

Village of Bear Lake
REGULAR MEETING
February 26, 2015
Approved Minutes

Pledge of Allegiance – said by all.

The Regular Meeting of the Bear Lake Village Council was called to order by President Jeff Bair at 7:30 p.m. at the Bear Lake Village Hall.

Present: President: Jeff Bair **Council:** Ron Ronning, Don Hyrns, Jackie Johnson, Carver Edwards, Janene Gee, Peggy Bass, **Treasurer:** Alice Howe, **Clerk:** Melanie Ware **Staff:** Donna Ronning, Howard Higley.

Absent: none

President Jeff Bair announced his resignation to the council.

Motion by Gee seconded by Bass to appoint Jeff Bair as president for the remainder of the term. Motion carried.
Discussion held.

Guests:

Regular Meeting Minutes for December 17, 2014: Motioned by Ronning Seconded by Hyrns to accept the minutes as presented. Motion Carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Motion by Ronning seconded by Johnson to accept the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

Building Fund	0
Equipment Fund	3,626.79
General Fund	69,910.22
Minor Street Fund	19,423.37
Major Street Fund	39,102.99
Park Fund	24,069.23
Water Fund	27,679.78
Museum Fund	0
Savings - Honor Bank	25,955.93
CD - Honor Bank	32,580.35
MMA	10,022.04 (Formerly Huntington Account)

Motion by Johnson seconded by Bass to pay bills as presented. Motion carried.

New Business:

Motion by Resolution Supporting the development of the Manistee County-wide park and recreation plan.
Edwards – yea, Hyrns – yea, Ronning- yea, Gee-yea, Bass-yea, Johnson-yea, Bair-yea. Motion carried.

Motion by Bass seconded by Johnson accepting Jeff Bair's resignation from January 21st, Effective January 21st . Motion carried.

Motion by Johnson seconded by Ronning to seek written bids for the website that shows what services are provided. Motion carried.
Discussion held

Motion by Resolution to approve the proposed 2015-2016 budget with corrections and to set the mileage rate at 10.5501 plus extend the deadline for summer taxes to February 29, 2016 without penalty.
Edwards – yea, Hyrns-yea, Ronning-yea, Gee-yea, Bass-yea, Johnson-yea, Bair-yea. Motion carried.

Motion by Gee seconded by Bass to appoint Jackie Johnson as President Pro-tem for the remainder of the term. Motion carried.

Motion by Gee seconded by Johnson to participate in the Manistee, Mason, & Oceana Household Hazardous waste program and pay the \$90.00 required fee. Motion carried.

Motion by Johnson seconded by Gee to enter into the Contractual Services Agreement between Manistee county and The Village of Bear lake for personnel, computer services, tax map, assessment roll, and maintenance for 2015 for a price of \$1.04 per parcel and to pay the invoice in the amount of \$260.10. Motion carried.
Discussion held.

Motion by Johnson seconded by Bass to contact a structural engineer to give an estimate and/or report regarding the stability of the Village Garage. Motion carried.
Discussion held.

Reimbursement to the General Fund:
Major Street: 1/01/15-1/31/15 = \$3,314.69
Minor Street: 1/01/15-1/31/15 = \$3,314.69
Park Fund: 1/01/15-1/31/15 = \$18.00
Water Fund: 1/01/15-1/31/15 = \$702.00
Total to be transferred to General Fund = \$7,349.38

Motion by Ronning seconded by Johnson to transfer all reimbursements to the General fund except the Minor Street Fund reimbursement. Motion carried.
Discussion held.

Park:

Motion by Ronning seconded by Bass to allow the watershed to use Hopkins Park October 3, 2015 for Autumn Glory Day. Motion carried.

Trees: None.

Streets:

Motion by Johnson seconded by Bass to allow for partial closure of Lynn St. from US 31 to Main St. for the Bear Lake Days Street Dance and to allow for a small carnival to be brought into town for Bear Lake Days and also to allow the small park to be used for the Dog contest. Motion carried.

Motion by Johnson seconded by Bass to close US 31 for the 2015 Bear Lake Days Parade from Potter Rd. to Russell St. Motion carried.

Water:

Motion by Bass seconded by Johnson to increase the Village water bills by \$5.00 per month, bring the quarterly bills to \$75.00 for Village residents. The hotel and school to increase to an equal percentage. Township customers will also increase \$15.00 per quarter for a total of \$110.00. The increase will be effective June 2015. This increase in the beginning of the steady increases. Motion carried.

Equipment: None

Museum:

Motion by Resolution The Village of Bear Lake, Michigan, hereby grants approval to the Bear Lake Area Historical Society representing the Bear Lake Area Historical Museum to seek permission for the First Baptist Church building, located at the northwest corner of Main Street and Virginia Streets, to obtain recognition as a Historical Building by the National Register of Historic Sites and the Michigan State Historic Preservation Office.
Edwards –yea, Hyrns-yea, Ronning-yea, Gee-yea, Bass-yea, Johnson-yea, Bair-yea. Motion carried.

Planning Commission: None

Old Business: no news from the attorney regarding hiring a Deputy Treasurer.

Public Comment: None

Council Members: None

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Melanie Ware, Clerk

Bills To Be Paid:

Kent County Health Department –January 2015 samples \$64.00 (WF)

Bear Lake Ace Hardware – Misc. General Hardware - \$367.52 (GF)

McBride Septic Systems- misdig-\$695.00 (WF)

Staples - \$117.62 – Ink Treasurer and clerk (GF)

Blarney Castle Oil Co. – Fuel - \$1,023.18 (MjF)

Fleis & VandenBrink – Water System Improvements 28% complete - \$2,665.00 (WF)

Michigan Municipal League – Liability & Property Pool - \$5,249.00 (GF)

The Pioneer Group – ads for water project – \$1,333.55(WF)

BP – Fleet Card - \$734.89 (MjF)

Auto Wares – Misc. - \$60.59 (MjF)

Blarney Castle Service Center – Blower Motor Part - \$237.50 (MjF)