

**SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2012, 6:00 p.m.  
SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP HALL  
3461 BLUE STAR HWY, SAUGATUCK, MICHIGAN 49453**

**MINUTES**

Supervisor Wester called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

**Public Comment:**

- A. Robin Bauer, Rotary Presentation for Fireworks. Bauer stated they are interested in taking ownership of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks and parade. Hanson verified they would not be interested in Venetian or New Years. Bauer stated they would be finalizing bids by the end of October.
- B. Bob Genetski, State Representative Legislative Update. Genetski reported the budget has been completed with an increase in spending for Medicare and existing commitments from the prior administration. He stated they approved a low interest loan program for farm aid.

Hearing no further public comment that portion of the meeting was closed at 6:15.

**Approval of Agenda:** Wester asked for any additions or deletions to the agenda, or changes to the consent agenda. Hanson requested to add under *New Business, Item D. Insurance Discussion*. Hearing no further changes, Wester brought the consent agenda to the floor for approval.

- A. Accounts Payable
  - i. ACCIDENT FUND through MARK SISSON  
Total to be paid \$44,652.61
  - ii. Checks issued to be post-audited  
(check register attached)
- B. Payroll (check register attached)
- C. Approval of Minutes
  - i. August 1, 2012 Regular Board Meeting

**Motion by Hanson seconded by Roerig to approve the agenda as amended.** Carried 4 to 0.

**Correspondence:**

- A. KLSWA, Request to Waive Fees. Hanson stated we already have a \$500 Planner charge for the project and discussion took place. Board agreed to deny the request.
- B. Al Ellingsen, Request to Share Educational Expenses. Board acknowledged this is an annual request and there was a **Motion by Hanson, seconded by Wester to approve the request to share educational expenses for the building inspector to attend required continued educational classes in an amount not to exceed \$287.** Carried 4 to 0.
- C. Al Ellingsen, Request to Increase Per Inspection Wage. Board discussed the \$5 per inspection increase in building inspections and noted it is the same increase awarded to the plumbing, mechanical, and electrical inspectors last month. **Motion by Hanson, seconded by Wester to approve a \$5 increase in building inspections from \$35 paid to \$40 paid per inspection.** Carried 4 to 0.

**Unfinished Business:**

- A. STFD Proposed Restated Rules & Bylaws. Wester stated he met with Fire Chief Brian Florey and Fire Board Chairman Bill Kaye and could not get anywhere with them. Hanson presented a re-written paragraph 1A which would change the number of years a board member's term is from 6 to 3 years, and the make-up of the 5 member board from 1 from each municipality and 2 at large members to 1 from each City and 2 from the Township and 1 at large member. **Motion by Hanson, seconded by Roerig to adopt the STFD restated rules as amended.** Wester asked for a roll call vote: Hanson-yes, Wright-yes, Roerig-yes, Wester-yes. Motion carried 4 to 0.

**New Business:**

- A. Allegan Co Health Department, Award Recycling Bid. Recycling Coordinator Ben Williams was present and asked to approve the low bid which would change the service from bins to 96 gallon carts on wheels. Board discussion took place and there was a **Motion by Roerig, seconded by Hanson to accept the low bid and award the 5 year contract to Republic for "type D" service and authorize the Supervisor to execute the contract.** Motion carried 4 to 0.
- B. KLSWA Resolution/Supplemental Agreement for State Loan. KLSWA Manager Daryl VanDyke was present and requested the Board approve the Supplemental Agreement and Non-Litigation Certificate as requested by their attorney to go forward with the State Loan enabling the Authority to perform necessary improvements to the facility. **Motion by Roerig, seconded by Wright to adopt the Resolution to Approve and Authorize Execution of Supplemental Agreement for the State Revolving Fund Program and to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the Non-Litigation and Signature Identification Certificate.** Motion carried 4 to 0 and resolution was declared adopted.
- C. ZBA Request to Retain New Legal Counsel. Wester reported members of the ZBA have discussed the possibility of retaining new legal counsel for the upcoming ZBA decision on the McClendon development. Board discussed the advantages of retaining current attorney Bultje due to his case history knowledge and of the applicant. Wester also noted the firms that have been approached are quoting hourly fees close to double what is currently being paid. Board agreed the time necessary to get up to speed would not be cost effective and denied the request.
- D. Insurance Discussion. Hanson stated he has talked with the Manager about our insurance and he is now requesting a meeting with the new broker and will report back to the Board.

**Committee Reports:**

- A. Planning Commission. Hanson reported they approved the site plan for KLSWA.
- B. Road Commission. Roerig reported they have initiated the second roadside mowing and getting ready for paving 128<sup>th</sup>.
- C. Interurban. No report.
- D. Supervisor's Report. Wester reported meeting with the Fire Chief and Fire Board Chair with no results.
- E. County Commissioner's Report. Burns brought in new county maps.

**Public Comment:** Wester opened the meeting to public comment. Hearing none **Wester stated having no further business to come before the board we stand adjourned.** Meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.