ISHPEMING TOWNSHIP MINUTES

1575 U. S. Highway 41 W Ishpeming, MI 49849

A regular meeting of the Ishpeming Township Board was held on Tuesday, June 9, 2020 at 6:00 P.M.

- 1. Roll Call: Present Supervisor James Nankervis, Treasurer Kristin Thornton, Clerk Cory Beth Grigg, and Trustee Charles Johnson, Trustee Curtis Sjoholm attended via cell phone.
- 2. Salute to Flag: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- 3. <u>Approval of Agenda</u>: Motion by: <u>Supervisor Nankervis</u> Support by: <u>Clerk Grigg</u> All Ayes, Motion Carried. With one correction to 11b.
- 4. <u>Dispense Reading of Minutes</u> from May 12, 2020: Motion by: <u>Treasurer Thornton</u> Support by: <u>Clerk</u> Grigg and passed to dispense with the reading of above minutes. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
- 5. Reading of Expenditures: Motion by: Clerk Grigg Support by: Trustee Johnson and passed to accept the bills and order them paid for May Expenditures. Roll Call Vote: Nankervis – Aye, Thornton – Aye, Grigg- Aye, Johnson - Aye with the abstention of the Auto Value bill. Sjoholm – abstained due to attending via cell phone.

	CHECKS	AMOUNT
Township Operating	44187-44238	\$95,057.23
Township Payroll	32056-32075	\$26,277.92
MERS, AFLAC, St of MI, etc.		\$17,238.80
Total		\$138,573.95
General Fund		\$86,646.35
Police		\$5,638.18
Fire Fund		\$9,269.43
Street Lighting Fund		\$4,346.39
Capital Improvement		\$841.75
Water Fund		\$9,305.48
Sewer Fund		\$22,526.38
Total		\$138,573.95

6. Consent Agenda- Department Reports:

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

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

7. Public Comment: None

8. **Communications**: None

9. Supervisor Comments: See Attached

10. Unfinished Business:

- a. Discussed Attorney, Supervisor Nankervis will setup interviews with Attorney candidates for the last week in June or after the 4th of July.
- b. Discussed Website Maintenance, Board will continue the same way unless there are problems.
- c. Discussed Archiving Social Media, Board is not interested at this time.

11. New Business:

- a. Motion by: <u>Treasurer Thornton</u>, Support by: <u>Trustee Johnson</u> to approve road work in the Township for 2020. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- b. Discussed Meeting at Tilden Township on June 16, 2020 to discuss the Fire Department Budget, <u>Supervisor Nankervis</u> will attend.
- c. Discussed Recycling Cart Grant, Township will receive \$15 per cart from Recycling Partnership for carts.
- d. Discussed MTA Red Book, <u>Supervisor Nankervis</u> provided all Board Members with the book.
- e. Discussed August 4, 2020 Election PPE, <u>Clerk Grigg</u> will call County Clerk Linda Talsma and Chocolay Township Clerk Max to discuss ideas on plexiglass isolation areas for election workers.
- f. Motion by: <u>Treasurer Thornton</u>, Support by: <u>Clerk Grigg</u> to not allow Hall Rentals in July 2020 due to the Covid-19. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- g. Motion by: <u>Treasurer Thornton</u>, Support by: <u>Clerk Grigg</u> to purchase 4 Turnout Gear for the Fire Department at \$1,977.00 each from Apollo Fire Equipment Company. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- h. Motion by: <u>Treasurer Thornton</u>, Support by: <u>Trustee Johnson</u> to apply for a 2021 Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) Grant for purchase of portable radios. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.

12. Board Comment:

- a. <u>Treasurer Thornton</u> mentioned that the flower plants around Township sign have been planted.
- b. <u>Trustee Sjoholm</u> reviewed Pete Heikkila's request on County Road GGT, Chief Kohler's monthly report regarding blight, pictures with Ishpeming Concrete (Moyle), and Chief Kohler's hours. <u>Supervisor Nankervis</u> stated, Marquette County Road Commission will be ditching on County Road GGT, Chief Kohler is working on blight in North Lake, and <u>Supervisor Nankervis</u> did discuss pictures projects Curt supplied showing one with Ishpeming Concrete.

	13.	Public	Comment:	None
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14. Adjournment: Mo	tion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Clerk Grigg and passed to
adjourn. 5 Ayes 0 f	No. All Ayes. Time: 6:58 <u>p.m.</u>
	
	Cory Beth Grigg, Township Clerk

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS FOR June 9, 2020 BOARD MEETING

- 1. Nathan Beckman started working on May 18, 2020, as the Township yard maintenance person for the summer.
- 2. Attended the Marquette County Landfill meeting (by phone) on May 20th and also the Landfill Stockholders meeting on the same evening. The construction of the recycling center is continuing and the opening maybe delayed 2 months.
- 3. Awarded the contract to Moyle Construction to tear out the existing bit asphalt in front of the Township Office and Fire Hall out to U.S. 41 and replaced it with 6" concrete pavement. Estimate start date is the 3rd week of June with about 8 days of work.
- 4. Terrazo Concrete Restoration repaired the concrete ramp on the side/back of the Township Hall on June 2, 2020. Township employees will reinstall handrails.
- 5. Attended the weekly Managers/Supervisor meetings being held to discuss the Covid 19 conditions and when the units of government will be fully open.
- 6. The Marquette County Solid Waste Management Authority sent WMCSA a letter stating that they are interested in purchasing the Transfer Station. They will be meeting with the WMCSA on June 15, 2020, to let them know what their plans are for the Transfer Station.
- 7. Called A. Lindberg & Sons for sand for the playground addition. Need approximately 250 yards of sand.
- 8. Marquette County Landfill has received a request from Marquette Board of Light and Power to get a reduce rate for disposal of 8,000 tons of ash much.