

Bear Lake Improvement Board  
May 18, 2023  
Approved Minutes

**Pledge:**

**Introduction of New Member:**

Janice McCramer, Manistee County Commissioner is our new board member.

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM, at the Bear Lake Township Hall by President, Bob Yates.

**Roll Call:**

Bob Yates-President and Bear Lake Township Rep., Rita Brisbin-Secretary, Gary Schwaiger-Manistee County Drain Commissioner, Janice McCramer-Manistee County Commissioner, and Dave Adams-Treasurer and Pleasanton Township Rep.

Absent-Rodney Gee-Bear Lake Village Rep.

Guest:

Mike Solomon-RLS and Jeff Sanborn from the Bear Lake Watershed.

**Minutes:**

The minutes were read and a motion to accept the minutes was made by Janice, seconded by Gary. The motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Dave read the Financial Report supplied to him by the Manistee County Treasurer's Office.

2023 Expenses	\$ 11,150.00
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Revenue	48,360.03
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Beginning balance as of 01/01/2023	155,747.53
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Total available as of 5/15/2023	<u>\$192,957.61</u>
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A motion to accept the Treasurer's report as given was made by Gary, seconded by Dave.

The motion carried.

**Bills:**

Although pre-approved a motion to formalize the paying of the bills to PLM for \$875.00 and RLS for \$3,625.00 for January and April was made by Dave, seconded by Janice. The motion carried.

**Public Comment:**

Please limit your comments to no longer than three minutes.

Jeff Sanborn from the Bear Lake Water Shed wanted to let the board know that the next Water Shed Meeting is May 24, 2023, at 7:00PM, at the Bear Lake Township Hall.

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

1. After reviewing the audit from Gabridge the board discussed looking for a different auditor. Bob has drafted a letter tentative perspective and review of legal requirements to local auditors for a quote. The board agreed it should be done.
2. Tentative Budget-Bob passed around a tentative budget for June. After reviewing it a motion to accept the budget was made by Gary, seconded by Dave. The motion carried.
3. RLS-Mike Solomon that May 31st will be the tentative date for the lake to be surveyed, with probable treatment the following week.
4. Board member indemnification protection from litigation was discussed, Bob will be checking into this matter for the board.

**Public Comment:**

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A notification letter from PLM was sent to the residents around the lake. The letter describe the chemicals that might be used.

The next meeting will be on June 15, 2023, at 7:00 PM, at the Bear Lake Township Hall.

A motion to adjourn was made by Gary, seconded by Dave. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rita Brisbin, Secretary