

**SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP FIRE BOARD
WORKSHOP MEETING**

Monday August 24, 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.

Also Present: Chief John Blok

Absent: At-large Member Scott Phelps

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

Chief's Report:

- The dead Pine trees on the east side of the parking lot should be taken down soon with the cooler weather coming.
- Currently 16 calls ahead of last year
- First Responder School:
 - The board did not budget for the First Responder School but feel it is extremely important and will amend the budget to cover the cost.
 - Will be holding a First Responder school for the 4 new Firefighters that were recently added.
 - Chief is also encouraging other Firefighters currently on the roster that are not First Responders to get certified. Final count not known for sure at this time.
- Saugatuck Public School:
 - Chief met with new Superintendent (Rolf Timmerman) and the Chief is happy to note that DPS is willing to cooperate with him and his staff. NOTE: the school has not been inspected by STFB for about 5 years!
 - DES principal (Teya Lober) stopped by to introduce herself to the Chief.
- Ford Pickup
 - Investigated the "Cash for Clunkers" offer but the truck was too old.
 - Chief will continue to keep his eye out for a used pickup that will work with our budget.

Board Concern:

The Old Broward building has not been inspected as of this meeting. Chief is working on the situation with Saugatuck Township.

At 8:10 p.m. having no further business to come before the board they stood adjourned.

Eric Beckman, Recording Secretary

Date

Bill Kaye, Chairman

Date