

**SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP FIRE BOARD
REGULAR MEETING**

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2009, 7:30 p.m.
SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP HALL
3461 BLUE STAR HWY, SAUGATUCK, MICHIGAN 49453**

MINUTES

Vice-Chairman Gerald Bekken called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Members present: Douglas City Representative Gerald Bekken, Saugatuck Township Representative Eric Beckman, At-Large Member Lance Winchester, and At-Large Member Scott Phelps.

Also present: Chief John Blok.

Absent: Saugatuck City Representative Bill Kaye.

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

Approval of Minutes: **Motion by Winchester, seconded by Beckman to approve the minutes of October 12, 2009, Fire Board regular meeting as presented.** Motion carried unanimously. **Motion by Beckman, seconded by Phelps to approve the minutes of October 26, 2009 Fire Board workshop meeting as presented.** Under Chief's Report, Blok suggested making "tree" plural and adding the word "dead" in front for clarity. Board agreed and the motion to approved the minutes **as amended** carried unanimously.

Bills and Financial Review:

- A. Discussion and Approval of Bills & Payroll. Bekken presented bills in the amount of \$10,380.77. **Motion by Winchester, seconded by Beckman to approve paying the bills as presented.** Motion to pay bills carried unanimously. Bekken presented payroll in the amount of \$30,988.85. **Motion by Phelps, seconded by Bekken to approve the payroll as presented.** Motion to approve payroll carried unanimously.
- B. Review of Financial Statements. Board asked to transfer money from the class pool into checking.

Correspondence:

- A. Wright stated she received an email from MERS that informed the Board if they want to consider adopting benefit E again for 2010 they will have to submit a request for calculating the Cost-of-Living-Adjustment cost along with a \$150 fee. Board discussion took place and there was a **Motion by Winchester, seconded by Phelps to approve \$150 for Cost-of-Living-Adjustment cost calculations through MERS.** Motion carried unanimously.

Unfinished Business:

- A. Winchester stated the Broward building has down been taken down.

New Business:

None.

Chief Blok's Report:

- A. Year to date runs are 499, same time last year is 476. Blok added we are currently at 515.
- B. Blok distributed updated copies of the new bylaws for signatures from board members.
- C. Boat has been shrink-wrapped for the winter at a cost of \$551.92.
- D. Wednesday night swine flu shots will be offered to all the departmental members by AMR at no cost.
- E. Used the Whaler to assist 2 duck hunters who had flipped their boat in the river.

There being no further business it was **Moved by Bekken, seconded by Winchester to adjourn at 8:00 p.m.** Carried unanimously.

Jane Wright, CMC, Township Clerk

Date

Gerald Bekken, Vice-Chairman

Date