

TOWNSHIP OF ISHPEMING
MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Ishpeming Township Board was held on Wednesday, October 15, 2025, at 6:00 P.M.

- 1. Roll Call: Present - Supervisor James Nankervis, , Treasurer Kristin Thornton, Trustee Curt Sjöholm, and Trustee Dave Bosio. Absent: Clerk Nicole Hyry
- 2. Salute to the Flag: The Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Approval of Agenda: Motion by: Trustee Bosio Supported by: Treasurer Thornton. All Ayes. Motion passed.
- 4. Reading of September 9, 2025: Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Supported by: Trustee Sjöholm. 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: Sjöholm, Aye; Bosio, Aye; Nankervis, Aye; Thornton, Aye

	CHECKS	AMOUNT
Township Operating	47995-48050	\$118,558.75
Township Payroll	34449-34502	\$44,392.55
PR Adjustment		\$0
MERS, AFLAC, St of MI, etc.		\$28,240.16
Total		\$191,191.46
General Fund		\$95,894.46
Fire Fund		\$20,302.52
Police Fund		\$11,640.34
Street Lighting Fund		\$1,807.28
Recreation Fund		\$0
Sewer Fund		\$30,513.76
Street Improvement Fund		\$0
Water Fund		\$31,033.10
Capital Improvement		\$0
Total		\$191,191.46

- 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: Trustee Bosio
All Ayes. Motion passed.
- 7. Public Comment: None
- 8. Communications:
 - a. Ishpeming Township Halloween Trick or Treat Hours will be October 31, 2025, 5-7 p.m.
 - b. Approval of Marquette County Assessing price increase. Motion by: Treasurer Thornton
Support by Trustee Bosio to approve. 4 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.

- c. Approval of Ishpeming Township to pay \$30,000 for gravel for County Road GGT north of Township. Motion by; Trustee Bosio Support by Treasurer Thornton to approve. 4 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- d. Discussed Blue Cross Blue Shield Insurance. Township will have Brian Miller come in and talk to employees regarding their options.
- e. Reviewed Matt Treado's Project Scenarios 2025

9. Supervisor's Comments: See Attached

10. Unfinished Business:

- a. Discussed Solar Panel Rebate
- b. Discussed Dead River area garbage collection
- c. Discussed Cleveland Cliffs Properties in Ishpeming Township
- d. Postponed until Antonio Adan from Marquette County Landbank arrives

11. New Business:

- a. The Fire Department Safety Award Banquet will be on December 13, 2025.
- b. Approval of Fire Department Great Lakes Hot Training for 4 members with estimated cost of \$4,000. Motion by; Trustee Bosio Support by Treasurer Thornton to approve. 4 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- c. Discussed Ishpeming Township Safety Awards Banquet
- d. Approval of Ishpeming Township 5 Year Recreation Plan Resolution of Adoption. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by Treasurer Bosio to approve. 4 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried. Roll Call Vote: Sjolholm, Aye; Bosio, Aye; Nankervis, Aye; Thornton, Aye
- e. Approval of Draft copy of Zoning Ordinance for Shipping Containers. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by Supervisor Nankervis to approve. 3 Ayes, 1 No. Motion Carried.

12. Board Comments: None

13. Public Comments:

- a. Ross Olsen from the Marquette County Road Commission thanked the Board for their support with purchasing the gravel for Co. Rd GGT in Ishpeming Township.
- b. Mary Antilla discussed her concerns with the sewer line from Lawrence Avenue to Ellsworth. Supervisor Nankervis stated they have been televised, roots will be cut out, and root kill will be applied.

14. Adjournment: Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Supported by Trustee Bosio
All ayes. Motion passed. Time: 6:49 p.m.

15. Re-convened at 6:57 p.m.

16. Discussion with Antonio Adan from Marquette County Landbank

17. Adjournment: Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Supported by Trustee Bosio
All ayes. Motion passed. Time: 8:00 p.m.

Nicole Hyry, Clerk

**Supervisor Comments
For October 15, 2025**

1. Attended the Michigan Township Association. Board of Directors Meeting in Lansing on September 19, 2025. MTA Board hired a new Executive Director, Tom Hickson.
2. Attended the AWWA Meeting in Harris, MI on September 23 and 24, 2025. Craig Maritti received an Award at the presentation honoring for his 47 + years of service in the water industry.
3. Attended a meeting with the City of Ishpeming, discussion on the Wastewater Plant and status of the upgrades. City purchased approximately 6,000 acres from Cleveland Cliffs.
4. Put together a list of properties Ishpeming Township might be interested in purchasing approximately 645 acres, at approximately \$91,693 offer. Draw back the Section 6 Mine would go with the property. Approximately 8,500 lin. ft. of fencing we would have to maintain forever.
5. Talk to Doug Smith from Penchura on the playground area. He will give us some options to look at for improving the playground area.
6. The 3 new computers were sent back due to damage in shipping. They should be here and installed within a week.
7. Attended Michigan Rural Water Association training on Corrosion Control, Flushing Programs, Distribution Concepts and Boil Water Order Training held at Ishpeming Township on Thursday, October 9, 2025.
8. Attended the P3 Marquette County Economic Exchange meeting at NMU's Jacobetti Center on Friday, October 10, 2025. Discussions on Shaping Marquette County's future on housing, childcare, talent air services, etc.
9. Attended the Michigan Township Par Plan Emergency Services Committee meeting in Lansing on October 13 and 14, 2025.