

**BEAR LAKE-LAKE BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, May 12, 2026
CITY OF NORTH MUSKEGON CITY HALL**

Chairman Paul Pek called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Chairman Paul Pek, Commissioner Cook, Members Howell and Panici

ABSENT: Commissioner Barrett

ROLL

Member Panici called the roll.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Cook moved to approve the agenda. The motion was supported by Member Howell and carried unanimously.

Member Panici moved to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2026 meeting. The motion was supported by Commissioner Cook and carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Chris Nance, Mayor of North Muskegon, submitted a letter from Sam Janson, City Manager of North Muskegon. The letter outlined the North Muskegon City Council's position on a proposed new special assessment by the BLLB. It requested that the BLLB should pursue any and all public funds from various agencies to offset any proposed special assessment. The letter was placed on file.

CORRESPONDENCE

Chairman Pek reported correspondence from Bear Lake resident Steve Olsen on the proposed assessment to reexamine the Channel Point condominium's assessment.

OFFICER REPORTS

Chair

Chairman Pek reported that no treatment of Bear Lake has occurred to date in 2026. He will contact PLM to obtain their proposed schedule of treatment for this season. Commissioner Cook suggested to ask if a member of the Board could "ride along" while the PLM treatment is taking place. Chairman Pek will ask PLM if that is possible.

TREASURER

The current BLLB checking account has a balance of \$7,531.14, and the investment account has a balance of \$114,071.

SECRETARY

absent

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MI Lake & Stream Association Membership

Still in progress.

New Financial Report and Worksheet

Chairman Pek and Member Howell presented the new financial report and worksheet to the Board.

Nixle Setup

The bllb.org website has been updated with details on how residents can sign up, and a post will be going out on our Facebook page soon.

Spring Newsletter

Member Panici has volunteered to put together the Spring Newsletter.

NEW BUSINESS

There was preliminary discussion on the proposed assessment for the 2027-2031. Items discussed Included:

- Should the participants in the assessment be exactly the same

- Should the manner of assessment remain the same or should the BLLB use a different way of determining the assessment

The BLLB recognizes that the number of participants in a proposed assessment as well as the lake boundaries may have changed of the course of the current assessment.

Chairman Pek will discuss these issues as well as other issues related to the proposed assessment

The timeline for preparing a future assessment was discussed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

BOARD COMMENTS

None

Meeting adjourned at 7:22p.m.

Next meeting: June 9, 6:00 PM North Muskegon City Hall

Jim Panici Member BLLB