

**SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2006, 7:00 p.m.  
SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP HALL  
3461 BLUE STAR HWY, SAUGATUCK, MICHIGAN 49453**

**MINUTES**

Supervisor Wester called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Members present:** Supervisor Bill Wester, Clerk Jane Wright, Treasurer Pat Knikelbine, Trustee Damien Jarzembowski, Trustee Chris Roerig.

**Members absent:** None.

Public comments were offered. Having none, public comment ended at 7:01 p.m.

Wester brought the consent agenda to the floor for approval:

- A. Accounts Payable
  - i. THE ALLEGAN GROUP through PREIN & NEWHOF  
Total to be paid \$6,548.10
  - ii. Checks issued to be post-audited  
(check register attached)
- B. Payroll (check register attached)
- C. Approval of Minutes
  - i. October 4, 2006 Regular Township Board Meeting

**Motion by Wright, seconded by Knikelbine to approve the agenda with one additional bill as presented.** Carried unanimously.

**Correspondence:**

None.

**Unfinished Business:**

- A. Update on Outdoor Wood Boiler Complaint. Wester stated the Zoning Administrator sent a letter informing the owner of an outdoor wood boiler of neighborhood complaints, and that he would be monitoring the smoke emissions from time to time to authenticate if they are in violation of existing ordinances.

**New Business:**

- A. Electronic Communications Policy Amendment. Wright stated the amendment allows for a Chairperson to contact a quorum by e-mail as well as the Clerk or Secretary. **Motion by Roerig, seconded by Jarzembowski to adopt the amendment to the electronic communications policy as presented.** Carried unanimously.
- B. Cost Recovery Ordinance. Fire Chief Blok was present in the audience and addressed the Board. He stated the ordinance would allow the fire department to recover costs associated with excessive false alarms, major accidents, hazardous chemical spills, or downed power lines. Board reviewed the ordinance language that had been drawn up by Manager Phil Quade. Roerig asked if we should have the Township Attorney approve the ordinance language. Discussion took place and there was a **Motion by Roerig, seconded by Knikelbine to have the Township Attorney review and approve the cost recovery ordinance language.** Carried unanimously.

- C. Douglas Cemetery Boundary Exchange. Wester stated Mark and Mary Bild have presented a boundary exchange proposal that would even out lot lines for their property and the Douglas cemetery property. Roerig verified there would be no cost to the Township. **Motion by Knikelbine, seconded by Roerig to approve the boundary exchange with Mark and Mary Bild as presented.** Carried unanimously.

**Committee Reports:**

- A. Planning Commission. Jarzembowski reported on several projects that came before the commission.
- B. Road Commission. Roerig reported the Old Allegan Road resurfacing project is now complete.
- C. Interurban. Knikelbine reported on the election of officers.
- D. Fire Authority. Wright reported the department is currently reviewing new software that would aid in inspections.
- E. Website & Newsletter Update. Roerig commended the mailing of the latest newsletter with a sample ballot included.

Public comment was offered. County Commissioner Candidate Terry Burns discussed the proposed Flying J truckstop in Laketown Township.

Wester stated if there is no further business that is to come before the Board, and having no objection, we stand adjourned. The time was 7:40 p.m.

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Jane Wright, CMC, Township Clerk

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Date

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Bill Wester, Township Supervisor

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Date