

**SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 2011, 6:00 p.m.
SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP HALL
3461 BLUE STAR HWY, SAUGATUCK, MICHIGAN 49453**

MINUTES

Supervisor Wester called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Supervisor Bill Wester, Clerk Jane Wright, Treasurer Pat Knikelbine, Trustee Chris Roerig, and Trustee Jim Hanson.

Members Absent: None.

Public Comment: Public comment was offered and statements were heard from R.J. Peterson, Judge Joe Skocelas, Larry Sybsema, Charlie Glane, Mary Ann Glane, Gerrit Sturrus. Hearing no further comments, public comment was closed at 6:25 p.m.

Approval of Agenda: Wester asked for any additions or deletions to the agenda, or changes to the consent agenda. Hearing none, Wester brought the consent agenda to the floor for approval.

- A. Accounts Payable
 - i. ALLIED WASTE through SMITH HAUGHEY RICE & ROEGGE
Total to be paid \$25,889.80
 - ii. Checks issued to be post-audited
(check register attached)
- B. Payroll (check register attached)
- C. Approval of Minutes
 - i. April 6, 2011 Regular Board Meeting
 - ii. April 18, 2011 Special Board Meeting
- D. Quarterly Review of Financial Statements

Motion by Hanson seconded by Knikelbine to approve the agenda as presented. Carried unanimously.

Correspondence: None.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

- A. Road Bids for Resurfacing 127th Ave from 63rd to 66th. Roerig reported Allegan County Road Commissioner Larry Brown has submitted bids for the project and recommends approving the low bid from Michigan Paving. **Motion by Roerig, seconded by Knikelbine to accept the low bid of \$135,691.70 from Michigan Paving & Materials and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the work order.** Motion carried unanimously.
- B. Road Bids for Resurfacing 64th St from 128th to 130th. Roerig reported Allegan County Road Commissioner Larry Brown has submitted bids for the project and recommends approving the low bid from Michigan Paving. **Motion by Roerig, seconded by Wright to accept the low bid of \$90,897.00 from Michigan Paving & Materials and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the work order.** Motion carried unanimously.

- C. Parks Commissioner Cliff Lewis, Letter of Resignation. Wright stated this is an elected position and as such there is a residency requirement to live within the jurisdiction. She added Lewis has sold his house in the township and will be moving to Holland. Wester verified the Board is required to address the resignation by motion. **Motion by Roerig, seconded by Hanson to accept the resignation of Parks Commissioner Cliff Lewis.** Roerig stated the commissioners are talking with a couple of interested people and will be recommending a replacement to the board. Motion carried unanimously.
- D. Appointment to Parks Commission. Discussion took place and it was agreed to table the appointment until the June meeting when a recommendation from the commission has been received.
- E. Spring & Fall Clean Up Days, Contract with Allied Waste. Wester stated there is a line on the township winter tax bill of \$25 for recycling fees. He added if you are not a resident of the township or if you opt out of paying the recycling fee, you are not eligible to utilize the clean up days as that fee pays for the Allied Waste contracts. **Motion by Knikelbine, seconded by Wright to approve the spring and fall contracts with Allied Waste to provide temporary roll-off service for 2011 clean up days.** Motion carried unanimously.

Committee Reports:

- A. Planning Commission. No report.
- B. Road Commission. No report.
- C. Interurban. No report.
- D. Fire Authority. Wright read a statement thanking John Blok for his many years of service to the community and expressed great appreciation for his role as a leader throughout his career as the Fire Chief. She then read from Fire Board minutes which stated the Fire Board has accepted Blok’s resignation and the actions taken to make a smooth transition to a new Chief.
- E. Supervisor’s Report. No report.
- F. County Commissioner’s Report. Burns thanked John Blok for his years as Fire Chief. He reported on the re-districting and the new District 1 will encompass Laketown, Saugatuck, and Manlius Townships as well as Saugatuck, Douglas, and Fennville Cities.

Public comment was offered at 6:35 p.m. and comments were received until 6:45 p.m.

Wester stated having no further business to come before the board we stand adjourned. Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Jane Wright, CMC; Township Clerk

Date