

**Bear Lake Promoters Minutes**  
**June 1, 2016**  
**Village of Bear Lake Meeting Room**

Meeting was called to order, 7:02pm by Jacque Erdman, President

**Executive Board & Board Members present:** Erdman/president, Jaquish/vice president, McPherson/secretary, Brisbin/treasurer and Johnson/corresponding secretary and Schroeder/membership.

**Minutes for May 2016:** Motion by Don Brisbin to approve as written with correction, seconded by Linda Schweyer, motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report** – was accepted as given.

Checking account – \$6,1313.07

**Motion** was made by Linda Schweyer to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Linda Young, motion carried.

**Attendance:** Linda & David Schweyer, Dick Graham, Vicki Mackey, Carver & Gloria Edwards, Linda Young, Vicki Girven, Flo Girven, Jean Brooks, Wendy Mann, Wayne Wissner, Sheila Wissner, Annelia Landweer, Don Richmond, Dot Haynes, Barb Czarnecki, Rita Brisbin, Jeff Harthun, Holly Bialik, Don Bialik, Pam Bagley, Jeff Bair, Erin Bair and AJ Battaglia.

**Committee Reports:**

Membership/Schroeder – 89 paid members, goal is 100.

Bear Lake Days – AJ needs volunteers to help in many areas. Gave update on events that will no longer be part of this celebration. Updated on new/returning events; Rolling Thunder, Scottville Clown band, new kids games behind village hall, Jr. class dunk tank, spirits, beer & wine sampling a possibility at old BL Bar. Committee members are AJ and Jackie Johnson. BL Days is a committee under the BL Loins. They are looking for groups to clean streets after the parade of candy wrappers, etc. Cost for events: \$5 – fireworks, \$100 – kids games, \$400 – live band (Clear Heels), \$1400 – Scotville Band. \$100 advertising on poster. Sip & Stroke event is filled at Rosie's Bar.

Potato & Pretzel sale - 4 people needed to clean potatoes.

Craftshow/Young – registration is down. 32 slots filled, 20 spots open.

BL T-shirts/Bagley – T-shirt samples were shown. More "I luv BL" pins.

Sparkle – more available spots, contact Pauline Jaquish

BL After Hours/Spring – event went very well, very informative info from Tamara. 35 in attendance. \$150 in raffle now. Looking for venue for fall BLAH event. McPherson will donate \$100 made from wine sampling to the Village of BL for Community Clean Up Day. Flower barrels, downtown/Edwards – no report

**Old Business**

Pretzel machine, Putting on ebay and Bear Lake yard sale on-line

Review of BL promoters events: no change

May – street/flower barrels and BL After Hours

July – Bear Lake Days

August – BL Community Garage Sales

October – Fall Glory Days and BL After Hours

December – Sparkle in the Park

Welcome Wagon/Linda Schweyer – Looking for a helper, McPherson will co-chair.

### **New Business**

Village of Bear Lake Council – Jeff Bair

Update on the Variety Store building – no legal owner at this time. Bair explained the path of legal steps and the amount of money the village would need to take to get ownership of the building. Bair also gave a update on the water/well system for the village. Spring 2017 is the anticipated start date.

Village wide Clean up campaign for BL residents is Saturday, June 25, 2016 9a -2p. Residents will be able to bring unwanted items to the dumpster or out at curb for pickup. Volunteers needed. FREE hot dog/chips/pop will be served. Rain or Shine!

Discussion on downtown antique store and items on sidewalk.

Discussion on Land Bank funds, Manistee county treasurer does not permit this.

Other ways to be involved is through the Community Foundation through AES. The Blight Elimination Fund has been created to provide a way for people to make charitable contributions in support of eliminating blight conditions in the village. The purpose is to assist the village with blight elimination, the funds will not be used to purchase buildings or enrich individual property owners.

Erdman mentioned the library is looking for helpers to clean up their gardens areas and surrounding area.

Jaquish reviewed positive things that have taken place in BL; storm drain – Jeff Harthun explained what the students did on this project. Students hope to be involved with the water/well project also. Article on Hopkins Park in local newspaper insert. Sparkle in the Park is good for BL.

AJ reported on new ice crème business coming to BL, local product (Hill Top ice crème) local coffee, hope to open in 2 weeks. Soft serve ice crème and year round business.

### **Bear Lake Promoters sponsored event dates for 2016:**

Spring After Hour Event – May 25, 5 – 7pm Bear Lake B&B

Bear Lake Days – 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend in July

Community Yard Sale – 3rd Saturday in August

Fall Bear Lake After Hours – Place and date TBD

Trunk or Treating – October 31

Sparkle in the Park – Saturday after Thanksgiving thru December 31

Promoters Election – December meeting

Easter Egg Hunt – March 26<sup>th</sup> at 11a

Meeting adjournment 8:32pm.

Next meeting, July 6, 2016 at 7pm at the Bear Lake Village Hall.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary, Cindi McPherson