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## SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP BOARD

Wednesday November 4, 2015, 6:00 p.m.  
Saugatuck Township Hall  
3461 Blue Star Hwy, Saugatuck, MI 49453

### Approved MINUTES

Supervisor Wester called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., with the pledge of allegiance.

**Members Present:** Bill Wester, Lori Babinski, Brad Rudich, Roy McIlwaine, Jonathan Phillips.

**Absent:** None.

**Also Present:** Manager Aaron Sheridan.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Approval of Agenda:** Wester asked for changes to the agenda. Rudich asked to move New Business, County Recycle Surcharge to item B. Rudich asked to add a bill to consent agenda. McIlwaine moved the agenda, second by Phillips. Agenda approved.

**Consent Agenda:** Wester asked for questions regarding the consent agenda. Rudich asked to add \$326.05 to bills to be paid, for the Linda Roerig Memorial plaque at dog park. McIlwaine asked if Southgate expenses were in yet, Sheridan stated that there were more to come. McIlwaine asked to amend the minutes to reflect the maximum expense of \$20,000. McIlwaine asked to amend Fire Board report, to reflect plan in place for pipeline spill. Wester made the motion to approve the consent agenda, McIlwaine seconded. Consent Agenda passes 5-0.

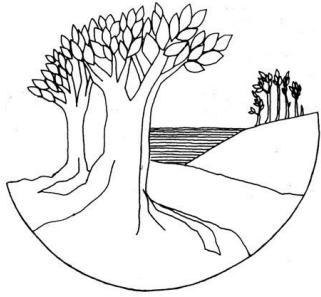
**Correspondence:** None.

### Unfinished Business:

- A. Tri-Community Master Plan agreement. Sheridan explained that the three communities were discussing a consultant to help finish the Master Plan. Township was waiting on agreement from City of Saugatuck. Wester tabled the discussion.

### New Business:

- A. Allegan Conservation District. Justin Burchett of the Allegan Conservation District gave a presentation about the Conservation District and explained the services they provide to the County residents.
- B. County Recycle Surcharge Agreement. Randy Rapp of Allegan County Health Department, stated that Saugatuck Township residents use the household hazardous waste and curbside recycling often. Rapp explained that this was a one year extension of the recycle agreement for \$25.00 per participating



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household. Allegan County was planning on having a ballot proposal for a 2016 August election.

Wester made the motion to approve the Recycle Surcharge Agreement, second by Rudich. Roll call vote: McIlwaine, Phillips, Wester, Babinski, Rudich, all vote yes. Motion passes 5-0.

- C. Township Hardship Guidelines. McIlwaine made the motion to pass the 2016 Township Hardship Guidelines, support from Wester. No Discussion. Roll call vote: Rudich, Babinski, Wester, Phillips, McIlwaine all vote yes. Motion passes 5-0.
- D. Dog Licenses. Sheridan explained that the Township could receive other revenue by selling dog licenses and would provide an additional service for Township residents. The Township could cancel the service at any time. Sheridan recommended the Board approve the sale of licenses, if the County would hold the Township harmless if there were any problems. Wester made the motion to approve the sale of licenses with a hold harmless caveat, second by Rudich. Roll call vote. Phillips, Wester, Babinski, Rudich, McIlwaine all vote yes. Motion passes 5-0.
- E. Audit 2014-2015. Sheridan explained that the Township audit went well. The Township now has 105% of the general annual operating expense budget in non-allocated fund balance. Sheridan stated that a long term capital asset fund would be a good idea for the future. Sheridan commended the board for adding to fund balance for the last three years and at the same time the Township has improved the offices and computer server.
- F. Road Maintenance Work Orders. Sheridan explained the projects include: resurfacing of Bandle St., 129<sup>th</sup> Ave. from 66<sup>th</sup> to I-196, 66<sup>th</sup> from Cemetery St. to 135<sup>th</sup> Ave., 65<sup>th</sup> St. from Riverside Rd. to 128<sup>th</sup> Ave. Fog and chip seal 63<sup>rd</sup> from Old Allegan to 136<sup>th</sup> Ave., and 60<sup>th</sup> from Old Allegan to cul-de-sac. Calcium chloride will be applied to Dugout Rd., 60<sup>th</sup> from 126<sup>th</sup> Ave. to 128<sup>th</sup> Ave., Riverside Rd. from 62<sup>nd</sup> to 128<sup>th</sup> Ave., and 126<sup>th</sup> Ave. Lakeshore Drive to I-196. Guardrail at Windwood Lane. Phillips made the motion to approve the listed road work orders for 2016, second by Wester. Motion passes 5-0.

## Committee Reports:

- A. Planning Commission. PC gave approval for SAU to William Wester for golf cart sales. Discussed Tri-community Master Plan and process. Rental dwelling update to PC by Z.A. Kushion.
- B. Road Committee. No report.
- C. Interurban. Election of officers, all stay the same.
- D. Fire Board. McIlwaine stated there was an increase in Auto incidents of 118% over last year. Cost recovery was going well. Fire Department was billing for an illegal burn and for the Stanley Cup event. Fire Department was talking with the High School about on-call services charges. The Fire open house had about 500 people stop by.
- E. Harbor Authority. No report.
- F. Open Board Report. None.

There being no further business, Wester declared the meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

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Brad Rudich, Clerk