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## SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP BOARD

Wednesday May 4, 2016, 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, Jonathan Phillips, Roy McIlwaine.

**Absent:** None.

**Also Present:** Manager Aaron Sheridan.

**Public Comment:** Bob Genetski introduced himself as a candidate for Allegan County Clerk. Joe Milauckas of Lake Shore Dr. asked if the Township could follow up on his communication to Allegan County concerning the Lakeshore interceptor drain and other interceptor drains.

**Approval of Agenda:** Rudich asked to add correspondence from Joe Milauckas and Charlotte and Patrick Stewart and New Business items of County Road Bids and Cemetery Millage Renewal. McIlwaine made the motion to approve agenda as amended, second by Wester. No discussion. Motion passes 5-0.

#### Approval of Invoices and Minutes:

- A. Accounts Payable Invoices to be paid.
  - a. Aaron Sheridan through WMRCA. Total to be paid \$6,675.93.
- B. A/P check register to be post-audited.
- C. Payroll check register.
- D. Approval of Minutes.
  - a. April 6, 2016 Meeting.

Rudich made the motion to approve the Invoices and Minutes as amended, second by McIlwaine. No discussion. Motion passes 5-0.

#### Correspondence:

- A. Peter Cieply, Charlotte and Patrick Stewart discussed Township broadband coverage. Wester suggested setting up a separate meeting to discuss options and concerns.
- B. Elizabeth Wester-Holley, Internet Purchase Safe Area. Request for local safe area to exchange internet purchases. Discussion on safety exchange areas.
- C. Joe Milauckas, Interceptor Drain.
- D. Charlotte and Patrick Stewart, Broadband speed.

#### Unfinished Business:

- A. None.

**New Business:**

- A. Saugatuck Township Fire Department Budget. Fire Rep. McIlwaine explained that the new budget featured no millage increase, and a well planned capital replacement schedule. McIlwaine explained that total calls have increased dramatically. Chief Janik explained that retirement funding was changed. Discussion on staffing and insurance. Discussion on boat maintenance. McIlwaine made the motion to approve the Fire Budget, Phillips seconded. No Discussion Motion passes 5-0.
- B. Health Insurance Renewal. Wester asked about the health insurance increase. Sheridan stated there was only a 3% increase. Tabled to be discussed at budget hearing on May 19th at 3:00.
- C. Budget Amendment Workshop Discussion. 2015-2016 Budget Amendments. Rudich stated that there were not many amendments to be made. Discussion about decreases in homestead denials revenue and inspections. Tabled to be discussed at hearing.
- D. Budget Workshop Discussion. 2016-2017 Budget. Tabled to be discussed at hearing. McIlwaine asked to discuss Supervisor salary at Budget Workshop.
- E. Cemetery Recapture. Sheridan explained that Joyce Inch had two cemetery plots that she wanted to sell back to the Township for \$120.00 each. Wester made the motion to reimburse Inch for plots, Babinski supported. No discussion. Motion passes 5-0.
- F. Township Appointments. Rudich made the Supervisor and Manager aware of expiring board terms for June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- G. County Road Bids. Wester made the motion to approve 2016 County road bids, Rudich supported. No Discussion. Motion passes 5-0.
- H. Cemetery Millage Renewal Resolution. Resolution to put cemetery millage renewal on the ballot. Rudich made the motion to , Phillips Rudich, Wester, Babinski, Phillips, McIlwaine all vote yes. Resolution passes 5-0.

**Committee Reports:**

- A. Planning Commission. Approved Singapore Trails PUD on Blue Star.
- B. Road Committee. No report.
- C. Interurban. Babinski reported that minutes were available on the Interurban website.
- D. Fire Board. Suites of Saugatuck gave a nice donation. New home owners will be presented with green house numbers. There will be no fragmites burn this year.
- E. Harbor Commission Report. Jon Helmrich noted that the subcommittee on the Township entry into the Harbor Commission had met several times and would soon present a plan to the Township.
- F. Open Board Report. None.

**Public Comment:** None.

There being no further business, Wester declared the meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Brad Rudich, Clerk