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**General Membership Meeting – March 10, 2026 – 7:00 PM**  
**Big Lake Lions Recreation Center**

**MINUTES**

**1) Call to Order/Determination of Quorum:**

By: Jodi Time: 7:04pm Quorum: Yes Attendees: 20

**2) Pledge of Allegiance**

**3) Agenda Approval:** Motion to approve: Michael Second: Yes

**4) Previous Meeting Minutes Approval (February 10, 2026)**

Motion to approve: Michael Second: Yes Copy signed: Yes

**5) Treasurer's Report**

Checking #1 (Community Revenue Sharing Funds):	\$27,262.91
Savings #1 (Membership Dues):	\$4,285.04
Money Market #1 (Jordan Lake Park Project):	\$66,730.51

**6) Membership Report**

Voting Members renewed for 2026: 56 Associates (non-voting) renewed for 2026: 3

**7) Presentation(s) (15 Minutes per presentation)**

**1. Kenny Kleewein, MSB GIS Division Manager – MSB online Problem Reporter**

Kenny discussed the tools available to report issues in your area and how they are handled on the backside. New website [matsu.gov](https://matsu.gov), select Problem Reporter at the bottom of the page. Also located on the Community Council website. <https://problemreporter.matsugov.us/>

They are still moving information from the old website and making improvements. You can currently report on 4 areas of concern (vehicles, animal care, road maintenance, and trash in the right of way). They are working on a 5<sup>th</sup> option which is trail issues. You no longer need to call the hotline (only open 8-5pm). You will get a quicker response if you report online 24/7, with more detailed information using your computer or phone, and your issue will be directed more quickly to the appropriate department. You can drop a pin from the problem location, or pinpoint the location (if you're no longer there) on the map for easier location by the response team. If there is a red dot on the MSB map already someone has already reported on that issue. If the issue hasn't been reported, report it. There is also a new app, Survey123, that you can put on your phone, create a report on the app even if you have no service, and as soon as your phone has service again the app will send your report. You can report problems on any road, not just borough roads, they will send the report to the appropriate dept. You can check the status of any report and plowed/graded road status. Contact email, [gis@matsugov.us](mailto:gis@matsugov.us)

**2. Michael Dale – BLCC Website Tour**

Michael went through a tour of the Big Lake Community Council website which is full of helpful information like area events, upcoming area meetings, photo gallery, council meeting minutes and agendas, Jay Nolfi Park reservations, area resource links, etc.; and urges everyone to visit the site and become familiar with it. He is looking into adding social media links to local groups and the 511 link for valley and Anchorage road conditions. If you have any suggestions for additions or would like to put any information on the site, please send it to Michael Dale at [biglakecommunitycouncil@proton.me](mailto:biglakecommunitycouncil@proton.me)

**8) Reports**

**1. Legislative (State House & Senate)**

Senator Rauscher: None. Please direct any questions you may have to [www.georgerauscher.com](http://www.georgerauscher.com) -or- [Sen.George.Rauscher@akleg.gov](mailto:Sen.George.Rauscher@akleg.gov) -or- (907)465-4859.

Representative McCabe: Via phone: 1) There's been a lot of data center discussions based on the recent assembly resolution. W. Susitna Access area, Flatlands Energy clean coal project and Terra Energy (the business portion of that

project), possibly planning a data center in Point MacKenzie. There's a lot of misinformation out there, especially regarding energy required to cool the center, but Alaska does not have that problem being in a cold climate. Refer to his Substack data center article. 2) DOT is committed to study speed limits around Talkeetna spur to decrease speed limit in that area, between May to Sept. Rep. McCabe can be reached at [www.kevinjmccabe.com](http://www.kevinjmccabe.com) -or- (907)465-2679 -or- [Representative.Kevin.McCabe@akleg.gov](mailto:Representative.Kevin.McCabe@akleg.gov)

2. Assembly (District 5) Representative Gamble: None
3. Fire Service (West Lakes Fire Department) Chief Hightower: Her presentation is available on the Council website. There will be a Basic training class in the spring. The Board of Supervisors has 2 open positions.
4. Road Service Area (RSA 21): Andrew Traxler: Special meeting regarding the road contract bid. They retrieved data for the last 25 years of service providers for complaints and divided by 3 to account for discrepancies: based on that information, the recommendation is to not award the bid as was approved previously by the Assembly.
5. Jordan Lake Park Committee: Jim Faiks: 1) Jolly Creek drainage project: 90% chance it will happen this season. Flood water from Wasilla Lake Lucille will be directed to the park. 2) Plans for this year: finish pickleball court, brick entry, soccer field goals put up, 1600ft walkway, wellhouse with drinking water and power. The Big Lake Chamber of Commerce will have a large event in August. Next mtg: April 4, Big Lake Library 10-12pm.

9) **Correspondence**

1. Mat-Su Borough to sell property on W. Susitna and Purinton. Public comment deadline March 31. Public Notice is on the Council website.

10) **Unfinished Business**

1. 2025 BLCC CIP (Community Improvement Projects) Committee – Update: None

11) **New Business**

1. Add a non-voting Youth Advisory position to the Executive Board, and add them under the monthly reports on the General Membership meeting agenda. This was approved and will be added to the Bylaws with a \$5 youth membership option.

12) **Persons to be Heard** (3 Minutes per person)

1. None

13) **Audience Participation** (3 Minutes per person)

1. None

14) **Announcements**

1. The Big Lake Chamber of Commerce, Big Lake Trails, and Susitna Brewing Fun Run event, March 7<sup>th</sup> was a huge success!
2. Ducks Unlimited Event @ Everett's on March 21st

15) **Board Member Closing Comments**

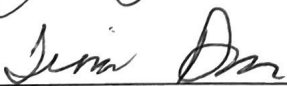
1. Jodi Riddell:
2. Michael Dale: Please use the online Problem Reporter to report road issues.
3. Tina Dobson:
4. Lisa Behrens:
5. Dave Haggard:
6. Larry McKinstry: Added an article about Jordan Lake Park on the Council website.
7. Michelle Traxler:

16) **Adjournment**

By: Michael                      Second: Yes                      Time: 8:15pm

  
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Signature – Jodi Riddell, President – Big Lake Community Council

4-14-2026  
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Attestation – Tina Dobson, Secretary – Big Lake Community Council

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