Village of Fife Lake

Meeting Minutes

June 16,2025

Meeting called to order 6:30pm

**Roll Call:** Present: Tornow, Barbeaux, Magee, Deike, and Deeren

 Absent: Perpich(excused) and Mannor(excused)

 Other: Eby- Recording Secretary/ Treasurer

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approval of Agenda:** Changes to the agenda is under New Business letter ‘g’ will be Fife Lake Music Festival. Motion made by Magee to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Tornow.  **Motion carried** with all yeas

**Minutes:** Motion made by Magee to approve the 5/27/25 meeting as presented, seconded by Barbeaux. **Motion carried** with all yeas.

Motion made by Deike to approve the 6/5/25 Special meeting minutes (to hire the parttime DPW) as presented, seconded by Barbeaux. **Motion carried** with all yeas.

**Bills, Transfers and Amendments:** Motion made by Deike to approve the bills, transfers and amendments as presented. Seconded by Magee. **Roll call:** Magee-Y, Tornow-Y, Deike-Y, Barbeaux-Y and Deeren-Y. **Motion carried**

**Treasurers Report:**  nothing new to report.

**Consent Agenda:** Motion made to approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented. Seconded by Magee. **Motion carried** with all yeas

**DPW Report:** LaMar was not present at the meeting and submitted a written report. There was an email from him referring to the MDOT striping. There was discussion on if the striping should be from Boyd Street to Bates Street as required by MDOT for $3000.00 or do the entire village for $9000.00. Motion made by Magee to do the required striping as required by MDOT, seconded by Barbeaux. **Roll call:** Deike-Y, Tornow-Y, Magee-Y, Barbeaux-Y, and Deeren-Y. **Motion carried.**

**Zoning:** no report in packet.

**Police/Public Safety:** Report in packet

**Guest:** Joe Underwood from Grand Traverse Road Commission gave an update of roads construction going on in the area

**Public Comment:** Mary Ellen Dilley- she discussed the bulletin board base being uneven.

Linda Forwerck- DDA Chair said she is looking on getting it fixed. She does not like public comment directed at me and suggested addressing it in the village Bylaws.

Jeff Billings- of the Cabin Resort, questioned what the purpose was of having the Short-Term Rental ordinance.

Noreen Broering- She has two short term rentals and was asking if there is a grandfather clause.

**New Business**

**Approve2025 Tax Rate;** Deike made a motion to approve the 2025 tax rate as presented at the Truth and Taxation Hearing for 8.3799, seconded by Barbeaux **Motion carried.**

Deike made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-06-26, seconded by Barbeaux. **Roll call:** Magee-Y, Tornow-Y, Deike-Y, Barbeaux-Y, and Deeren-Y. **Motion carried** with all yeas

**JPC Budget Approval:** Budget was not included in packet and is tabled till next month

4th o **Approve JPC STR** **Zoning Ordiance**: After lengthy discussion it was tabled till next month.

**4th of** July **Parade**: Final preparations are being made for the Village participation in the parade.

**Chamber 4th of July report:** Paul McCool all the plans are finalized, the brochures are out at some locations. The welcome to Fife Lake Sign that is south of the round – about is getting some new plantings. The Chamber is concerned about the trip hazard at the bulletin board at Memorial Park.

**Historical Society**: They sent out a newsletter saying what is going on.

**Fife Lake Music Festival:** Brandon Deike proposed putting together a music festival for next year. He is looking for volunteers to help with the planning process. Motion made by Barbeaux to have interested parties proceed in planning the Fife Lake Music Festival event. Motion seconded by Tornow. **Motion carried** with all yeas

**Old Business**

**Commercial Mower Purchase:** A Zero-Turn mower was discussed which would cost between $10,000. and $11.000.00 Motion made by Magee to purchase a John Deere Zero-turn mower for between $10,000.00 and $11,000.00. Motion seconded by Barbeaux. **Roll Call:** Barbeaux-Y, Deike-Y, Magee-Y, and Tornow-Y. **Motion carried.** The old mower is being traded in for the new mower.

**Presidents Cell Phone Stipend:** Motion made by Barbeaux to approve a $50.00 cell phone stipend for the President, seconded by, seconded by Magee. **Roll call:** Deike-N, Tornow-Y, Magee-Y, Barbeaux-Y, and Deeren-abstain due to her being the President of the Village. **Motion carried.**

**Spring Clean-up:** An invoice on what is owed has not come in yet from Padnos. We have received the bill from GFL.

**Beach Sand:** There was discussion of options on how to present sand from washing out. LaMar has drawn a diagram of what needs to be done. After discussion it was decided to wait till fall to possibly dump sand.

**Earned Sick Time Act Policy**: The policy will need to get together for this

**Road/ Asphalt Repair:** The Grand Traverse Road Commission came out and helped with patching on Bates Street and Anthony Streets.

**Communication:** An email came in from Lisa Leedy- Township Supervisor.

Some training information was received.

H&R Block price increase email.

**Public Comment:** Mary Ellen Dilley said that the comments that came in about the Short-Term Rental was upsetting.

**Board Comment:** There was general discussion about Short-Term Rental ordinance.

A request was made to have a Clerk Report added to the agenda.

LaMar should have a seat at the table.

Motion made by Magee and seconded by Barbeaux to adjourn at 8:32pm

Respectfully submitted

Marcia Eby