

**SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP FIRE BOARD
WORKSHOP MEETING**

**TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2009, 7:30p.m.
SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP FIRE BARN
3342 BLUE STAR HWY, SAUGATUCK, MI 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, At-large Member Scott Phelps

Also Present: Chief John Blok

Absent: None

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

Chairmen Kaye opened the meeting explaining his current situation. He explained he has missed the last two meetings, one meeting he was working his new job and the other was due to sickness. He also explained that he would be missing more meetings in the short term, due to his current employment and suggested to the Saugatuck City Manager Kirk Harrier, that he resigns. Kirk asked him to stay on and work through this situation with the Board. He apologizes to the board and asked to work through this with him.

Chief's Report:

- Two dead pine trees need to be cut down between the parking lot and Blue Star Hwy. He believes they can take them down utilizing the equipment we have.
- 2 Letters from the Drain Commissioner about the Golf Drain. There will be an open meeting on June 4, 4:00pm at the Saugatuck Sr. /Jr. High School Library. They are trying to set up an assessment district and since we have 3 parcels that are involved we were informed. John will be attending.
- The sign on the fire barn needs attention. They will be taking it down to repaint / repair as needed.
- New rescue truck is at Spencer. The old truck is also being dismantled. The box is being worked on everyday. This should be completed next week. Still shooting for July 1st.
- The old cab and chassis will have value when stripped but the grant stipulation is that it cannot be sold to another fire service.
- Minor change to the budget to reflect the inclusion of a light tower on the rescue truck. This is part of money saved by purchasing a Demo unit.

At 7:43 p.m. having no further business to come before the board they stood adjourned.

Eric Beckman, Recording Secretary

Date

Bill Kaye, Chairman

Date