

SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP BOARD
Special Meeting
Wednesday May 13, 2015, 5:00 p.m.
Saugatuck Township Hall
3461 Blue Star Hwy, Saugatuck, MI 49453

MINUTES

Supervisor Wester called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Members Present: Bill Wester, Jonathan Phillips, Lori Babinski, Brad Rudich, Roy McIlwaine.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Manager Aaron Sheridan.

Public Comment: Wester asked for public comments. None.

Approval of Agenda: Wester asked for changes to the agenda. None.

Correspondence: None.

Unfinished Business:

A. None.

New Business:

- A. Township Budget Workshop. Sheridan asked to go down the budget by line item. Revenue was relatively unchanged. Permit income was anticipated to increase slightly. Discussion on health care renewal and costs. Wester asked Sheridan to approach former Township employee(s) and discuss health care payment options. Phillips asked Sheridan to research what was previously agreed to in regards to health care coverage. Sheridan stated he would contact former employee about options. Sheridan stated a decrease in coverage is also an option. Wester suggested the employee(s) take a higher wage and sign up individually for Affordable Care on-line, instead of paying for health care. Rudich suggested an increasing scale for paying retiree health care, where over 5 years the former employee would be paying 100% of coverage. Sheridan will look at options and contact former employee(s). Discussion on Cemetery expenses and contributions from other entities. Discussion on ambulance district. Wester suggested the Township not be in the Ambulance district. Ambulance service would still be available, but there would not be any subsidy to AMR. Wester asked for a continued discussion at another meeting. Rudich asked to hold a public hearing. Discussion on Township capital improvements and future staffing needs. Discussion on road projects. Wester requested a new Township e-mail address. Motion to approve health care renewal of HSA-Gold 90% with Priority Health, made by McIlwaine, support by Phillips. Motion passes 4-1. Joint Budget meeting and Truth in taxation hearing would be held at June 3rd 2015 meeting.

Public Comments: Wester asked for public comments. No Comments.

There being no further business, Wester declared the meeting adjourned at 6:12 pm.

Brad Rudich, Clerk