

Bear Lake Township Special Meeting
7812 Main St., Bear Lake
Special Meeting
July 16th, 2018
6:00 P.M.

Special meeting with the Pleasanton Township Board was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Bear Lake Township Supervisor Jeff Harthun with no objections.

Janette May was asked to take the meeting minutes.

Pledge of Allegiance was done.

Board members present from Bear Lake Township were Jeff Harthun, Julie Griffis & Janette May.

*Absent was Bill Ringel & Deanna Pattison.

Board members present from Pleasanton Township were Carol Merrill, Linda Schweyer, Brenda Monk.

*Absent was Judy Girven & Amy Cross

No public present.

Our meeting tonight was to talk about the fire department and see what is best for the two townships to keep moving forward.

A. Operation of Fire Department:

Talked about the ISO survey report from Fire Chief Sean Adams and improvements in insurance

B. Accumulation of Questions About Fire District:

*Pleasanton Township is considering different option for their township residence

*Pleasanton may ask to increase in their millage .75 to 1 mill

*A fire district was talked about and if it would be feasible for Pleasanton to consider

*Pleasanton considered asking their residents about a fire district or a millage possibly this November

*Both boards talked about/looked over the analysis from a few yrs ago from Baird, Cotter & Bishop P.C.

*Need to figure our operating fees and liability for both townships if considering something other than a contract for services

*Bear Lake Township new property was discussed

*Possibility of Pleasanton having a building and having a Fire Department truck at their site, good for insurance ratings also in Pleasanton

*Pleasanton may be leaning towards a fire district

C. Lawyers/Timeline:

*Carol Merrill will talk to the attorney about-

~ A fire district for Pleasanton first and how to base in on-homes, property, population etc... their advantages and disadvantages and also for a fire district, millage advantages and disadvantages

~Legality for our Township Boards if we move forward with this and have a possible "fire commission board" and they disagree

~How to disband and the legality involved

*We thought that Deanna & Amy could talk once we have some information and decide on our next meeting to keep moving forward.

No public comment

Meeting adjourned at 7:11 P.M.

Janette May
Bear Lake Trustee/Deputy Clerk