

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

A regular meeting of the Ishpeming Township Board was held on Tuesday, July 13, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.

1. **Roll Call: Present** - Supervisor James Nankervis, Clerk Aaron Yunker, Treasurer Kristin Thornton, Trustee Dave Bosio, and Trustee Curtis Sjolholm
2. **Salute to Flag:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion by: Trustee Bosio Support by: Treasurer Thornton  
All Ayes, Motion Carried
4. **Dispense Reading of Minutes** from June 8, 2021: Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Trustee Sjolholm and passed to dispense with the reading of above minutes. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
5. **Reading of Expenditures:** Motion by: Trustee Bosio Support by: Clerk Yunker and passed to accept the bills and order them paid as presented.  
Roll Call Vote: Yunker – Aye, Thornton – Aye, Sjolholm – Aye, Bosio – Aye, Nankervis – Aye  
Motion Carried.

	<b>CHECKS</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
Township Operating	44891-44966	\$119,882.40
Township Payroll	32542-32606	\$35,886.96
MERS, AFLAC, St of MI, etc.		\$19,895.16
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$175,664.52</b>
General Fund		\$67,150.47
Police		\$4,534.76
Fire Fund		\$16,894.28
Street Improvement		\$0
Recreation Fund		\$6,950.00
Street Lighting Fund		\$4,228.27
Water Fund		\$12,589.44
Sewer Fund		\$63,317.30
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$175,664.52</b>

6. **Consent Agenda- Department Reports:**
  - A. Animal
  - B. Assessor- No Report
  - C. DPW/Water
  - D. Fire
  - E. Police
  - F. Zoning – No Report
  - G. Revenue/Expenditure Account Balance**Approval of Consent Agenda Items A, C, D, E & G:** Motion by: Trustee Sjolholm Support by: Trustee Bosio. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
7. **Public Comment:**
8. **Communications:**
  - a. Discussed MERS
9. **Supervisor Comments:** See Attached
10. **Unfinished Business:**
  - a. Motion by Treasurer Thornton; Support by Trustee Bosio to approve Jim, Craig and Jason to meet with Ely Township to discuss water improvement. 5 Ayes 0 No Motion carried.
  - b. Motion by Trustee Bosio; Support by Treasurer Thornton to approve the no cost proposal with U.P. Engineering for Ishpeming Township Water USDA RD Funding Application 5 Ayes, 0 No Motion carried.
11. **New Business:**
  - a. Presentation from Rochelle regarding the Yellow Dog Watershed

- b. Motion by Treasurer Thornton; Support by Clerk Yunker to approve Ishpeming Township Principles of Governance. 5 Ayes, 0 No Motion carried.
- c. Motion by Trustee Bosio; Support by Clerk Yunker to approve terminating the Other Postemployment Benefit (OPEB) Plan retroactive to March 31, 2021 and approve the new Terminated Leave Plan with the same liability as the OPEB Plan as presented. 5 Ayes, 0 No Motion Carried.
- d. Motion by Treasurer Thornton; Support by Trustee Sjöholm to approve Resolution #2021-10 for Marquette County Hazard Mitigation Plan.  
Roll Call: Sjöholm – Aye; Bosio – Aye; Thornton – Aye; Nankervis – Aye; Yunker – Aye  
Motion Carried.
- e. Motion by Treasurer Thornton; Support by Trustee Bosio to request the American Rescue Plan Act Funding. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- f. Motion by Treasurer Thornton; Support by Trustee Bosio to approve Paisano Paving, Inc. proposal for \$9,000 to do work on Southwood Drive/Peterson and Business M28/Randall Drive/Marigold Street. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- g. Motion by Trustee Sjöholm; Support by Treasurer Thornton to approve the Moyle Trucking & Excavating, Inc. estimate to the seal concrete parking lot. 5 Aye, 0 No. Motion carried.
- h. Motion by Treasurer Thornton; Support by Trustee Bosio to approve the Fire Department Lambeau Field Stair Climb to pay for entrance fee and motels rooms. 5 Aye, 0 No Motion carried.
- i. Motion by Treasurer Thornton; Support by Clerk Yunker to approve the Fire Departments permanent member Lily Delongchamp and accept the resignation of Eugene Bleckler. 5 Ayes, 0 No Motion carried.
- j. Fire Chief Earl Mann discussed the problem with the air conditioner at the Fire Department. Supervisor Nankervis will call Central Heating and Cooling.
- k. Fire Chief Earl Mann discussed wanting to dispose of old pagers. Supervisor Nankervis stated that the Fire Department have them taken off the inventory and dispose of properly.
- l. Motion by Treasurer Trustee Bosio; Support by Treasurer Thornton to approve starting to compile information for the Fire Department to possible start filling pools next spring. 5 Ayes, 0 No Motion carried.

12. **Board Comment:**

- a. Treasurer Thornton stated the Township started taking summer taxes.
- b. Clerk Yunker stated that Preventative Maintenance for election machine will be on July 27 through July 28, 2021.
- c. Trustee Sjöholm discussed MERS defined contribution and would like the Township to look at options for employees to be able to invest money themselves.

13. **Public Comment:**

14. **Adjournment:** Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Trustee Bosio and passed to Adjourn. 5 Ayes 0 No. All Ayes. Time: 7:22p.m.

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Aaron Yunker, Township Clerk

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS  
FOR July 13, 2021 BOARD MEETING

1. Attended the Superior Trade Zone meeting on June 2, 2021. Discussions on what is happening on the water front in Escanaba.
2. CCRA was here on June 8, 2021 and did 10 site inspections on Cross Connections in the water system.
3. Attended the Michigan Township Association Board of Directors meeting in Lansing on June 18, 2021. Discussions on short term rental, sand and gravel permits and American Rescue Plan Act.
4. The American Rescue Plan Act eligible funding amount for Ishpeming Township is \$367,701 which would be received in two payments over 2 year period.
5. Marquette County Township Association will be having a fall banquet at Powell Township and will be held at Bay Cliff Health Camp on October 6, 2021. Tours will be held at 4:00 p.m., social hours at 5:00 p.m., and dinner at 6:00 p.m.
6. Northern Pipe has been in the Township repairing sewer line, cleaning lines and cutting off laterals extending into the mains.
7. Met with UP Engineering to discuss Grant opportunities for our water system using ARPA Funds.
8. Talk to Kurt Tavola at the Road Commission on the increase cost from Bacco on Rose Street from Randall Drive to U.S. 41 and we agreed to wait until next year and re-bid the project. I will check with smaller contractors on the patch we need on Southwood Drive.
9. July Board of Review Meeting is scheduled for July 21, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.