

BEAR LAKE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

APPROVED MINUTES

DATE: January 14,2025

TIME: 4:00 pm

PLACE: BEAR LAKE COMMUNITY CENTER

1. Call to Order: Supervisor Banker called to order at 4:00pm with 5public in attendance.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was said.
3. Roll Call of Officers: Bud Banker, Shirley Havens, Dawn Dannenberg, Jim Knight, Bob Dixon were in attendance.
4. Adoption of Agenda: Add to New Business (B) KMHC, (C) Salary Resolutions, (D) Setting meeting date and times. Havens made a motion, supported by Dixon, all aye, motion passed.
5. Conflict of Interest: Banker(N) Havens(N) Dannenberg(N) Knight(N) Dixon(N).
6. Adoption of Consent Agenda: Remove meeting minutes 12-10-24, Dixon made a motion, supported by Knight, all aye, motion passed.
 - A. Treasurer's Report
 - B. Payment of Bills
 - C. Budget Amendment: Fire Fund 206-000-715 Payroll Tax Exp add \$ 300.00 from 206-000-820 Wellness - \$ 300.00.
7. Minutes of Previous Meeting 12-10-24: Correction to be made Township Reports (D) and New Business (D), Knight made a motion, supported by Havens, all aye, motion passed.
8. Public Input: none.
9. Township Reports:
 - A. Assessor Report: Written report.
 - B. County Commissioner: none.
 - C. Sheriff Dept. Report: Deputy Farrier was in attendance; he gave a written and verbal report.
 - D. Fire Dept. Report: Chief Mark Laskowski was in attendance; he gave a written and verbal report.
 - E. BLTIA Report: Beth Redmond was in attendance; they donated \$250.00 to the Fire Dept for shelving and the new blinds have been installed.
 - F. Hospital Report: Supervisor Banker gave a verbal report.
 - G. Kalkaska EMS: none.
10. Old Business
11. New Business
 - A. Attorney Peter Wendling (Eleanor Bay): Peter Wendling and Heidi Shaffer BSE Environmental Tech was in attendance; Peter Wendling reviewed the judgment/ mediation agreement from 2009, he also answered any question the board and the public had. Heidi Shaffer representing Darron Farha, she reviewed the plans on the proposed access dredging to Eleanor Bay and answered any questions or concerns.
 - B. KMHC: Hospital Authority millage funds could be returned to the township or donated to the hospital, if the funds were returned to the township, the board would like to see the funds be allocated towards a new fire truck in the future. The electors would have the deciding vote. Dixon made a motion to have Supervisor Banker to contact the attorney for verbiage to be on the

ballot for May 6,2025 election, supported by Havens, roll call Banker(Y) Havens(Y) Dannenberg(Y) Knight(Y) Dixon(Y), motion passed.

- C. Salary Resolutions: Were handed out to the board members to fill out and to be handed back into the Clerk no later than February 11,2025.
- D. Set Date and Times for Meetings: March 29,2025 Budget Meeting at 9:30am, Annual Meeting at 10:00am, Special Meeting at 10:30am, Dannenberg made a motion, supported by Havens, all aye, motion passed.

12. Board Members Considerations and Correspondence:

- A. Supervisor –
- B. Treasurer – Shirley Havens, she gave a review on the ARPA funds. She had school tax collections forms to be signed for Kaskaska, Crawford, COOR and Northwest schools.
Reminder February 14th is the deadline for winter taxes, after the 14th there will be penalties.
- C. Clerk –
- D. Trustees – Jim Knight, he gave an update on Zoning.

13. Public Input: none.

- 14. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Havens, supported by Dixon, meeting adjourned at 6:02pm.**