

TOWNSHIP OF ISHPEMING MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Ishpeming Township Board was held on Tuesday, December 12, 2023 at 6:00 P.M.

1. Roll Call: Present - Supervisor James Nankervis, Clerk Aaron Yunker, Treasurer Kristin Thornton, Trustee Curt Sjolholm, Trustee Dave Bosio
2. Salute to the Flag: The Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of Agenda: Motion by: Trustee Bosio Supported by: Treasurer Thornton to add agenda items regarding garbage collection and Recreation Plan and then approved agenda as presented. All Ayes. Motion passed.
4. Reading of November 7, 2023 Minutes: Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Supported by: Clerk Yunker All Ayes. Motion passed to dispense with the reading of the above minutes.
5. Reading of Expenditures: Motion by: Trustee Bosio Supported by: Trustee Sjolholm All Ayes. Motion passed to accept the bills and order them paid as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Yunker, Aye; Thornton, Aye; Sjolholm, Aye; Bosio, Aye; Nankervis, Aye

	CHECKS	AMOUNT
Township Operating	465636-46702	\$118,683.99
Township Payroll	33617-33643	\$37,696.08
MERS, AFLAC, St of MI, etc.		\$15,374.33
Total		\$171,754.40
General Fund		\$84,792.51
Police		\$21,840.84
Fire Fund		\$24,478.00
Recreation Fund		\$0
Street Lighting Fund		\$1,812.85
Water Fund		\$12,889.69
Street Improvement Fund		\$0
Sewer Fund		\$25,940.51
Total		\$171,754.40

6. Consent Agenda Department Reports: (Attached)
 - a. Animal
 - b. Assessor
 - c. DPW/Water
 - d. Fire
 - e. Police
 - f. Zoning
 - g. Revenue/Expenditure Account Balance

Approval 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. Discuss 2023 Newsletter – Board will get any changes to Billie or Tammie
 - b. Reviewed City of Ishpeming support letter for new fire truck
 - c. Reviewed Negaunee/Ishpeming Water Authority letter
9. Supervisor's Comments: See Attached

10. Unfinished Business:

- a. Discussed Front Office Entrance.
- b. Approval of Board and Planning Commission Meetings dates for 2024. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by; Trustee Bosio to approve. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- c. Discussed Police Department front of building signage – Supervisor Nankervis will obtain quotes.
- d. Discussed GFL garbage collection price increase.
- e. Approval of CUPPAD Recreation Plan Agreement. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by; Trustee Bosio to approve \$3,600. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.

11. New Business:

- a. Approval of Fire Department Air Pak X3 Pro & Carlson Fiber Cylinders. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by; Clerk Yunker approve \$13,940. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- b. Approval of Michigan Association of Municipal Clerk Membership. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by; Trustee Bosio to approve yearly fee of \$75. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- c. Approval of Election Inspector wages. Motion by; Clerk Yunker Support by; Treasurer Thornton to approve wage increases. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- d. Approval of Fire Department All Phase quote for exterior lighting. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by; Trustee Bosio to approve quote for \$780. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- e. Reviewed Federal Emergency Management Agency letter- Final Flood Hazard Determination.
- f. Approval of Fire Department Safety Awards. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by; Trustee Bosio to approve \$253.42. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.

12. Board Comments:

- a. Clerk Yunker discussed 2024 Election and the need to send out pre-postage mailings regarding Early Voting, Absent Voter Application, and Absent Voter Ballots. Board approved using a vendor to assist with it.
- b. Treasurer Thornton attended the Fire Department Safety Awards and thanked the Fire Department.

13. Public Comments: None

14. Adjournment: Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Supported by Trustee Bosio
All ayes. Motion passed. Time: 6:48 pm.

Aaron Yunker, Clerk

Supervisor Comments

December 12, 2023 Board Meeting

1. Attended meeting at Marquette Township on 11/16/23 with Senator Ed McBroom, Rep. Greg Markkanen and David Prestin. Discussion on the new energy bill (H.B No. 5120) which was recently passed. The new bill for larger solar wind energy projects will fall under State Zoning Rules.
2. Attended meeting at Marquette Township on November 20, 2023, with Rep. Jenn Hill and Ed McBroom to discuss House Bill 5120 which Jenn voted in favor of. Most of the people at the meeting objected to giving up the zoning from the local to the state monitoring for the big projects.
3. Sat on panel for Lake Superior Leadership Academy Government Day at Marquette Township on December 7, 2023.
4. Attended the Township/Road Commission Relations Committee Meeting on December 7, 2023. Discussion on road work for 2024 throughout the various Townships. Approximately 26 miles of chip seal is scheduled for 2024.
5. Talk to Jim Grundstrom from Fox Marquette on the delivery of the garbage truck. Due to the strike he expects it to be delivered early January 2024.
6. Will we working with UP Engineer's to apply for DWAM/DWSRF Grant for replacement of service lines. This is a grant to identify lead service lines.
7. Board of Review Meeting was on December 12th at 4:00.