BEAR LAKE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

DATE: November 10, 2026

TIME: 4:00 pm

PLACE: BEAR LAKE COMMUNITY CENTER

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1. **Call to Order: Supervisor Banker called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM with 4 public members in attendance.**
2. **The Pledge of Allegiance was said.**
3. **Roll Call of Officers: Bud Banker, Beth Redmond, Dawn Dannenberg, Jim Knight, and Bob Dixon were all in attendance.**
4. **Adoption of Agenda: Redmond made a motion, supported by Dixon; all aye; motion passed.**
5. **Conflict of Interest: Banker (N), Redmond (N), Dannenberg (N), Knight (N), Dixon (N).**
6. **Adoption of Consent Agenda: Knight made a motion, supported by Dixon; all aye, motion passed.**
   A. **Minutes of Previous Meeting 10-13-26**
   B. **Treasurer's Report September and October.**
   C. **Payment of Bills**
   D. **Budget Amendments: General Fund- 101-265-910 Insurance + $ 3552.50, 101-265-970 Capital Outlay - $ 3552.50**
7. **Public Input: none.**
8. **Township Reports:**
   A. **Assessor Report: Dawn Kuhns was in attendance; she gave a verbal report, and there will be the 1st public hearing tomorrow on land division zoning.**
   B. **County Commissioner: Not in attendance.**
   C. **Sheriff Dept. Report: Not in attendance; the board had a written report.**
   D. **Fire Dept. Report: Assistant Chief Pat Bird attended and gave a written and verbal report.**
   E. **BLTIA Report: None.**
   F. **Hospital Report: Supervisor Banker gave a verbal report. Need a motion to waive attorney-client privilege on any legal opinions regarding the Act 47 Hospital prepared by Bauckham, Thall, Seeber, Kaufman & Koches P.C. Knight made a motion, supported by Redmond, roll call vote as follows: Banker(Y) Redmond (Y) Dannenberg (Y) Knight (Y) Dixon (Y); motion passed.**
   G. **Kalkaska EMS: none.**
   H. **Kalkaska COA: Cheryl was in attendance; she gave a verbal report.**
9. **Old Business**
   A.
10. **New Business**
    A. **Bear Lake SAD: The board had reviewed the attorney's legal opinion on adding individuals to the SAD roll.**
    B. **Shredding Companies: Supervisor Banker had 2 quotes for on-site shredding. The board discussed the options and decided to go with Shred-it WM.**
11. **Board Members Considerations and Correspondence:**

A. **Supervisor – Bud Banker: At January's board meeting, we will be updating our policy and procedure book and possibly hiring an engineer and general contractor.**
B. **Treasurer – Beth Redmond, attended a BS&A meeting on the transition from .net to the cloud; they are offering discounts if we sign a contract by December 11th. Need a motion to open a checking account for Bear Lake Township Community Center Millage Funds with 4front or Huntington Bank. Knight made a motion, supported by Dixon; roll call vote as follows: Banker (Y), Redmond (Y), Dannenberg (Y), Knight (Y), Dixon (Y); motion passed.**
C. **Clerk – Dawn Dannenberg, there was a great turnout for the early voting and election day; I would like to thank all our election workers. County Board of Canvassers is still canvassing the election; they have until November 17th to turn it over to the State.**
D. **Trustees – Jim Knight attended the road commission meeting and will be attending tomorrow's meeting.**

12. **Public Input: none.**
13. **Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Dixon and supported by Knight; all aye; meeting adjourned at 5:22 PM.**