

Bear Lake Improvement Board
Minutes
September 14, 2023

Pledge:

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by President, Bob Yates at 7:00PM, at the Bear Lake Township Hall.

Roll Call:

A roll call was taken-Bob Yates, President/Bear Lake Township Representative, Rita Brisbin, Secretary. Gary Schwaiger, Manistee County Drain Commissioner, Janice McCraner, Manistee County Commissioner, and Dave Adams, Treasurer/Pleasanton Township Representative.

Absent-Rodney Gee

Guest: Mike Solomon, RLS Representative, Chuck Eminger, and Bill Beaver.

Minutes:

A motion to approve the August 17, 2023 minutes as distributed was made by Janice McCraner, seconded by Dave Adams. A verbal vote was taken, Gary Schwaiger-Yes, Rita Brisbin-yes, Bob Yates-yes, Janice McCraner-yes, and Dave Adams-yes. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer, Dave Adams did not have the report for September 14, but gave the Secretary (Rita) a copy of it on September 15, 2023 and it was sent via email to each of the board members.

Bills:

1. PLM-\$545.70 for treatment of Bear Lake on August 21, 2023.
2. Rita Brisbin, Secretary for supplies \$61.46.
3. RLS- \$3225.00 (final bill 2023).

A motion to pay PLM, RLS, and Rita Brisbin was made by Janis McCraner, seconded by Dave Adams. The motion carried.

Public Comment:

Chuck Eminger gave the board a hand out that he received regarding invasive species, both fish and aquatic plants.

Old Business:

1. Audit Search-Bob will be checking into one more auditing firm before the board makes a decision.

New Business:

1. On Going Budget-After reviewing, a motion to accept the September On Going Budget was made Gary, seconded by Dave. A roll call vote was made-Rita-yes, Bob-yes, Dave-yes, Gary-yes, and Janice-yes. The motion carried.
2. RLS Report-Mike Solomon, RLS representative. Bear Lake was treated on August 21st. Mike also discussed possible invasive aquatic, such as Starry Stonewort and European Frog Bite.
3. A Letter for contribution for the Bear Lake Assessment will be sent to Bear Lake Township, Pleasanton Township, and the Village of Bear Lake.
4. The Board will meet on December 7 2023, to review contracts for 2024.
5. Property Owner meeting had a discussion as to invasive plants not in the lake. The Bear Lake Improvement Board does not have jurisdiction for invasive species that are not in water.

Public Comment:

None

Board Comment:

None

A motion to adjourn was made by Gary, seconded by Dave. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM.

The Next meeting will be **December 7, 2023, at 7:00PM, at the Bear Lake Township Hall.**

Respectfully submitted,
Rita Brisbin, Secretary

