

**SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 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 Brad Rudich, Treasurer Lori Babinski, Trustee Roy McIlwaine and Trustee Jonathan Phillips **Members Absent:** None.

Public Comment: Wester stated a request from the board to hear public comment before the start of the meeting as well as the end. Jane Dickie, Old Allegan Rd, commented.

Approval of Agenda: Wester asked for any additions or deletions to the agenda, or changes to the consent agenda. Wester brought the consent agenda to the floor for approval with roll call votes.

- A. Accounts Payable
 - i. ALLEGAN CO CLERK through SCOTT VANDERLIP
Total to be paid \$65795.28
 - ii. Checks issued to be post-audited
(check register attached)
- B. Payroll (check register attached)
- C. Approval of Minutes
 - i. November 7, 2012 Regular Board Meeting

Motion by Wester, seconded by Phillips, to approve the agenda as amended. Roll call vote: Babinski, Phillips, McIlwaine, Rudich, Wester, vote to approve.

Correspondence:

- A. Letter from Dick Waskin to Township Board and Planning Commission.
- B. Letter from Myers, Nelson and Dillon. Mr. Bruinsma on behalf of Singapore Dunes, LLC was withdrawing its objection to Dayle Harrison's participation in the review process.

Unfinished Business:

- A. STFD Proposed Restated Rules & Bylaws. McIlwaine and Rudich went before the Douglas City council and Douglas agreed that the 6 year terms were too long, but questioned the reasons to change the Fire Board member make up. Rudich stated they were talking with the Saugatuck City the same week. It was agreed to postpone until January any decision until after talking to Saugatuck City.
- B. Insurance Discussion. Township attorney Ron Bultje had strong doubts as to recovering legal fees from the insurance company, Manager Quade agreed. Wester stated that the Board could revisit if necessary.

New Business:

- A. New Board appointments. Board of Review; discussion on Chris Lozano and Dee Dee Hanson. Motion to appoint Jan Shashaquay, Don Maeder and Chris Lozano to Board of Review, Dee Dee Hanson; Alternate, made by Phillips, second by Rudich. Wester recused himself. Roll Call vote, Phillips, McIlwaine, Rudich, and Babinski vote yes. Planning Commission; discussion on Township Board

recommendation. Wester made motion to approve Rudich to Planning Commission, second by McIlwaine. Roll Call vote, McIlwaine, Rudich, Wester, Babinski and Phillips, vote yes. Road Committee; discussion on Phillips. Motion by Wester to appoint Phillips to Road Committee, second by Babinski. Roll Call vote, Rudich, Wester, Babinski, Phillips, and McIlwaine, vote yes.

- B. Resolution 2012-11, Wester asked Aaron Sheridan to explain, this brings the office in compliance with Michigan Public Act 116 of 1992 pertaining to protecting digital records. Motion to adopt by Rudich, seconded by Wester. Resolution adopted by roll call vote. Wester, Babinski, Phillips, McIlwaine, Rudich voting yes.
- C. Manager proposed salary for Aaron Sheridan. Phil Quade commented on transition. Quade stated that Treasurer and Clerk had agreed upon salary of \$42,513. Quade stated that he believed Sheridan was an equal part of the transition team and that his salary should be the same. Discussion on Sheridan's current salary, former Clerk's salary. Quade suggested that a half year budget report would be done in January and we could revisit Sheridan's salary. Wester moves to approve treasurer and clerk salary, no change to Sheridan's salary, McIlwaine second. Roll Call, McIlwaine, Rudich, Wester, Babinski, Phillips all yes.
- D. Transition salaries. Wester brought to the board the question of paying former clerk and treasurer full time salary and health insurance through December. Quade stated that the former treasurer and clerk would still be working and available after the year end. Quade stated that he e-mailed the board and those up for election on September 17th, describing payment. No action was taken.
- E. MTA training. Rudich, Babinski, Phillips and McIlwaine will attend.

Committee Reports:

- A. Planning Commission. No report
- B. Road Commission. No report
- C. Interurban. No report
- D. Supervisor's Report. Wester reiterated Dayle Harrison recusal request was being dropped.
- E. County Commissioner's Report. Terry Burns reported. Lakeshore coordination council is looking for a local detox facility.

Public Comment: Wester opened the meeting to public comment. Marcia Perry, Blue Star Hwy, recommended Citizen Planner. Larry Dickie, Old Allegan Rd., hoped the planning commission's first order of business would be to re-instate Harrison. Dick Waskin, Heron Bay Ridge, commented.

Hearing no further comments,

Wester stated having no further business to come before the board we stand adjourned. Meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Brad Rudich, Clerk

Date