

**SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP  
BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 1, 2004**

A regular meeting of the Saugatuck Township Board was held on September 1, 2004 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: Henry Gudith, Jane Wright, Pat Knikelbine, Dan Shanahan, and Chris Roerig.

Absent: None.

**AUDIENCE**

- A. Judge George Corsiglia. Steve Sheridan introduced Judge Corsiglia who is running with opposition in November and spoke in support of his candidacy. Corsiglia then recounted his experience in the Allegan courts and asked for community support. Roerig asked Corsiglia's opinion on the proposed millage for a new jail. He stated changes have to be made to the county jail, adding the millage would produce the necessary funds to construct a new one.

**ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

None.

**MINUTES**

Pertaining to the minutes of 8/4/04. **Motion by Knikelbine/Shanahan to accept as presented.** Carried unanimously. Pertaining to the minutes of 8/18/04. **Motion by Gudith/Shanahan to accept as presented.** Roerig asked to include "excused" before "absent". Motion to accept minutes as amended carried unanimously.

**BILLS**

**Motion by Wright/Roerig to accept general fund and cemetery fund bills in the amount of \$15,803.88.**

Carried unanimously.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Doug Gritter, Maple Greens Water Connection Fees. Wright requested to remove the agenda item due to the fact that Gritter was not present in the audience and no written correspondence was received.
- B. BS&A Building Permit Program. Knikelbine explained the program would work in connection with the assessment program and allow the office to track building and other permits through the computer. Wright stated she did not have the cost of the program available. Board asked to table the agenda item until the next meeting when more information on the program would be included in the packet.
- C. Shanahan asked to report on the upcoming Mt. Baldhead Challenge, explaining where monies from the 5K run have been distributed in the past.
- D. Roerig congratulated audience member Damien Jarzembowski for his victory in the primary election as Township Trustee.

**MANAGERS REPORT**

None.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Planning Commission. Shanahan presented the Tri-Community Master Plan that is being worked on by all

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three communities. He stressed the importance of the document in that it will shape the future of the area and asked all to remain involved.

- B. Road Commission. Roerig reported construction of 126<sup>th</sup> Ave is in progress, and that 131<sup>st</sup> and 62<sup>nd</sup> will be starting soon. Gudith complimented the resurface job on Lakeshore Dr.
- C. Interurban. Kinkelbine stated they had a record all time increase in ridership during the month of July and the Board approved funding for an employee appreciation day.
- D. Fire Authority. Wright stated Chief John Blok will be running as a write in candidate for County Commissioner. Board discussed the receipt of grant monies that will be used for new air packs and turn out gear. Wright added the department has applied for another grant.
- E. Web Site/Newsletter Update. Roerig thanked the Board for the funding of new web tabs for the cemeteries and road projects stating they are installed and working well.

**AUDIENCE**

None.

There being no further business, **Motion by Kinkelbine/Roerig to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.** Motion carried unanimously.

Jane Wright, CMC  
Township Clerk