

**THE VILLAGE OF BEAR LAKE COUNCIL**  
***SPECIAL MEETING***

Bear Lake Village Hall

12376 Virginia Street

August 23, 2017 at 6:00pm

Approved Minutes with correction (cmc)

- + Called to Order by President Bair, 6:01pm
- + Pledge of Allegiance was said
- + Roll call: President Bair, Treasurer King, Clerk McPherson Staff; Jared Bair  
Council: Bass, Evans, Johnson, McPherson, Ronning and Schroeder  
Absent: Gibson
- + Guests: six (6) guests signed in
- + Motion by McPherson to adopt the agenda, seconded by Bass. Motion Carried.
  - o Yay: Bass, Evans, Johnson, McPherson, Ronning, Schroeder and Bair
  - o Nay: None
- + Motion was made by Ronning to pay employee (Jared Bair's) health insurance with a separate check to be issued at the first pay for the next 3 months, starting in September 2017. Gross \$230.10, Federal \$0, FICA \$14.27, Medicare \$3.34, State \$9.78. Jared will cover any additional amount due. Seconded by Schroeder. Motion Carried.
  - o Yay: Bass, Evans, Johnson, McPherson, Ronning, Schroeder and Bair
  - o Nay: None

Note: Letter received from Blue Cross Blue Shield, the village could not make Jared's insurance payment as the village was not a "blood relative" according the "Affordable Health Care Act".
- + Motion was made by Bass to replace current flags with new banner flags on current poles. Seconded by Evans. Motion carried.
  - o Yay: Bass, Evans, Johnson, McPherson, Ronning, Schroeder and Bair
  - o Nay: None
- + Motion was made by Evans to give the Banner Project Committee our full support as they move forward with the winter banners and Christmas light project. We agree to pay the light bill for the Christmas decorations. We understand our only obligations lie in supporting the decisions made by the committee and paying the light bill. Seconded by Ronning. Motion carried.
  - o Yay: Bass, Evans, Johnson, McPherson, Ronning, Schroeder and Bair
  - o Nay: None
- + Motion was made by McPherson to apply for a grant for the Plow Truck through the Local Revenue Sharing Board for the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians/State of Michigan Gaming Compact. Amount requested, \$39,500.00. Seconded by Ronning.
  - o Yay: Bass, Evans, Johnson, McPherson, Ronning, Schroeder and Bair
  - o Nay: None

✚ Motion was made by Evans to change Village Office Hours to Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 1pm -3pm. Seconded by Bass.

- Yay: Bass, Evans, Johnson, Ronning, Schroeder and Bair
- Nay: None
- Abstained: McPherson

Note: Treasurer hours will be Tuesday 2pm -6pm and Wednesday 1pm -3pm

✚ Motion was made by McPherson to release our current Water Well Project attorney, Randy Hryns, terminate existing legal agreement with Bittner/Jennings, seconded by Bass. Motion carried.

- Yay: Bass, Evans, Johnson, McPherson, Ronning, Schroeder and Bair
- Nay: None

✚ Motion was made by Ronning to accept legal service agreement with Young, Graham and Wendling, with correct spelling of "Michigan", seconded by Schroeder. Motion carried.

- Yay: Bass, Evans, Johnson, McPherson, Ronning, Schroeder and Bair
- Nay: None

✚ Public Comment:

- Don Raiff asked if village deck could be used for music/entertainment or in Hopkins Park? Yes, contact President Bair or Clerk McPherson. David King was concerned about the sound for campers. Barb Farfsing stated there is a group looking at grants from the Traverse City Arts Council for entertainment on the deck.

✚ Adjournment at 6:58pm

Respectfully submitted by Clerk McPherson