

**Minutes
Saugatuck City Council Meeting
Saugatuck, Michigan, July 28, 2008**

The City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall, 102 Butler Street, Saugatuck, Michigan.

1. **Call to Order** by Mayor Vettori at 7:00 p.m.
 2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
 3. **Attendance:**
Present: Spangler, Bekken, Johnson, Hess, Verplank, Simon & Vettori
Absent: None.
Others Present: City Manager Harrier and City Clerk Looman
 4. **Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Simon, 2nd by Johnson, to approve the July 14, 2008 regular meeting minutes as presented. Upon voice vote the motion carried unanimously.
 5. **Mayor's Comments:** Mayor Vettori thanked the Venetian Festival Committee for a wonderful, well organized festival; he also congratulated Mike Johnson and Family for the 50th Anniversary of Coral Gables.
 6. **City Manager's Report:** City Manager Harrier acknowledge the Saugatuck/Douglas Police & Saugatuck Township Fire Departments for a wonderful job of keeping everyone in the City safe over the Venetian Festival weekend; Mr. Harrier also provided each Council Member with their own copy of the FY 2008-2009 approved budget.
- Council Member Bekken entered into the meeting at 7:08 p.m.
7. **Agenda Changes:** None.
 8. **Guest Speakers:** None
 9. **Public Comment:** None.
 10. **Request for Payment:** A motion was made by Johnson, 2nd by Simon, to approve the accounts payable in the amount of \$199,643.81 contingent upon the approval of 13.H. Independence Day Fireworks Payment Resolution 080728-B. Upon voice vote the motion carried unanimously.
 11. **Public Hearings:** None.
 12. **Unfinished Business:** None.
 13. **New Business:**
 - A. **Small Harbors Coalition Resolution No. 080728-A:** A motion was made by Spangler, 2nd by Hess, to approve Resolution No. 080728-A supporting the Michigan Small Harbors Coalition. Upon roll call the motion carried unanimously.
 - B. **Rehmann Robson Auditing Services:** A motion was made by Simon, 2nd by Spangler, to approve an engagement letter from Rehmann Robson for audition services related to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008. Upon voice vote the motion carried unanimously.
 - C. **2008 Crack Sealing Project:** A motion was made by Johnson, 2nd by Simon, to approve the low bid submitted by Interstate Sealant and Concrete in the amount of \$17,800 for the 2008 Crack Sealing Program. Upon voice vote the motion carried unanimously.

D. Saugatuck Township Fire Board Appointment/Reappointment: A motion was made by Verplank, 2nd by Johnson, to approve the reappointment of Lance Winchester and the appointment of Scott Phelps as At-large Members to the Saugatuck Township Fire Board. Upon roll call the motion carried unanimously.

E. Charter Amendments: A motion was made by Johnson, 2nd by Simon, to approve the proposal as submitted from Attorney James Brown of Mika Meyers Becket and Jones to assist the City Council in the preparation and review of proposed amendments to the City Charter and preparing the ballot proposal of any such amendments. Upon voice vote the motion carried unanimously.

F. Lot Line Adjustment Approval for 336 & 340 Park Street: A motion was made by Verplank, 2nd by Spangler, to approve the lot line adjustment for 336 and 340 Park Street as submitted by the applicant to eliminate an existing nonconformity and provide for the required 10-foot side yard setbacks. Upon voice vote the motion carried unanimously.

G. Green Market Sign Approval: A motion was made by Simon, 2nd by Hess, to approve the request to place a four square foot "sandwich board" sign within the right-of-way area behind the curb, at the intersection of Lake Street and Blue Star Highway, conditioned upon approval of the Historic District Commission and subject to the conditions as outlined in Section 154.141 (5) of the Zoning Ordinance. Upon voice vote the motion carried unanimously.

H. 2008 Independence Day Fireworks Payment Resolution 080728-B: A motion was made by Hess, 2nd by Simon, to approve Resolution No. 080728-B approving payment in the amount of \$3,000 for the 2008 Independence Day Fireworks Display. Upon roll call the motion carried unanimously.

14. Consent Agenda: A motion was made by Spangler, 2nd by Simon to approve the following consent agenda item. Upon voice vote the motion carried unanimously.

A. Special Event Permit - Taste of Saugatuck: Taste of Saugatuck to be held on August 24, 2008 from 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

15. Public Comment: Harold Thieda, 115 Van Dalson, applauded the Saugatuck Department of Public Works for their promptness with the city wide cleanup after the Venetian Festival this past weekend.

16. Communications:

A. Saugatuck Township Fire Board Minutes – Accepted as information.

B. Citizen Letter Dated 07-21-2008 – Accepted as information.

C. Joint Planning Committee Meeting Notice – Accepted as information.

17. Boards, Commissions & Committee Reports: Council received reports from the following committees: Planning Commission, K.L.S.W.A. and Single Trash Hauler.

18. Council Comments: Mayor Vettori announced that occasional clean-up is needed at the Oval Beach especially after holiday weekends and suggested the City look into contacting the work crew through the Allegan County Sherriff's Department or a volunteer group through Saugatuck Public Schools.

Council Member Verplank suggested that April Scholtz, Phil Miller and John Legge be invited to attend a workshop in regards to the McClendon Property Lease Agreement.

19. Adjournment: Mayor Vettori adjourned the meeting at 8:09 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Monica Looman
City Clerk