

**Bear Lake Improvement Board**  
**December 5, 2024**  
**Minutes**

**Pledge**

**Call to Order**

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

**Roll Call**

Gary Schwaiger, County Drain Commissioner, Bill Beaver, Village of Bear Lake Representative, Bob Yates, Chairman-Bear Lake Township Representative, and Rita Brisbin, Secretary.

**Minutes**

A motion to approve the September 19, 2024 minutes as distributed was made by Gary Schwaiger, seconded by Bill Beaver. The motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report**

Bob gave the report from the Manistee County Treasurers office for 11/15/2024. Beginning Balance as of 11/15/2024 - \$167,292.18, 2024 Revenue-\$50,365.64. 2024 Expenses-\$(31,054.09) leaving the total available as of 11/15/2024 of \$186,603.73. A motion to accept the treasurers report was made by Gary, seconded by Rita. The motion carried.

**Bills**

A motion to formally approve the bills from Fahey Schultz in the amounts of \$38.00 and \$95.00 totaling \$133.00, was made by Gary seconded by Bill. A roll call vote was taken, Bill Beaver-Yes, Bob Yates-yes, Gary Schwaiger-Yes, and Rita Brisbin-yes. The motion carried.

**Public Comment**

None

**Old Business**

All data has been provided to the treasurers office and our assessment will appear on the winter tax roll 2024-2025.

**New Business**

1. On Going Budget-review and financial recap 2024.  
After discussion a motion to accept the 11/15/2024 was made by Bill seconded by Gary. The motion carried.
2. Mike Solomon from RLS reported via phone that all in all the lake was in good shape, only 8 acres had to be treated this year.
3. Contracts for 2025-
  - a. Restorative Lake Science (annual contract).
  - b. PLM treatment-EGLE-Bond.
  - c. Fahey Schultz-any and all billing.
  - d. Gabridge-(Audit and all billings).
  - e. Any conventional billings consistent with operation of the BLIB

management.

A motion to approve the contracts for 2025 was made by Rita, seconded by Bill. Roll call vote on the above. Rita-yes, Bob-yes, Bill-yes, and Gary-yes. The motion carried.

4. Authorization of Board to permit Bob or Rita to sign all documents specific to Audit and PLM-Bond contracts etc. A motion to authorize Bob and Rita for signatures on contracts was made by Bill, seconded by Gary. The motion carried.

5. Municipal Assessment was mailed to the three entries.

6. Election of Officers-President-BobYates, Secretary-Rita Brisbin, and Treasurer-Dave Adams. We ran unopposed.

A motion to approve the election slate was made by Gary, seconded by Bill. The motion carried.

7. The meeting dates for next year was distributed to the board members present. Rita will send Janice, Dave, and Mike the dates via email.

**Public Comment**

**Board Comment**

**Adjourn**

A motion to adjourn was made by Gary, seconded by Bill. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

The next meeting will be on May 15, 2025 at 7:00PM at the Bear Lake Township Hall.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rita Brisbin, Secretary