

**ISHPEMING TOWNSHIP MINUTES**  
**1575 U. S. Highway 41 W**  
**Ishpeming, MI 49849**

A regular meeting of the Ishpeming Township Board was held on Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.

1. **Roll Call: Present** - Supervisor James Nankervis, Clerk Cory Beth Grigg, Treasurer Kristin Thornton, Trustee Curtis Sjöholm. **Absent** - Trustee Charles Johnson
2. **Salute to Flag:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Clerk Grigg  
All Ayes, Motion Carried.
4. **Dispense Reading of Minutes:** Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Clerk Grigg and passed to dispense with the reading of last month's minutes. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
5. **Reading of Expenditures:** Motion by: Clerk Grigg Support by: Trustee Sjöholm and passed to accept the bills and order them paid.  
Roll Call Vote: Grigg - Aye, Sjöholm - Aye, Nankervis – Aye, Thornton – Aye, All Ayes. Motion Carried.

	<b>CHECKS</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
Township Operating	43370-43417	60,077.45
Township Payroll	31561-31619	\$37,564.32
MERS, AFLAC, St of MI, etc.		\$18,831.23
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$116,473.00</b>
General Fund		\$53,398.93
Police		\$4,935.15
Fire Fund		\$19,381.65
Street Lighting Fund		\$4,274.71
Water Fund		\$13,059.21
Sewer Fund		\$21,423.35
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$116.473.00</b>

6. **Consent Agenda- Department Reports:**
  - A. Animal
  - B. Assessor
  - C. DPW/Water
  - D. Fire
  - E. Police
  - F. Zoning
  - G. Revenue/Expenditure Account Balance**Approval of Consent Agenda Items A, C, D & G:** Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Clerk Grigg  
All Ayes, Motion Carried.
7. **Public Comment:** None
8. **Communications:**
  - a. Letter received from Michigan Townships Association Member Boards for Option for Non-Partisan Township Offices for resolution to oppose legislation that would allow township boards the option to have its elected offices appear as nonpartisan on the ballot. Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by Clerk Grigg. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
  - b. Discussion of MCTA Banquet on May 8<sup>th</sup> at Michigamme Township. Clerk Grigg, Treasurer Thornton and Supervisor Nankervis will need to R.S.V.P. by April 18<sup>th</sup>.
  - c. Review of letter from FEMA for invitation to Flood Engineering Review Meeting. Supervisor Nankervis will attend meeting on May 1<sup>st</sup>.
9. **Supervisor Comments:** See Attached
10. **Unfinished Business:**
  - a. Review of letter received from Sands Township regarding Regional Recycling Project.
  - b. Discussion of Direct Deposit. Clerk Grigg will be preparing a trial run with BS&A on April 22<sup>nd</sup>, this will have a cost of \$5 per payroll plus \$0.10 per 5-6 item per month.

**11. New Business:**

- a. Review invoice to be paid to City of Ishpeming for Library fee. Motion by: Treasurer Thornton  
Support by: Clerk Grigg.  
Roll Call Vote: Grigg - Aye, Sjöholm - No, Nankervis – No, Thornton – Aye, 2 Ayes, 2 No. Tabled until next meeting.
- b. Review of Trustee Sjöholms' concerns regarding fire department equipment, twin tower installation, money invested, future services/parts ordered, purchase of garbage truck versus contracting GAD, new employees MERS defined contribution versus defined benefit plans, summer employee, and lawn care quotes.

**12. Fire Department:**

- a. Constitution and By-Laws will be reviewed and discussed at next meeting.

**13. Board Comment:**

- a. Clerk Grigg welcomed Tammie Leece as new Deputy Clerk/Billing Clerk. Trustee Thornton will continue working on the Marquette County Brownfield Board and will also contact Dan Perkins regarding putting raised garden beds in the township.

**14. Public Comment:** None**15. Adjournment:** Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Clerk Grigg and passed to adjourn. Ayes 4 No's 0 All Ayes. Time: 7:26 p.m.


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Cory Beth Grigg, Township Clerk

**SUPERVISOR COMMENTS  
FOR APRIL 16, 2019 BOARD MEETING**

1. Attended a Pipeline Seminar at River Rock Lanes on March 26, 2019. Discussion on safety around pipelines while excavating and notices which they have for Miss Dig.
2. Attended Michigan Township Association Educational Conference in Grand Rapids from April 1st through April 4<sup>th</sup>.
3. Attended the Marquette County Township Association meeting on March 27, 2019, at Negaunee Township. Kori Tossava talked about grant applications and Amy Clinkner from Lake Superior Community Partnership gave a yearly update on what the partnership has been working on for the year.
4. Scheduled interviews for the 2 Police Officers who applied for our police officer position in Ishpeming Township on May 2, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.
5. Working on getting prices on re-doing the parking lot at Fire Department and Ishpeming Township Offices.
6. Looking to hire 1 summer student for summer help.
7. Working on a spec for lawn care services. Who would the board want to send them to?
8. Will be starting the new dug outs for Fireman's Ballfield. Dugouts will be similar to Little League Field.