

TOWN OF BONE LAKE BOARD MINUTES

January 9, 2025

Following the adjournment of the Town Caucus, Chairman Andy Brown called the January meeting of the Town Board to order at 7:08 pm.

Roll call was taken. Present were Chairman Andy Brown, Supervisor Nate Bell and Supervisor Nancy Beduhn. Also present were the clerk, treasurer and 9 town residents.

The minutes of the December 2024 meeting were read by Clerk Ellen Gnan. Supervisor Nancy Beduhn moved to accept the minutes as read with a second by Supervisor Nate Bell.

Treasurer Rhonda Bazey gave the treasurers report showing \$333,156.41 in checking and \$23,652.28 in savings. Total fund balance of \$356,808.69. Mr. Bell moved to approve the report with a second by Mrs. Beduhn.

Public Comments: Town resident John Helling informed the board of his intention to donate 2 acres of his property to the Ice Age Trail Alliance. The Alliance will then move a portion of the Trail away from Hwy 48 to the south and a new foot bridge is to be built over the straight river. Doug Route reported that there appears to be no way to connect access for ATV/UTVs from Long Lake Lane to either 95th St or County Road I.

Doug Route reported that the State Shoreland Protection Program was rewritten in 2023. The county is now in the process of reviewing the County Shoreland Protection Program to be sure it is not more restrictive than the states. He also reported that the Bone Lake Management District is urging wake boats to stay in the 30' deep areas of the lake to prevent churning up the bottom of the lake. The management district has purchased the weed harvester and will be looking for volunteers to run it.

Mrs. Beduhn moved to pay the invoices with a second by Mr. Bell. Checks numbering 11665 thru 11685 were issued.

Road Report: Mr. Bell reported that he had replaced the MPH and Caution signs near the Zion Church. Since there is no snow, residents may notice some mowing work along town roads. Mrs. Beduhn reported that she had presented the county with her petition to install rumble strips on county road I at the intersection with HWY 48. The petition contained 215 signatures. The County Highway Commissioner is not opposed but indicated the cost could be close to \$5000. Installing flashing lights is an option but that is even more expensive. Nancy will return to the county board's February meeting to continue to push for safety improvements at that intersection. Resident Bob Dueholm suggested town residents contact the county supervisors personally to urge for those improvements. He also expressed his gratitude to Keith Nelson for all of his work clearing the right of way on 90th. Mr. Bell suggested a future discussion regarding seeking bids for various road maintenance projects.

Ellen Gnan reported there will likely be a Primary Election held on February 18, 2025. As she will be out of town at the time the absentee ballots will need to be mailed, she will have Chief Election Inspector Rhonda Miller mail them.

No further business appearing, Mr. Bell moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 pm. Second by Mrs. Beduhn.

Respectfully submitted, Ellen Gnan, Town Clerk