

Approved
Proposed Minutes
Saugatuck Township Fire District
Saugatuck, Michigan, May 14, 2013

The Saugatuck Township Fire District Board (STFD) met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. at Saugatuck Fire Station, 3342 Blue Star Highway, Saugatuck, Michigan.

Chairperson Jane Verplank called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Jerry Bekken, Jim Wiley, Scott Phelps, Brad Rudich, Jane Verplank, Eric Beckman, Doug Clow.

Members Absent: None.

Also Present: Acting Chief Dane Schreckengust, Peter Stanislawski.

Approval of Agenda: Verplank asked for any additions or deletions to the agenda. Wiley asked for a review of Financial Statements.

Motion by Phelps to approve the minutes as amended, second by Beckman. Carried 5 to 0.

Acting Fire Chief Comments: The Tanker has been re-lined. New Squad equipment in and working out fine. New air compressor needed. Several quotes on compressors were presented. Motion by Phelps to purchase air compressor for under \$500, second by Beckman. No additional discussion. Motion carries 7-0. Fire Boat is in and working better. Sale of Engine #2 still ongoing, suggestion to wait until new chief is on board to make a decision. Schreckengust thanked the board for their work and Brent VanOss for his work.

Public Comments: None

Request for payment.

A. Accounts Payable and post audit amounts

Discussion on Accounts Payable bills. Motion by Phelps with second by Beckman to approve the bills in the amount of \$42,149.27. Discussion on specific items. Motion to pay bills carries 7-0.

B. Financial Statement discussion.

Peter Stanislawski explained that revenue was final for the 2012-2013 year. Operating expenses were over budget by roughly \$4000. As of May 14th, 2013 Fire Department had spent \$13,000 more than revenue brought in.

Unfinished Business: 2013-2014 Budget. Saugatuck City and Saugatuck Township had approved the millage increase. Douglas was to discuss at their May 20th meeting.

New Business:

A. Chief Selection. Discussion on interviews from Saturday May 11th. Scott Phelps made a motion to appoint Gregory Janik as Fire Chief for Saugatuck Township Fire District, contingent upon satisfactory negotiation of salary and benefit package, and contingent upon board review and approval of applicants criminal history, background and credit verification and upon successful completion of employment physical and drug testing. Second made by Beckman. Discussion of background information to be held by attorney. Attorney will let Fire Department know if there are any issues. References were checked and were excellent. Roll Call vote: Clow,

Phelps, Rudich, Wiley, Beckman, Bekken, Verplank, all vote yes. Motion carries 7-0.

Correspondence:

A. Morgan J Letter of support from Bill Kaye, former Chairman of Fire Board.

Reports of Officers and Committee Members: None

Public Comment: Linus Starring, Laketown Township, thanked the board for their work on the new chief selection.

Board comments: New Minute taker suggested for future meetings.

Adjournment. Motion to Adjourn made by Bekken. Meeting adjourned at 7:05.