# **BEAR LAKE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING**

## **APPROVED MINUTES**

### DATE: MARCH 9, 2021

#### TIME: 4:00 pm

### PLACE: BEAR LAKE COMMUNITY CENTER

- 1. Call to Order: Bud Banker called the meeting to order at 4:03 PM.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance was said.
- 3. Roll Call of Officers: Bud Banker, Shirley Havens, Delanna David and Jim Knight. Absent: Bob Dixon.
- 4. Adoption of Agenda: Motion made by Dixon and supported by Havens, all aye motion passed.
- 5. Adoption of CONSENT AGENDA: With the removal of the February minutes Motion to approve the consent agenda made by Knight and supported by Havens, all aye motion passed.
  - A. Minutes of Previous Meeting 2-09-2021: Motion to correct section 9D to include who made and supported the motion in minutes made by Havens and supported by Knight, all aye motion passed.

Motion to approve the corrected minutes for February made by Knight and supported by Havens, all aye motion passed.

- B. Treasurer's Report
- C. Payment of Bills
- 6. Public Input:

A. KPS Bond Vote: Parent representative's Sarah Manchester and Katie Little from Kalkaska Public Schools gave us a detailed explanation for the May 4<sup>th</sup> Bond Vote which will include many updates covering all Kalkaska schools. They explained this is a "no millage-rate" increase bond, the current bond is expiring and this will replace it without increasing taxes. To see the detail breakdown of this bond please visit https://www.kps-bond.com/

- 7. Township Reports:
  - A. Assessor Report: Not in attendance.
  - B. County Commissioner: Kohn Fisher Not in attendance.
  - C. Sheriff Dept. Report: Officer Van Sloten gave a verbal and written report for the occurrences in Bear Lake Township for the month of February.
  - D. Fire Dept. Report: Deputy Chief Beth Redmond gave a verbal and written report for Fire and Rescue in Bear Lake Township for the month of February. She noted that we will be heading into Wildland Fire Season soon, please check the DNR website to see if permits are issued to have a legal burn.
  - E. BLTIA Report: None.
  - F. Hospital Report: Bud gave us an update on the February Hospital meeting which included a COVID-19 Vaccine update. KMHS has given over 4000 doses (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>) to date.
- 8. Old Business: None
- 9. New Business
  - A. Kalkaska Area Public Transit: Bud read and explained the KPTA Indemnity Agreement 2021-2025. This agreement is for the use of the Township Hall parking lot for the purpose of picking up and dropping off school children for Kalkaska Public Schools. Motion to adopt the KPTA Indemnity

Agreement 2021-2025 made by Knight and supported by Havens. Roll Call Vote: Banker, Havens, David, Knight all aye, none opposed, motion passed.

- **10.** Board Members Considerations and Correspondence:
  - A. Supervisor Bud discussed with the board the 2021 Clean-Up Day. The board sent a tentative day for June 12<sup>th</sup> 2021. In coordination with that, all articles for the News Letter are due to Shirley by May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Bud also brought up to the board the 2021 fees for Bear Lake Township (Hall Rental, Record copies, FOIA request etc.). Motion made to keep fees the same for 2021-2022 made by Havens supported by Knight, all aye motion passed.

The Board discussed whether or not to open the hall for rental purposes. It was decided at this time the hall will not be open for rental and will be reviewed at each monthly meeting until the board decides to open.

- B. Treasurer Shirley let us know the 2020 summer and winter tax season ended Monday March 1<sup>st</sup>. If you owe taxes contact the Kalkaska County Treasurers office (231)258-3310 for payoff amounts. She also let us know you cannot make credit card payment on Point & Pay. You will need to go to the KalkaskaCounty.org website to make payments.
- C. Clerk Delanna gave copies to the board and explained that several budget amendments were made to the 2020-2021 budget to get categories back into balance before the end of the fiscal year. No funds were added to the budget, only moved internally. I have also mailed to everyone on our permanent AV list an Absentee Voter Ballot Application for the May 4<sup>th</sup> Election.
- D. Trustees Jim noted on March 2<sup>nd</sup> the frost laws went into effect for county roads with weight limits. Also on the 8<sup>th</sup> frost laws went into effect for State Roads as well.
- 11. Public Input: Beth asked if there would be a clean-up day for 2021. Bud thanked Beth for reminding him because it was in his notes. The board moved back up to Board Members Considerations and Correspondence under Supervisor on the agenda to discuss this.
- 12. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Havens and supported by Knight, all aye motion passed, meeting adjourned at 5:13 PM