

**SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP  
BOARD MEETING  
NOVEMBER 5, 2003**

A regular meeting of the Saugatuck Township Board was held on November 5, 2003 at the Township Hall. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Gudith, and led in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Gudith, Wright, Knikelbine, Shanahan, and Roerig.

Absent: None.

**AUDIENCE**

Gudith introduced 2 SHS government students, Chad Scholten and Jason Kaye.

**ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

Wright asked to add under *New Business, Item A. Resoultion adopting credit card policy*, and *Item B. MTA annual educational conference*. Gudith asked to add under *New Business, Item C. Information on speed limit on 134th and Unfinished Business, Item B. Water Testing Ordinance*.

**MINUTES**

Pertaining to the minutes of 10/15/03. **Motion by Knikelbine/Gudith to accept as presented.** Carried unanimously.

**BILLS**

Wright asked to make an addition to the bills in the amount of \$84.00. **Motion by Wright/Roerig to accept general fund, cemetery fund, and sewer debt bills in the amount of \$14,919.58.** Carried unanimously.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- A. Meeting dates for winter months. Gudith reported a discussion from the prior meeting that suggested limiting the number of meetings to one for November, December, January, and February. Roerig acknowledged that we have not had much business to discuss lately and liked the idea of holding one meeting. **Motion by Knikelbine/Wright to hold one meeting per month for November through February, and the meeting will be held on the first Wednesday of the month.** Motion carried unanimously.
- B. Water testing ordinance. Board agreed with the final language as presented by the attorney and discussed holding an informational public hearing. Gudith stated a public hearing is not required and that if adopted would become effective 30 days after publishing a summary in the paper. **Motion by Gudith/Shanahan to adopt the water testing ordinance as presented.** Roll call vote: Knikelbine-yes, Wright-yes, Shanahan-yes, Gudith-yes, Roerig-yes. Motion passed unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Resolution adopting credit card policy. Wright stated the auditors are now requesting governmental entities adopt a written policy authorizing the use and outlining the procedures to follow for credit card transactions. She presented the board with a resolution that would comply with Michigan Act 266 of 1995. **Motion by Roerig/Knikelbine to adopt the resolution as presented.** Motion carried unanimously.
- B. MTA annual educational conference. Wright asked if anyone was planning on attending MTA's annual educational conference. Board discussed the benefits, and the Clerk and Treasurer indicated interest in attending. **Motion by Roerig/Shanahan to authorize the appropriate expenditures for the Clerk and**

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**Treasurer to attend conference.** Motion carried unanimously.

- C. Information on speed limit for 134<sup>th</sup> Ave. Gudith stated the township received a letter from a resident of 134<sup>th</sup> Ave asking for a reduction in the speed limit. He added the MSP and county road commission have agreed to post a speed limit for the road of 40 mph.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Planning Commission. Shanahan stressed the need to improve efficiency with the meeting agendas. Board discussion took place and supported the position.
- B. Road Commission. Roerig is waiting to hear from the county road commissioner for his recommendation on Old Allegan Road as well as 131<sup>st</sup> and 62<sup>nd</sup> St. improvements. He will be reviewing the recommendations for input into the five year plan.
- C. Interurban. No report.
- D. Fire Authority. No report.
- E. Web Site/Newsletter Update. Roerig reminded Wright and Knikelbine to write articles for the winter newsletter.
- F. Triangle Water. Gudith reported the completion of the water system for the triangle area and his attendance at the ceremony.

**AUDIENCE**

Judith Schneider of 207 Maple stated concerns with planning commission meetings. Tim Glinski, 284 Riverview spoke in regard to firearms in the township between the bridges.

There being no further business, **Motion by Gudith/Shanahan to adjourn at 7:42 p.m.** Motion carried unanimously.

Jane Wright, CMC  
Township Clerk