

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

A regular meeting of the Ishpeming Township Board was held on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at 6:00 P.M.

1. **Roll Call: Present** - Supervisor James Nankervis, Treasurer Kristin Thornton, Clerk Cory Beth Grigg, Trustee Curtis Sjöholm and Trustee Charles Johnson

2. **Salute to Flag:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion by: Clerk Grigg Support by: Treasurer Thornton
 All Ayes, Motion Carried.

4. **Dispense Reading of Minutes** from December 10, 2019: Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Clerk Grigg and passed to dispense with the reading of above minutes. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

5. **Reading of Expenditures:** Motion by: Trustee Johnson Support by: Clerk Grigg and passed to accept the bills and order them paid.

Roll Call Vote: Sjöholm - Aye, Nankervis – Aye, Thornton – Aye, Grigg- Aye, Johnson – Aye; with the abstention of the Auto Value bill.

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

	CHECKS	AMOUNT
Township Operating	43906-43981	\$107,452.88
Township Payroll	31873-31926	\$31,886.41
MERS, AFLAC, St of MI, etc.		\$17,627.60
Total		\$156,966.89
General Fund		\$77,198.09
Police		\$8,006.50
Fire Fund		\$28,373.18
Street Lighting Fund		\$4,331.54
Water Fund		\$13,790.00
Sewer Fund		\$25,267.58
Total		\$156,966.89

6. **Consent Agenda- Department Reports:**

- A. Animal
- B. Assessor – no report
- C. DPW/Water
- D. Fire
- E. Police
- F. Zoning
- G. Revenue/Expenditure Account Balance

Approval of Consent Agenda Items A, C, D, E, F & G: Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Trustee Johnson All Ayes, Motion Carried.

7. **Public Comment:** Jake Putala, representing Senator Ed McBroom’s office, stopping by local municipalities to keep up with current events.

8. **Communications:**

- a. Motion by: Trustee Johnson, Support by: Trustee Sjöholm to donate funds of \$1,000 to UPSET program. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- b. Fire Department-
 - i. Reviewed 2019 fire calls for Ishpeming Township, Tilden Township, Ely Township, and Ishpeming City.
 - ii. Fire Department and Board agree to move ahead with CPR certification of members
 - iii. Motion by: Trustee Johnson, Support by: Treasurer Thornton to approve letter written by Chief Mann regarding membership of a firefighter previously a member of a neighboring department, which will enter information into Fire Department By-Laws.
 - iv. Discussion about opening up Fire Department Auxiliary to community members, following same boundary guidelines as membership.
 - v. Motion by: Treasurer Thornton, Support by: Trustee Johnson to purchase dry erase board.

9. **Supervisor Comments:** See Attached

10. **Unfinished Business:**

- a. Reviewed letters to Ely and Tilden Township regarding budget and retainers.

11. **New Business:**

- a. Motion by: Trustee Sjöholm, Support by: Clerk Grigg to approve contract with 906 Technologies.
- b. Motion by: Clerk Grigg, Support by: Treasurer Thornton to approve Corrective Action Plan regarding Retirement Health Benefit Systems.
- c. Motion by Trustee Johnson, Support by: Treasurer Thornton to approve Board Appointments as of January 14, 2020.
- d. Resignation of Brittany Yohe, Deputy Treasurer
- e. Motion by: Clerk Grigg, Support by: Trustee Johnson to have Supervisor Nankervis and Treasurer Thornton review applications and hire Deputy Treasurer/Billing Clerk.

12. **Board Comment:**

- a. Treasurer Thornton discussed Poverty Exemption Resolution for February Board Meeting.
- b. Trustee Johnson discussed updating of Ordinances' status
- c. Supervisor Nankervis discussed recycling; grant funding for containers

13. **Public Comment:** NONE

14. **Adjournment:** Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Clerk Grigg and passed to adjourn. 5 Ayes 0 No. All Ayes. Time: 6:40 p.m.

Cory Beth Grigg, Township Clerk

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS
FOR January 14, 2020 BOARD MEETING

1. The Michigan Par Plan will be meeting on January 24, 2020. We will be notified after that time if we received a grant for the cameras on the building.
2. Attended the Michigan Township Association meeting in Lansing on December 13, 2019.
3. The December 2019 Newsletter was completed and can be picked up at the office or read on line.
4. I will be starting on the Budget for Fiscal Year April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021 soon. If you have anything you want included let me know.
5. Sent letters to Ely and Tilden Townships that we would like to talk with them about Fire Department Rates. Plan on meeting with them later this month.
6. Met with Eric Merrill from UP International Trucks, Inc. and he looked at the truck frame which has the pack rust on it. He will be sending a letter with his recommendations.
7. Attended the Planning Commission meeting on January 7, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.. New member Tom Lucas, was at meeting. Kevin Yohe has resigned, and Kari Dunphy would like to replace him on the commission.
8. Attended the Board of Review training at Marquette Township on Monday, January 13, 2020.