

BEAR LAKE TOWNSHIP

APPROVED

KALKASKA, MI 49646

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

DATE: November 14, 2017

BOARD MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Supervisor at 7 pm

PLEDGE

ROLL CALL: Banker, Havens, Knight, Dixon, Rosenberg. All members present
11 public present.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA: Motion by Havens to adopt agenda. Support by Dixon. Motion carried.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: Motion by Dixon to approve minutes of meeting of 10/10/17. Support by Havens. Motion Carried. Motion by Havens to approve minutes of CUB LAKE SAD public hearing 10/10/17. Support by Knight. Motion carried. Motion by Knight to approve minutes of BEAR LAKE SAD public hearing 10/10/17. Support by Havens. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Motion by Rosenberg to accept Treasurers report for October 2017. Support by Knight. Motion carried

PAYMENT OF BILLS . Motion by Dixon to approve payment of bills for November, 2017. Support by Havens. Motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT: Seth Philips, Kalkaska County Drain Commissioner, was present to answer any questions and to explain his duties. He is on the County website and always available.

TOWNSHIP REPORTS:

FIRE DEPT: Chief Laskowski reported for October: they cleaned gutters; attended township meeting; took Smokey the Bear down for the winter. They put craft show signs up; workgroup meeting. There were 3 med runs and 5 fire runs. Craft show went well. They netted \$820.00.

ASSESSOR: Assessor VanHorn reported sales study results. There is an increase in taxable value and our taxes will go up 2.1%. The Board of Review is scheduled to meet Dec 12, 2017 at 10 am.

SHERIFF: Deputy Brian Peacock reported verbally and in a written report. This township has not been too busy. 56 hours spent in township. 2,157 miles driven in 4 townships. He pulled up the 'no parking' signs by the Bear Lake access for the winter. Discussion about Yellowtree Road damage due to logging. State is involved. More discussion.

HOSPITAL REPORT: Supr Banker reported on the October 24, 2017 meeting. Highlights included: financial reports read and discussed; Renee Cunningham, Kalkaska Memorial Health Care long-term care director was honored by the state chapter of the national nursing administration leadership organization as the 2017 Nurse Administrator of the Year, Northern Region. Kalkaska's long-term care unit is a 104-bed skilled nursing facility with 110 staff members. The Master Facility Plan was discussed at great lengths and approved. Also, discussed Cash management and Investment policy; executive committee meeting updates; Chronic Disease Management Plan discussed. There will be no meeting in November.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBERS CONSIDERATIONS:

SUPERVISOR: Announced that Mary Reid, a Bear Lake Township resident, was picked Volunteer of the Year. Congratulations Mary.

The two picnic tables are finished and stored away for winter. The one in the front of the building will stay there.

They put 3 yards of gravel stone mix in front of the BB court and leveled it off.

TREASURER: She is attending a MTA class with the clerk on Wednesday; Preparing for doing the tax bills here in office for winter tax season.

CLERK: She will be attending the Accounting class with the Treasurer. The state has issued changes to the Michigan Uniform Chart of Accounts; No elections coming up. First one may be in May but no word on that yet.

TRUSTEES: Bob Dixon reported not much going on. He gets questions about the roads. Warns people to be careful of the deer.

Jim Knight reported some signs of gypsy moths in township. Discussion. Also, discussion about roads.

NEW BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC INPUT: Sam Rahaim, reported that the Bear Lake Township Improvement Assn. approved an expenditure for our deputy's vest called an exterior carrier. Discussion. County does not have the funds for all the

deputies. Thank you to the BLTIA and they will hold on to the money until it is needed. Discussion.

Asst. Chief Beth Redmond reported we may be able to get a grant to get a generator for the township. Discussion. They turned in 3 extrication bills to AccuMed.

Discussion on how dangerous M 72 is in our township especially in icy weather. Call 911 if roads are icy.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Knight to adjourn 7:58 pm Support by Dixon. Motion carried.

Prepared and posted by Clerk 11/21/17.