

BEAR LAKE TOWNSHIP

KALKASKA, MI 49646

ANNUAL MEETING - MARCH 28, 2020

9:15 AM

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The Annual Meeting of the electors of Bear Lake Township was called to order at 9:15 am by the Supervisor. Pledge was said.

Zero public were present.

The Agenda and minutes from 2019 were distributed.

Motion by Bob Dixon to approve Annual Meeting Minutes of 2019. Support by Shirley Havens. Motion Carried.

Supervisor Bud Banker previewed the last year in Bear Lake Township:

April, 2019: Township Fireworks Ordinance was updated by the Township Attorney to reflect the changes in the State Fire Works Statute.

May, 2019: Township Board accepted the Resignation of our Township Clerk Carol Rosenberg. Deputy Clerk Delanna David was appointed to fill the vacancy.

July 2019: The Township Board approved \$700.00 expenditure to replace electric wiring in the Township water well. Purchase of a new Pitney Bowes postage machine was approved by the Township Board.

Aug 2019: Township Business Office overhead lighting was replace with new LED fixtures. Township Fire Department initiated the sale of ornamental bricks to generate monies to help with the cost of a new high capacity water well for filling the dept. trucks.

Sept 2019: Brick sales and the Annual BBQ Chicken Dinner put on by the Township Fire Department raised over \$20,000.00 towards the construction of the new high capacity water well. Big Wheel Construction was awarded a bid for \$1,300.00 to replace several damaged areas of the Township roof.

Oct 2019: SAD Public Hearings were held for Bear and Cub Lakes. The exterior of the Township Hall and Business received a much needed coat of paint.

Nov 2019: The Township Fire Department received a \$5,000.00 grant from TransCanada to help defray some of the cost of the new Fire Department water well.

Dec 2019: The Township awarded Northern Mechanicals low bid of \$3,140.00 for replacement of the furnace in the township auxiliary hall.

Feb 2020: The new Fire Department high capacity water well was completed. The well has a capacity of approximately 400 gallon per minute. The cement slab and new shed will be set in place when weather permits.

Projects ear marked for 2020-2021 Budget Year

Two sizeable projects are currently on the drawing board for the upcoming year 2020-2021

Bids will be requested for changing the existing lighting to LED in the main hall and the auxiliary hall next month and the asphalt parking lot at the hall will be sealed and striped.

Also mentioned that all Township Board Members and Board of Review Members attended classes throughout the year in order to stay informed with the changes made by the State of Michigan.

In closing I wish to thank the Township Board, Township Assessor, All members of the Township Fire & Rescue Department, The Board of Review, Election Committee, Outside Contractors and township volunteers for making 2019-2020 a very safe and successful year. Also thank the Board and Employees for their time and effort during the COVID-9 Virus. Special thanks to Michael VanHorn for his service over the past 9 years as Township Assessor. Mike will retire on May 1, 2020

Motion to adjourn by Shirley Havens 9:22 am

Support by Jim Knight. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by Township Clerk