C. As previously noted, we received a check from Consumers Energy to reimburse labor costs associated with supervising a downed power line.
- D. The monthly run report reflects a slow down for November. Blok noted the response times remain the same with a 10 minute delay between the First Responders and AMR.
- E. The department had 30 old A2 Scott Air Packs still available for use, but no longer the first line air pack. Blok stated he has considered donating some of them to other departments if they are needed. He received a call from West Shore Services saying a customer in Florida was interested in buying 12 of the old air packs for use in their pest control business. Blok sold 12 at \$50 each without air tanks. He added the Squirt truck has been listed for sale since August but with no offers yet he is thinking about offering it to a local department at a reduced amount.
- F. Would like to put a roof on the ATV with an enclosure. Received a bid of \$500 to construct a sheet metal roof, and we could then mount lights and turn signals to make it street legal. Kaye noted budgeted line items are tight and if Blok is comfortable with spending the air pack money on the ATV instead of other items that would be his administrative decision.

There being no further business it was **Moved by Bekken, seconded by Beckman to adjourn at 8:05 p.m.** Carried unanimously.

Jane Wright, CMC, Township Clerk

Date

Bill Kaye, Chairman

Date