

TOWNSHIP OF ISHPEMING  
MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Ishpeming Township Board was held on Tuesday, January 14, 2025, at 6:00 P.M.

- 1. Roll Call: Present - Supervisor James Nankervis, Clerk Nicole Hyry, Treasurer Kristin Thornton, Trustee Curt Sjöholm, Trustee Dave Bosio
- 2. Salute to the Flag: The Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Approval of Agenda: Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Supported by: Clerk Hyry. All Ayes. Motion passed.
- 4. Reading of December 10, 2024: Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Supported by: Trustee Bosio. All Ayes. Motion passed to dispense with the reading of the above minutes.
- 5. Reading of Expenditures: Motion by: Trustee Bosio Supported by: Trustee Sjöholm  
All Ayes. Motion passed to accept the bills and order them paid as presented.  
Roll Call Vote: Hyry, Aye; Thornton, Aye; Sjöholm, Aye; Bosio, Aye; Nankervis, Aye

	CHECKS	AMOUNT
Township Operating	47471-47506	\$249,275.46
Township Payroll	34123-34190	\$63,785.94
Reissued Check Adjustment		\$750.73
MERS, AFLAC, St of MI, etc.		\$30,389.73
Total		\$342,700.40
General Fund		\$91,797.19
Fire Fund		\$15,098.07
Police Fund		\$13,748.08
Street Lighting Fund		\$1,769.27
Recreation Fund		\$29.75
Sewer Fund		\$9,041.64
Street Improvement Fund		\$197,965.55
Water Fund		\$13,250.85
Total		\$342,700.40

Note: Street Improvement Fund – ARPA Funds for North Shore Drive Repaving

- 6. Consent Agenda Department Reports: (Attached)
  - a. Animal
  - b. Assessor
  - c. DPW/Water
  - d. Fire
  - e. Police
  - f. Zoning
  - g. Revenue/Expenditure Account BalanceApproval of Consent Agenda Items A-G; Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Supported by: Clerk Hyry  
All Ayes. Motion passed.
- 7. Public Comment: None
- 8. Communications:
  - a. Reviewed Lake Superior Community Partnership Letter
  - b. Approval of Ishpeming Public School Authorization of 2025 Summer Property Tax Collection.  
Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Trustee Bosio to approve. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- 9. Supervisor's Comments: See Attached

10. Unfinished Business:
- a. Discussed Recreation Plan
11. New Business:
- a. Approval of 2025 Ishpeming Township Board Meetings. Motion by; Trustee Sjöholm Support by; Treasurer Thornton to approve. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
  - b. Approval of 2025 Board Appointments. Motion by; Trustee Bosio Support by Treasurer Thornton to approve. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
  - c. Approval of 2025 Application for Poverty Exemption Guidelines. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by Clerk Hyry to approve. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
  - d. Discussed IAJWWTP Dewatering Bio Solids.
  - e. Reviewed Fire Department 2024 Annual Report. Discussion regarding options to bill insurance companies for Fire Department car accident costs and potentially go after insurance companies through small claims court.
  - f. Discussed Firetruck Repair Cost Estimate.
  - g. Reinstated Northern Lights Martial Arts Center access to Township for classes. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by; Trustee Bosio to approve. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
  - h. Reviewed County of Marquette Public Hearing on Proposed Amendment to the Marquette County ORV Ordinance.
12. Board Comments: None
13. Public Comments: None
14. Adjournment: Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Supported by Clerk Hyry  
All ayes. Motion passed. Time: 6:47 p.m.

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Nicole Hyry, Clerk

**Supervisor Comments  
For January 14, 2024**

- 1. Attended the Government Task Force Meeting on December 11, 2024, to review housing property locations in Marquette County.
- 2. Attended webinar put on by FAYHE on December 17, 2024 – Seven essential tools to strengthen your community:
  - a. Public Nuisance Ordinance
  - b. Zoning Ordinance
  - c. Zoning Fee Schedule
  - d. Policy for Code Enforcement
  - e. FOIA Procedures
  - f. A Conflicts of Interest Policy
  - g. Rules of Order for Public Meetings
- 3. Reviewed the Newsletter and made changes that were necessary.
- 4. Attended a meeting at Ishpeming Area Wastewater Treatment Plant to discuss the proposed project to upgrade the Dewatering Press and Belt Dryer on January 8, 2025. Proposed project cost is \$3.7 million with Ishpeming Township estimated portion of \$817,700.
- 5. Started negotiations with employees for raises for the next fiscal year.
- 6. Will be starting on the budget for fiscal year April 1, 2025, to March 31, 2026.
- 7. Had a discussion with Tokio Marine HCC on the repairs for the Firetruck. Received okay on January 10, 2025 to proceed with repairs.
- 8. I'll be out of the office on January 16 & 17, 2025 to attend the Board of Directors meeting of the Michigan Township Par Plan.