

BEAR LAKE-LAKE BOARD ACCOMPLISHMENTS

JANUARY 1, 2022 – DECEMBER 31, 2022

1. Elected **New Officers**
2. Developed and Approved **BLLB First By-Laws**
3. Completed Training of Board Members on the State of Michigan's "**Open Meetings Act**"
4. Developed and Adopted the **2022 Budget**
5. Reviewed and concluded **No Additional Assessments** would be needed in 2022 from residents.
6. **Invested** excess improvement/assessment funds in a short-term CD.
7. Developed and adopted a new "**Treatment Protocol**" to allow faster reaction to Bear Lake treatment needs.
8. Reviewed and approved a local expert, **AWRI/GVSU**, as our Consultant (working with PLM) and water quality testing specialist to replace RLS.
9. Reviewed and approved a long-time lake improvement partner, **PLM** as our lake management and treatment consultant to replace RLS.
10. Obtained a **Grant** via Muskegon County Conversation District for the treatment of Phragmites in 2023 (**estimated cost savings to residents \$3,500 to \$5,000**). **Two other grant requests** are pending (i.e. lake front buffers, boat wash/signage).
11. Developed a **New BLLB Website** to improve communications and transparency with residents. All was done at **no cost to the residents**, as one of the Board members (**Paul Pek**) had expertise in this area. In addition, we partnered with the **City of North Muskegon** who really stepped up, paying for our site registration and web hosting, all at **no additional cost to residents**.
12. Partnered with the **City of North Muskegon** to utilize one of their existing employees to take minutes of meetings—**no additional cost to residents**.