

**Bear Lake Improvement Board
September 18, 2025
Minutes**

Pledge

Call to Order

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

Roll Call

Those in attendance are Janice McCraner-Manistee County Commissioner, Gary Schwaiger-Manistee County Drain Commissioner, Rita Brisbin-Secretary, Bob Yates-Chairman/Bear Lake Township representative, and Bill Beaver-Bear Lake Village representative.

Absent-Dave Adams-Treasurer/Pleasanton Township representative.

Guest-Chuck Eminger, Tyler Dula-Conservation Specialist-Mike Solomon-RLS representative.

Agenda-No additions or corrections.

Minutes

A motion to approve the August 28, 2025 minutes as distributed was made by Janice, seconded by Gary. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Bob read the treasurer's report due to Daves absence. The Manistee County Treasurer report follows;

Beginning Balance as of 12/01/2025	\$186,603.73
2025 Revenue	50,367.51
2025 Expenses	(25,500.00)

Total available as of 9/4/2025	\$211,471.24
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A motion to accept the Treasurers report as given was made by Bill, seconded by Janice. The motion carried.

Bills

RLS-\$3,625.00 and Jackpine-\$156.00 were presented. A motion to pay \$3,625.00 to RLS and \$156.00 to Jackpine was made by Bill, seconded by Janice. The motion carried.

Public Comment

Old Business

1. Assessment for 2026-A motion to accept the assessment of \$125.00 for the year 2026 was made by Janice, seconded by Bill. A roll call vote was taken-Janice-yes, Gary-yes, Bill-yes, Bob-Yes, and Rita-yes. The motion carried.
2. Bob has spoken with the Attorney from Fahey and Schultz regarding

assessment rolls and they will be contacting the three entities. Also, Bob discussed investing the money at Manistee County Treasurers office and was told that it could be done. The board discussed the ins and outs of doing this and it was decided to to continue as we have been.

New Business

1. On Going Budget-the Budget was reviewed by the board after which a motion was made by Gary to accept the On Going Budget for September 4, 2025 seconded by Janice. The motion carried.
2. Mike Solomon for RLS- 6.55 acres of Bear Lake were treated in the spring and did not have to be treated in the summer. We will be receiving the annual report from RLS.

Public Comment

Tyler Dula, Conservation Specialist reported that Portage Lake has Frog-bit and is treated it.

Board Comment

The next meeting will be on December 4, 2025 at 7:00PM at the Bear Lake Township Hall.

A motion to adjourn was made by Bill, seconded by Gary. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:39.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rita Brisbin, Secretary