

JOINT PUBLIC MEETING

*Village of Bear Lake & Bear Lake Township Joint Meeting
Natural Resources Trust Fund Application for Proposed
Kayak/Canoe Launch and Fishing Pier site*

March 13, 2017

7:00 p.m. – Bear Lake Village Hall

Approved Minutes

Called to order by Bear Lake Village President, Jeff Bair

Pledge of allegiance was said

Introductions of project steering committee members and Pat Bentley from Spicer Group.

PRESENTER: Pat Bentley, from Spicer Group explained the joint project and grant application information. This project is part of “Explore the Shores” and follows along with the “Master Plan” of the Village of Bear Lake and Bear Lake Township. This project also aligns with The Manistee’s Recreation Plan. The grant will cover 75% of the project and 25% will come from other donations. The project will be 100% covered with minimal cost to village & township. Joint project will include; kayak/canoe launch, restrooms (designed to have additional facilities added at a later date), septic hooked up to current system, a lighted fishing pier with benches, and 2 paved handicap parking spaces. Deadline for application is April 1, 2017. If grant is awarded construction will begin in April 2018.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Public comments were positive toward this joint project and new ideas were taken from suggestions. Comments regarding village & township working together were positive.

Concerns if “other” donations could not be covered, both village & township said plans would be scaled back to align with the grant.

Adjournment at 7:32pm