

**SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 6, 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, and Trustee Jim Hanson.

**Members Absent Excused:** Chris Roerig.

**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. ACCIDENT FUND through BILL WESTER  
Total to be paid \$15,940.12
  - ii. Checks issued to be post-audited  
(check register attached)
- B. Payroll (check register attached)
- C. Approval of Minutes
  - i. June 1, 2011 Regular Board Meeting
  - ii. June 8, 2011 Special Board Meeting
  - iii. June 9, 2011 Special Board Meeting
  - iv. June 27, 2011 Special Board & PC Joint Meeting

**Motion by Wright seconded by Knikelbine to approve the agenda as presented.** Carried 4 - 0.

**Correspondence:** None.

**Unfinished Business:**

- A. Planning Commission Appointments (2) and ZBA Appointment (1). Wester stated we have two Planning Commissioners whose terms have expired. Joe Milaukas who is interested in a reappointment and Steve Darpel who is not. Wester then recommended to reappoint Joe Milaukas. **It was moved and seconded to appoint Joe Milaukas to the Planning Commission for a new three year term.** Motion carried 4 to 0. Wester asked for board discussion regarding the other open seat which received two applicants, R.J. Peterson and Dayle Harrison, both interested in a new appointment. Hanson stated Dayle Harrison knows the township ordinances. Wester added Harrison has offered his services numerous times. **It was moved and seconded to appoint Dayle Harrison to the Planning Commission for a three year term.** Motion carried 4 to 0. Wester asked to address the expired term of Shawn Powers on the Zoning Board of Appeals, noting Powers would be interested in a reappointment. Hanson stated he has seen the ZBA in deliberation and noted Powers performs his duties well. **It was moved and seconded to appoint Shawn Powers to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a new three year term.** Motion carried 4 to 0.

**New Business:**

- A. Siegfried Crandall, Proposal for Annual Audit. Wright stated this is the CPA firm that does the annual audit and the proposal is for the same fee as last year of \$9,500. Wright stated they are very efficient and qualified. Knikelbine agreed and added they are very detailed in their work. **It was moved and seconded to award the contract for annual audit to Siegfried Crandall in an amount not to exceed \$9,500.** Motion carried 4 to 0.

**Committee Reports:**

- A. Planning Commission. Hanson stated they have the text for the Wind Energy Ordinance ready for attorney review. He added they held a public hearing on the Medical Marijuana Ordinance and are now waiting for attorney recommendation.
- B. Road Commission. No report.
- C. Interurban. No report.
- D. Fire Authority. Wright stated they received and reviewed 35 applicants for Fire Chief. She added they are in the interview phase now which includes participation from the Fire Board, Personnel Committee, and Officers.
- E. Supervisor's Report. Wester stated there is a public hearing on a proposed settlement with Saugatuck Dunes LLC set for July 18<sup>th</sup>. He added the Township has been identified as eligible for Charter Township status and the issue will be addressed at the August meeting.
- F. County Commissioner's Report. Burns spoke on current county matters.

Public comment was offered at 6:15 p.m. and comments were received until 6:22 p.m.

**Wester stated having no further business to come before the board we stand adjourned.** Meeting was adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

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Jane Wright, CMC; Township Clerk

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Date