

**SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP BOARD AND
SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
SPECIAL JOINT MEETING**

**MONDAY, JUNE 27, 2011, 5:00 p.m.
SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP HALL
3461 BLUE STAR HWY, SAUGATUCK, MICHIGAN 49453**

MINUTES

Supervisor Wester called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and stated the reason for the special meeting is to consider going into closed session to consult with attorneys regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with specific pending litigation. He added the two bodies may discuss matters of common interest raised by Board or Commission members in open session.

Board Members Present: Supervisor Bill Wester, Clerk Jane Wright, Treasurer Pat Knikelbine, Trustee Chris Roerig and Trustee Jim Hanson.

Planning Commission Members Present: Chairman Larry Edris, Members Joe Milaukas, Bill Rowe, Maggie Conklin, Sandy Rausch, and Jim Hanson.

Members Absent: PC Member Steve Darpel.

Also Present: Attorneys Ron Bultje and Craig Noland, Township Planner Mark Sisson.

Motion by Wester, seconded by Roerig to have the Board enter into closed session to consult with attorneys for the reason stated at the call to order. Roll call vote: Knikelbine-yes, Wright-yes, Wester-yes, Hanson-yes, Roerig-yes. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion by Rausch, seconded by Hanson to have the Planning Commission enter into closed session to consult with attorneys for the reason stated at the call to order. Roll call vote: Edris-yes, Milaukas-yes, Rowe-yes, Conklin-yes, Rausch-yes, Hanson-yes. Motion carried 6 to 0.

Open session was suspended at 5:05 p.m.

Open session was reconvened at 6:27 p.m.

Wester opened the meeting for public comment. Hearing none, that portion of the meeting was closed. Wester then asked for discussion of common interest matters. Edris stated the Planning Commission will be discussing a medical marijuana ordinance, zoning boundary issues, as well as the Wind Energy Ordinance. Wester stated any correspondence sent to Attorney Bultje should be copied to him as well. The proposed medical marijuana ordinance was discussed and questions were raised and answered by Bultje. Milaukas stated the Harbor Committee needs a new appointment to replace Dave Engle who recently resigned his position. Wester requested a notice for the open position be published in the paper and the Board will address the appointment at its August regular meeting.

Motion by Wester, seconded by Wright to adjourn the special board meeting. Motion carried unanimously. **Motion by Rowe, seconded by Rausch to adjourn the special planning commission meeting.** Motion carried unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Jane Wright, CMC; Township Clerk

Date