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SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP BOARD

Thursday February 18, 2016, 3:00 p.m.
Saugatuck Township Hall
3461 Blue Star Hwy, Saugatuck, MI 49453

APPROVED MINUTES

Supervisor Wester called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

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

Absent: Jonathan Phillips.

Public Comment: None.

Approval of Agenda: No changes.

Correspondence: None.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

- A. Saugatuck Township Fire Department Resolution to Acquire Equipment. Wester asked Chief Janik about a previous equipment purchase. Janik reported that the new pumper truck purchased in 2013 was incorrectly rated from the manufacturer and had safety issues. The Fire Department sold the pumper to Leland Fire Department. Saugatuck Township Fire Department found a replacement vehicle in West Virginia, and in that process found that the bank would require all the municipalities to finance the vehicle for the Fire Department. Rudich asked Fire Department accountant Peter Stanislawski why the municipalities have to go through this financing process for this purchase. Stanislawski stated that based on statutes, Authorities cannot borrow money. The three municipalities would be the actual borrowers for the Fire Department. Rudich commented that the Township would be required to place the Liability on the Township Balance Sheet, Stanislawski agreed. Future purchases could possibly be leased, but future purchases would have to go through this same procedure. Roughly \$68,000 would be paid down on the truck and \$200,000 was to be financed over 5 years. Discussion on slight modifications to correct clerk's name and page numbering. Rudich made the motion to adopt the Resolution to Adopt the Acquisition and Finance Contract to purchase Fire truck. McIlwaine supported. Roll call vote: Rudich, Wester, Babinski, McIlwaine; all vote yes. Resolution passes 4-0.

There being no further business, Wester declared the meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Brad Rudich, Clerk