

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

A regular meeting of the Ishpeming Township Board was held on Tuesday, November 9, 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 Sjoholm
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 October 12, 2021: Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Trustee Bosio and passed to dispense with the reading of above minutes. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
5. **Reading of Expenditures:** Motion by: Trustee Sjoholm Support by: Clerk Yunker and passed to accept the bills and order them paid as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Yunker – Aye, Thornton – Aye, Sjoholm – Aye, Bosio – Aye, Nankervis – Aye
Motion Carried.

	CHECKS	AMOUNT
Township Operating	45146-45202	\$112,907.09
Township Payroll	32715-32743	\$32,944.36
Township Payroll Voided		\$-5877.34
MERS, AFLAC, St of MI, etc.		\$18,818.25
Total		\$158,792.36
General Fund		\$68,879.74
Police		\$7,397.88
Fire Fund		\$24,629.90
Street Improvement		\$
Recreation Fund		\$
Capital Improvement Fund		\$
Street Lighting Fund		\$4,231.27
Water Fund		\$28,757.81
Sewer Fund		\$24,895.76
Total		\$158,792.36

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-G:** Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Trustee Bosio.
All Ayes, Motion Carried.
7. **Public Comment:** None
8. **Communications:**
 - a. Reviewed MTA Letter – no action required
 - b. Reviewed Census Demographics – no action required
 - c. Reviewed FEMA Letter – no action required
9. **Supervisor Comments:** See Attached
10. **Unfinished Business:** None

11. New Business:

- a. Motion by Trustee Bosio; Support by Treasurer Thornton to approve Board Appointments for 2022. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- b. Motion by Supervisor Nankervis; Support by Treasurer Thornton to approve Board and Planning Commission Meetings for 2022. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- c. Motion by Treasurer Thornton; Support by Trustee Bosio to approve Blue Cross Blue Shield Superior Health and Life Insurance. 5 Ayes 0 No Motion Carried.
- d. Reviewed Substitute for House Bill No. 4722.
- e. Motion by Treasurer Thornton; Support by Supervisor Nankervis to approve MERS 2022 Renewal.
- f. Discussed Fire Department Annual Safety Awards Banquet.
- g. Motion by Trustee Bosio; Support by Trustee Sjöholm to approve Fire Department Probationary member Brandon Fenton. 5 Ayes 0 No Motion Carried.
- h. Board recommended signing and sending the Team RERC letter to support City of Ishpeming with obtaining the Recreation, Economy for Rural Communities (RERC) Grant.
- i. Motion by Treasurer Thornton; Support by Trustee Bosio to approve the Red Power Diesel, Spectra 20KLM 120 volt lamp for \$1,308.49. 5 Ayes 0 No Motion Carried.
- j. Motion by Treasurer Thornton; Support by Clerk Yunker to approve the Christmas lights from Menards for \$203.88. 5 Ayes 0 No Motion Carried.

12. Board Comment:

- a. Clerk Yunker stated the November 2, 2021, election went well.
- b. Treasurer Thornton stated she was wrapping up the December 2021 taxes, and is still working on the mandatory changes to the chart of accounts to BS&A.
- c. Trustee Bosio stated he sees Marquette County Road Commission are surveying County Road 573, North of Ishpeming.

13. Public Comment: None

14. **Adjournment:** Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Trustee Bosio and passed to Adjourn. 5 Ayes 0 No. All Ayes. Time: 6:43 p.m.

Aaron Yunker, Township Clerk

Supervisor Comments
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1. Attended an open meeting at Northern Michigan University that Enbridge held in regards to Line 5 issue at the crossing at the Mackinaw Bridge. They had posters set up around the room showing the various line across North American that they own, include Line 5 which runs across the U.P. down to Sarna, Ontario.
2. Met with Lori Burton Risk Control Field Representative from the Michigan Township Participating Plan to review the risk at the Township. She met with DPW, Police and Fire Departments as well. She send some policies for the Fire Department and Public Works to review.
3. Received ARPA Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds first payment check of \$183,850. We need to keep excellent records of where this money is being spent.
4. Attended the Marquette County Landfill meeting on Wednesday, October 20, 2021 by phone.
5. Attended the MERS meeting on October 26, 2021, at the Marquette Township Meeting room. Approximately 16 people attended. Had discussions on return rates, investment performance. MERS adjusted investment rate of return from 7.75% to 7.35% and wage inflation from 3.75% to 3% effective with our FY 2021 contribution.
6. Attended the Marquette County Township Association October 27, 2021, meeting held at the Marquette County Landfill. A tour of the Recycling Center was held and the Marquette County Sheriff Department Officer Steve Kangas gave a presentation of the new drone the department has. He also discussed manpower issues coming up at the department along with occupancy rates and changing rules for the department.
7. Olson's Lawn Care put the winterize fertilizer down on October 29, 2021.
8. Attended the FEMA, Marquette County, Michigan Digital Flood Insurance Rate Map Lake Superior Coastal Flood Hazards Update. Talked about the Dead River Basin and Carp River Flood Plan.
9. Attended the Planning Commission Meeting on November 4, 2021. The permit for the Home Occupation was past for Pan Hanson at 145 North Daisy to have a daycare is her home.
10. Attended the Township/Road Commission Relations Committee Meeting at 6p.m., November 4, 2021 at the Road Commission Office. Discussion on road ratings, primary road proposed upgrades for 2022. 2.1 miles of County Road 573 is on the schedule to be paved next year, up to North Camp Road.
11. Attended meeting on November 5, 2021, at Marquette Township to meet with Senator McBroom and Representative Cambensy to hear updates on various topics. Census update, short term rentals, Big Box Store taxes, lead and copper in the water, etc.
12. Paisno's Paving paved Southwood and Randall Drive.
13. Kleiman Pump and Well Drilling re-habited water well #3.