

**SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2013 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 Jonathan Phillips and Trustee Roy McIlwaine.

Members Absent: None.

Public Comment: Gerrit Sturrus, Old Allegan Rd., spoke on possible KLSWA land fill.

Approval of Agenda: Wester asked for any additions or deletions to the agenda, or changes to the consent agenda. Rudich requested to add under *New Business, Item C. ZBA legal discussion revisited, to add correspondence from Joe Milauckas. Also under New Business, add Item D. Internet Technology.* Hearing no further changes, Wester brought the consent agenda to the floor for approval.

A. Accounts Payable

- i. ALLEGAN CO CLERKS ASSOC. through THE KERNS GROUP
Total to be paid \$536,986.96
- ii. Checks issued to be post-audited
(Check register attached)

B. Payroll (check register attached)

C. Approval of Minutes

- i. December 5, 2012 Regular Board Meeting

Motion by Wester was seconded by Rudich to approve the agenda as amended. Carried 5 to 0.

Correspondence:

- A. .Karen Fifelski wrote to address fracking concerns.

Unfinished Business:

- A. STFD Proposed Restated Rules & Bylaws. Discussion on bylaw changes. Motion to adopt Resolution 2013-1, Restated Rules & Bylaws of Saugatuck Township District Fire Department, made by McIlwaine, was seconded by Wester. Roll call vote: Babinski, Phillips, Wester, McIlwaine, Rudich vote yes.
- B. Cemetery Agreement. Discussion on possibility of a cemetery agreement with Cities of Saugatuck and Douglas. McIlwaine, Wester and Manager Quade will meet with representatives from the Cities to work on new agreement.

New Business:

- A. 2013 Summer Tax Collection Agreement with Saugatuck Public Schools. Discussion on agreement. Motion to adopt Resolution 2013-2, 2013 Summer tax collection agreement, made by Wester, seconded by Phillips. Resolution adopted by roll call vote, Rudich, Babinski, Phillips, Wester, McIlwaine voting yes.

- B. Office staff. Discussion on hiring part-time office assistant. Tabled until Manager job search begins. Rudich will contact MTA on Manager job descriptions.
- C. ZBA legal discussion revisited. Correspondence from Joe Milauckas read by Wester. Mark Putnam of ZBA discussed request for new legal counsel. McIlwaine and Wester will serve on a committee with a ZBA member and two planning commission members to recommend legal counsel direction.
- D. Internet Technologies. Discussion on wireless internet for the Township. Jonathan Phillips will work with Aaron Sheridan and Mark Putnam to look into wireless update.

Committee Reports:

- A. Planning Commission. Rudich reported.
- B. Road Commission. Phillips no report.
- C. Interurban. Babinski no report.
- D. Supervisor's Report. No report.
- E. County Commissioner's Report. Dean Kapenga reported on emergency planning, sheriff's department and new jail.

Public Comment: Wester opened the meeting to public comment. Mark Putnam, Marcia Perry commented. Hearing no further comments, **Wester stated having no further business to come before the board we stand adjourned.** Meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Brad Rudich, Clerk

Date