

**SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 2012, 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, Trustee Chris Roerig and Trustee Jim Hanson.
Members Absent Excused: Treasurer Pat Knikelbine.

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

- A. Accounts Payable
 - i. ALLEGAN CO TREASURER through WE THE PEOPLE FLAG
Total to be paid \$16,692.34
 - ii. Checks issued to be post-audited
(check register attached)
- B. Payroll (check register attached)
- C. Approval of Minutes
 - i. March 7, 2012 Regular Board Meeting
 - ii. March 21, 2012 Special Board Meeting & Public Hearing

Motion by Hanson seconded by Wester to approve the agenda as presented. Carried 4 to 0.

Correspondence: None.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

- A. Judge Bill Baillargeon – Drunk Driving Presentation. Judge Baillargeon presented a video on drunk driving until 6:15 p.m.
- B. Phil Quade – Tri-Community Consolidation, Board Options for Public Hearing. Wester noted the meeting scheduled for April 11th is not a public hearing but rather a judicial meeting to consider the legality of the petitions. He added when a public hearing is scheduled township representatives will attend to voice concerns.
- C. ZBA Alternate Appointment. Wester tendered his resignation as an alternate member on the ZBA stating he wished to make room for other interested residents. **Motion by Roerig, seconded by Hanson to accept Westers resignation as an alternate member on the Zoning Board of Appeals.** Motion carried 4 to 0. Wester presented eight applications of individuals interested in an appointment to the ZBA. Discussion took place and applicants that were present in the audience stated their qualifications. Hanson noted it is heartening to see so many applicants. **Motion by Hanson, seconded by Wright to appoint Marcia Tucker to the vacant alternate position on the ZBA.** Roll call vote: Wright-yes, Roerig-yes, Hanson-yes, Wester-yes. Motion carried 4 to 0.

D. Vacant Structure Inspections. Hanson suggested applying the same inspection processes required of new homes and buildings for vacant or foreclosed structures. Board discussion took place and Hanson reported Al Ellingsen, the Building Inspector, thought such a process could be obtained through the dangerous building ordinance. Wester will ask Ellingsen for a recommendation.

Committee Reports:

- A. Planning Commission. Hanson stated the Planning Commission did not meet.
- B. Road Commission. No report.
- C. Interurban. No report.
- D. Fire Authority. No report.
- E. Supervisor's Report. Wester stated the settlement agreement with SDLLC was entered into court on Friday but no timeline for a decision was given.
- F. County Commissioner's Report. Terry Burns reported on the Lakeshore Coordinating Committee.

Public Comment: Wester opened the meeting to public comment at 6:31 p.m. and comments were heard until 6:45 p.m.

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

Jane Wright, Clerk

Date