

BEAR LAKE TOWNSHIP MINUTES  
7771 Lake St., Bear Lake, MI  
REGULAR MEETING  
January 17, 2018

**Regular meeting** called to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Present:** Pattison, Harthun, Ringel, Griffis, and May.

**Others present:** Dave Lamz, Sean Adams, Russell Vincent, Ron Parrish, Christopher Varenhorst, Mark Sohlden, Richard Graham, Pauline Jaquish, and Joyce Valentine.

**The Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag was said.**

**Board members received copies of the Agenda,** December regular meeting minutes, Treasurer's Reports and List of Bills for the month and Budget.

**Changes/Additions to Agenda:** Ringel made motion to add Amend the Budget before Bills for the Month, and Green Space under New Business to the agenda. Griffis seconded. Motion carried.

**Minutes:** Ringel made motion to accept the December meeting minutes as presented. May seconded. Motion carried.

**Heard No Brief Public Comment.**

**Mark Sohlden, Manistee County Road Commission Manager,** presented annual report to the township.

**Christopher Varenhorst, Eclipse Communications,** presented acquisition and installation of a server proposal for the township.

- ♦ Ringel made motion to accept Eclipse Communications estimate for \$4,050.00 to purchase new server. Griffis seconded. Motion carried.

**Fire Chief Report:** Fire Chief Adams read report.

- ♦ Griffis made motion to purchase two helmets for \$700.00. Ringel seconded. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** No report.

**Planning Commission:** No report.

**Assessor report:** Place report on file.

**Sewer Authority:** Next meeting Feb 7 @4pm.

- ♦ Pattison made motion to move from Contingency Fire Department \$15,000.00 to Fire & Rescue. Griffis seconded. Motion carried.

**Bills:** Harthun made the motion to pay all bills listed including \$863.76 Feld Fire, and any other routine bills. Griffis seconded. Motion carried.

Heard from Pauline Jaquish regarding County Issues.

**New Business:**

- ♦ Ringel made motion to support the Kayak Project with Village of Bear Lake. Harthun seconded. Motion carried.
- ♦ Griffis made motion to approve the Poverty Guideline Resolution #1 Of 2018. May seconded. Roll call vote Ringel aye, Griffis aye, May aye, Pattison aye, Harthun aye. Resolution passed.
- ♦ Griffis made motion to approve the Poverty Exemption Application. Harthun seconded. Motion carried.
- ♦ Griffis made motion to approve Resolution #2 of 2018 Waive Collection of Penalties for failure to file Property Transfer Affidavits. May seconded. Roll call vote May aye, Harthun aye, Pattison aye, Ringel aye, Griffis aye. Resolution passed.



**New Business continued:**

- ◆ Griffis made motion to approve the appointments of Cynthia Zatarga and Floyd Bowling to the Planning Commission term expiring 2020. Ringel seconded. Motion carried.
- ◆ Pattison made motion to approve the appointments of Richard Dansby and Cynthia Zatarga to the Board of Appeals term expiring 2019. Griffis seconded. Motion carried.
- ◆ Ringel made motion to approve the Fire & Rescue Service Agreement with Pleasanton Township for Fiscal year April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019 for \$26,950.00. May seconded. Motion carried.
- ◆ Griffis made motion to approve Resolution #3 of 2018 that as of April 1, 2018, the salary of the Bear Lake Township Supervisor be raised from \$11,500.00 to \$12,000.00. Pattison seconded. Roll call vote Pattison aye, Harthun aye, Ringel aye, Griffis aye, May aye. Resolution passed.
- ◆ Griffis made motion to approve Resolution #4 of 2018 that as of April 1, 2018, the salary of the Bear Lake Township Clerk be raised from \$15,020.00 to \$15,800.00. May seconded. Roll call vote Ringel, Harthun, May, Pattison, Griffis. Resolution passed.
- ◆ Pattison made motion to approve Resolution #5 of 2018 that as of April 1, 2018, the salary of the Bear Lake Township Treasurer be raised from \$15,020.00 to \$15,800.00. Harthun seconded. Roll call vote May aye, Pattison aye, Harthun aye, Ringel aye, Griffis aye. Resolution passed.
- ◆ Harthun made motion to approve Resolution #6 of 2018 that as of April 1, 2018, the salary of the Bear Lake Township Trustee be raised from \$180.00 to \$185.00. Griffis seconded. Roll call vote Harthun aye, Pattison aye, May aye, Griffis aye. Abstain Ringel. Resolution passed.
- ◆ Griffis made motion to set special meeting to review budget on February 13, 2018 at 8:15a.m. Pattison seconded. Motion carried.
- ◆ Pattison made motion to schedule public budget hearing for March 20, 2018 at 6:45p.m. Harthun seconded. Motion carried.
- ◆ Griffis made motion to accept the Fire Department Policy 100 Recruiting & Employment 112117. Ringel seconded. Motion carried.
- ◆ Griffis made motion to accept the Fire Department Policy 101 Driving Record Review 112117. Ringel seconded. Motion carried.
- ◆ Griffis made motion to accept Fire Department Policy 104 Alcohol & Drug Use 112117. May seconded. Motion carried.
- ◆ Ringel made motion to accept the Fire Department Policy 105 Sexual Harassment 112117. May seconded. Motion carried.
- ◆ Pattison made motion to accept the Fire Department Policy 106 Safework 112117. Ringel seconded. Motion carried.
- ◆ Ringel made motion to accept the Fire Department Policy 211 Ice Rescue 121917. Harthun seconded. Motion carried.
- ◆ May made motion to accept the Fire Department Policy 213 Carbon Monoxide Activations 121917. Ringel seconded. Motion carried.
- ◆ Griffis made motion to accept the Fire Department Policy 310 Highway Scene Safety 121917. Pattison seconded. Motion carried.
- ◆ Ringel made motion to send Letter of Intent regarding Greenspace Improvement Projects. May seconded. Motion carried.
- ◆ Harthun made motion to adjourn. Ringel seconded. Motion carried.

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**Heard public comments.**

The next regular Township Board meeting is, February 20, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.

No other business...Meeting adjourned at 9:42 p.m.      Respectfully submitted,

Deanna Pattison Bear Lake Township Clerk