

# BEAR LAKE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

APPROVED

**DATE: MARCH 12, 2019**  
**TIME: 7:00 PM**  
**PLACE: BEAR LAKE COMMUNITY CENTER**

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1. **Call to Order at 7 pm**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance was said by all**
3. **Roll Call of Officers: Banker, Knight, Dixon, Havens. Absent: Rosenberg  
12 public in attendance**
4. **Adoption of Agenda: Motion by Havens to adopt Agenda. Support by Dixon.  
Motion Carried.**
5. **Adoption of CONSENT AGENDA**  
**Motion by Dixon to adopt Consent Agenda, minus the minutes of the February  
2019 meeting. Support by Havens. Motion carried.**
  - A. **Minutes of Previous Meeting: To be approved at the April meeting.**
  - B. **Treasurer's Report**
  - C. **Payment of bills**
6. **Public Input: None**
7. **Township Reports:**
  - A. **Assessor Report: BOR appeals began Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> and will  
convene again for the final day Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> from 3-9 pm.**
  - B. **County Commissioner: Kohn Fisher – Presented and reviewed  
information regarding District 10 sanitary code, point of sale  
program and Kaliseum proposal.**
  - C. **Sheriff Dept. Report: Deputy Peacock gave a verbal report and  
written report. The Sheriff Dept. Annual Report was presented.  
Deputy spent 40 hours in the Township and 1879 miles in his four  
townships.**
  - D. **Fire Dept. Report: Deputy Chief Redmond provided a written  
report and summarized February activities for the meeting.  
Reported three medical runs and four fire runs. Also, asked for  
\$950.00 for communications for 2018-19 for cell phone re-boost  
booster. Motion by Knight to approve. Support by Havens.  
Motion carried.**
  - E. **BLTIA Report: Jo Rahaim- back in May.**
  - F. **Hospital Report: Banker was unable to attend 2/26/19 meeting.  
Summarized talking points from the meeting.**

**8. Old Business: None**

**9. New Business:**

- A. Board of Review Appointment (Banker):** Active members, Lark Samouelian (chair), Bill Spencer, Bill Diekman. Alternate Dale Dorrance was introduced. Motion by Dixon to accept. Support by Knight. Motion carried.
- B. Point and Pay (Havens):** Request this service to allow payment of property taxes via phone/credit card. No charge to the Township; taxpayer pays fees. Motion by Banker. Supported by Dixon. ROLL CALL VOTE: Havens-yes; Knight-yes, Banker-yes; Dixon-yes.
- C. Approval of Temporary Employee (Banker):** Delanna David has been sworn in as new Deputy Clerk. Sherry Hoyt, who has held this position most recently, needs to continue on as a temporary employee throughout the next few months, or until the Clerk returns, to help Delanna transition. Budget has been adjusted accordingly. Motion by Dixon to approve. Support by Havens. ROLL CALL VOTE: Banker-yes; Knight-yes; Dixon-yes; Havens-yes.
- D. Fire Insurance (Banker):** Banker informed the Board about a fire insurance product available through the State of Michigan which allows the Township to hold some funds in escrow until fire-damaged property is cleaned up. Discussion. Banker will gather more information and report next month.
- E. Township Board Meeting Dates & Times for 2019-20 (Banker):** These meetings need to be scheduled and posted publicly for the coming Fiscal Year. Several people liked the 4 pm time for the meeting that recently had to be rescheduled due to the weather. We do need to stay with the second Tuesday of each month. The time could vary with the season. Motion by Havens to meet at 4 pm from November through March and at 7 pm from April through October. Support by Knight. ROLL CALL VOTE: Havens-yes; Knight-yes; Banker-yes; Dixon-yes.

**10. Board Members Considerations and Correspondence:**

**A. Supervisor:**

- 1. Presented informational letter from our attorney regarding some changes in the fireworks ordinance effective 12/28/2018.**
- 2. Supervisor's computer crashed. Request approval for \$595 out of capital outlay to replace, as there are no funds designated for software for Supervisor. Motion by Knight to approve. Support by Dixon. ROLL CALL VOTE: Banker-yes; Knight-yes; Havens-yes; Dixon-yes.**
- 3. Banker summarized the Budget Work Session minutes. Motion by Havens to approve. Support by Knight. Motion carried.**
- 4. Saturday, June 8, 2019 will be Trash Day at the trailhead, 8 am to Noon.**
- 5. Work on stream habitat by the Upper Manistee River Association will begin in 28 locations over the next two years.**
- 6. Budget Public Hearing for 2019-20 will be held March 30, 2019 at 9 am, followed by the Annual Meeting at 10 am and the Special Meeting at approximately 10:30 am.**
- 7. Election Commission Meeting will be scheduled in the near future.**

- B. Treasurer: Summer office hours will be Wednesdays, 9 am to 1 pm. Begins next week and will run until July 1, 2019.**
  - C. Clerk: Delanna David, is looking forward to learning all her duties as the Deputy Clerk.**
  - D. Trustees: Dixon had no report. Knight stated that the “Frost Laws” start March 13, 2019, at 6 am.**
  
- 11. Public Input:**
  - A. Deputy Fire Chief stated there will be discussion at the March 13 FD meeting about reinstating the yard sale in June.**
  - B. Terry Stark, Kalkaska Public Schools Superintendent, presented some new program plans for this year**
  
- 12. Adjournment. Motion by Knight to Adjourn at 8:12 pm. Support by Havens. Motion carried.**

**Minutes prepared by Sherry Hoyt and Delanna David, posted 03/15/2018**