

## TOWNSHIP OF ISHPEMING MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Ishpeming Township Board was held on Tuesday, May 14, 2024 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. All Ayes. Motion passed.
4. Reading of April 9 and Special Meeting on May 6, 2024: Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Supported by: Trustee Bosio. All Ayes.  
Motion passed to dispense with the reading of the above minutes.
5. Reading of Expenditures: Motion by: Trustee Sjolholm Supported by: Trustee Bosio 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	46955-47027	\$167,089.16
Township Payroll	33792-33870	\$41,545.97
Voided Checks PR	33780-33786	\$
MERS, AFLAC, St of MI, etc.		\$35,072.22
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$243,707.35</b>
General Fund		\$141,499.78
Police		\$11,875.45
Fire Fund		\$10,895.04
Recreation Fund		\$0
Street Lighting Fund		\$1,774.81
Water Fund		\$23,442.87
Street Improvement Fund		\$0
Sewer Fund		\$54,219.40
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$243,707.35</b>

\*\*\*\*check #33787-33791 not on last report

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 Sjolholm All Ayes. Motion passed.

7. Public Comment: None
8. Communications:
  - a. Review U.P.S.E.T letter of thanks
  - b. Review North Country Disposal Garbage Cart Information
9. Supervisor's Comments: See Attached

## 10. Unfinished Business:

- a. Discussed Ted Baird Building on Prospect Street – Board will wait for Court Judgment on May 21, 2024.

## 11. New Business:

- a. Approval of Quit Claim Deed Terminating Easement– Marquette County Habitat for Humanity Inc. Motion by; Trustee Sjöholm Support by Clerk Yunker to sign Quit Claim Deed. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- b. Approval of 906 Technologies quote for purchase and installation of computer, printer, monitor and prep of laptop for Fire Department. Motion by; Trustee Bosio Support by Clerk Yunker to approve \$3,080.71. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- c. Approval of Ishpeming Township Master Plan Agreement – April 2024. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by Trustee Bosio to approve Master Plan Agreement with CUPPAD. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- d. Approval of Marquette County Road Commission Construction Agreement HMA Resurfacing. Motion by; Trustee Sjöholm Support by Treasurer Thornton to approve \$188,538.62. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- e. Approval of Marquette County Road Commission Construction Agreement for Chip Seal. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by Trustee Bosio to approve \$66,897.90. 4 Ayes, 1 No. Motion Carried.
- f. Approval of lamResponding Contract for the Fire Department. Motion by; Trustee Bosio Support by Clerk Yunker to approve \$305.00. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- g. Accepted resignation letter from Chris Croley, Chief of Police. Motion by; Clerk Yunker Support by Treasurer Thornton to accept. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.  
Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by Trustee Bosio to approve having Supervisor Nankervis sign letter of voluntary resignation for Police Chief Chris Croley.
- h. Approval of 906 Technologies quote for Township server updates. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by Trustee Bosio to approve \$9,438.95. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- i. Approval of Garbage Rates effective May 1, 2024. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by Trustee Sjöholm to approve. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- j. Approval of Fire Department Probationary members Donald Thomas and Adam Ricklard pending physical/drug testing. Motion by; Trustee Bosio Support by Treasurer Thornton to approve. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- k. Approval of Turf Badger Service Agreement. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by Trustee Bosio to approve applications of summer and winter for \$5,064.75. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- l. Approval of Pitney Bowes Service Agreement. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by Clerk Yunker to approve. 5 Aye, 0 No. Motion Carried.

## 12. Board Comments:

- a. Treasurer Thornton wished Clerk Yunker good luck and welcomed new Clerk Nicole Hyry.
- b. Supervisor Nankervis thanked Clerk Yunker and wished him good luck.
- c. Trustee Sjöholm thanked Clerk Yunker. He also discussed the Townships land available for possible residential development. Supervisor Nankervis discussed the water and sewer lines, clearing and roads.

## 13. Public Comments: None

- 14. Adjournment: Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Supported by Trustee Bosio  
All ayes. Motion passed. Time: 6:56 pm.

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Aaron Yunker, Clerk

**Supervisor Comments  
For Board Meeting May 14, 2024**

1. Attended the MISS DIG meeting on April 11, 2024 at the Ojibwa Casino in Marquette. Two of our employees also attended.
2. Attended the Marquette County Township Association meeting on April 17, 2024 at the new Marquette County Central Dispatch Center. Scott Mann gave us a review of Central Dispatch in Marquette County and a tour of the new center.
3. Attended the Supervisor/Manager's meeting at Marquette Township on April 18, 2024. Discussion was on housing in Marquette County, Landfill issues, etc.
4. Met with Chase from Loadall on our new garbage packer on April 19, 2024. It looks like we are on the schedule for the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in October for delivery.
5. Attended the Michigan Township Association Educational Conference in Traverse City from April 21-25, 2024.
6. Attended a meeting on April 29, 2024 at the Marquette County Landfill. Discussion on the proposed tipping fee increase at the Landfill for the next 7 years. Tipping fees going from \$68/ton to \$105/ton.
7. Attended the Township Special Board Meeting on May 6, 2024 to select a new Township Clerk to replace Aaron Yunker, who resigned effective May 19, 2024. New Clerk is Nicole Hyry and will start on May 20, 2024.
8. Received notice on May 3, 2024 that Chris Croley, Ishpeming Township Police Chief, resigned effective at the end of his shift on May 19, 2024.
9. Attended the Michigan Township Par Plan Election Committee Meeting on May 9, 2024 in Mount Pleasant.
10. Working on a new garbage fee for garbage collection based on the new contract with North Country Disposal and the Landfill's new rates.
11. Summer Student Lenny Pizziola will be starting on May 20, 2024.
12. The garbage carts are scheduled to be delivered to resident the week of May 20, 2024. North Country Disposal will be advertising on the TV, radio, newspaper and their website.