

**SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP FIRE BOARD
WORKSHOP MEETING**

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2008, 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 Eric Beckman, At-large Member Lance Winchester, and At-Large Member Scott Phelps.

Also present: Chief John Blok and Attorney Mark Kinnaman.

Absent: None.

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

1. Kinnaman explained the decision on the Brink case, which was in favor of Brink. He stated the jury felt the inability to prove who started the fire, and Brink denying he did, prevented them from returning a guilty verdict.
2. Board recommends that Saugatuck Township strengthen the fire ordinances with word changes. Chief recommends that the cities of Douglas and Saugatuck have a strict no burn ordinance.
3. Kinnaman explained his bill. Original bill is \$3,740.00 and Kinnaman expects to be paid half and he will donate the other half to the Memorial Fund.
4. Cost Recovery Ordinance was discussed. Saugatuck City has not approved this ordinance at this time.
5. Insurance company rebate check of approximately \$3,000 to be sent out soon.
6. October 5th is the open house. Chief requested board members to attend. The new truck will be available at that time. Air Care should be there.
7. Ottawa County hazmat agreement has been signed and a representative from Ottawa County might attend the open house.
8. Chief checking with Macatawa Bank on interest rates for the new truck.

At 8:30 p.m. having no further business to come before the board they stood adjourned.

Eric Beckman, Recording Secretary

Date

Bill Kaye, Chairman

Date