

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

A regular meeting of the Ishpeming Township Board was held on Tuesday, October 10, 2023 at 6:00 P.M.

1. **Roll Call: Present** - Supervisor James Nankervis, Clerk Aaron Yunker, Treasurer Kristin Thornton, Trustee Dave Bosio, and Trustee Curtis Sjöholm
2. **Salute to Flag**: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. **Approval of Agenda**: Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Trustee Bosio. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
4. **Dispense Reading of Minutes** from September 13, 2023: 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 Bosio Support by: Trustee Sjöholm; Motion passed to accept the bills and order them paid as presented.
 Roll Call Vote: Yunker – Aye, Thornton – Aye, Sjöholm – Aye, Bosio – Aye, Nankervis – Aye
 Motion Carried.

| | CHECKS | AMOUNT |
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| Township Operating | 46519-46564 | \$64,992.55 |
| Township Payroll | 33531-33560 | \$39,197.10 |
| Township Payroll Voided | | \$ |
| MERS, AFLAC, St of MI, etc. | | \$20,901.73 |
| Total | | \$125,091.38 |
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| General Fund | | \$65,995.95 |
| Police | | \$10,130.51 |
| Fire Fund | | \$6,761.61 |
| Street Improvement | | \$0 |
| Recreation Fund | | \$0 |
| Capital Improvement Fund | | \$0 |
| Street Lighting Fund | | \$3,532.82 |
| Water Fund | | \$15,554.02 |
| Sewer Fund | | \$23,116.47 |
| Total | | \$125,091.38 |
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6. **Consent Agenda- Department Reports:**
 - 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 Support by: Trustee Bosio. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
7. **Public Comment:** None

8. **Communications:**
- Discussed Ishpeming Township Halloween Trick or Treating Hours – they will be October 31, 2023, 5-7 p.m.
9. **Supervisor Comments:** See Attached
10. **Unfinished Business:**
- Discuss Solar Panels – Peninsula Solar will provide the board with references and additional information.
 - Approval of Marquette County Road Commission 2024 HMA Paving Program list from Supervisor Nankervis. Motion by; Trustee Bosio Support by Treasurer Thornton to approve. 4 Ayes, 1 No. Motion Carried.
11. **New Business:**
- Approval of Northern Michigan Public Service Academy (NMPSA) Annual Membership. Motion by; Supervisor Nankervis Support by; Treasurer Thornton to approve \$120.00. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
 - Discuss Fire Department Safety Award Banquet/Senior Party – Safety Award will be on December 9th and there will be no Senior Party.
 - Approval of Audit for April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton; Support by Trustee Bosio. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
 - Approval of Hannula Agency Notice of Policy Change.
 - Approval of Resolution #2023-11 Resolution Establishing Early Voting Location. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton; Support by; Trustee Sjöholm to approve.
Roll Call Vote: Yunker – Aye, Thornton – Aye, Sjöholm – Aye, Bosio – Aye, Nankervis – Aye
5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
 - Approval of Fire Department Grant Approval. Motion by; Trustee Bosio Support by; Trustee Sjöholm to approve 2 new radios with grant money. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
 - Approval of 2024 Superior Health and Life Insurance Rate. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by Trustee Bosio to approve 7.6% increase starting 1/1/24 for health insurance. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
 - Approval Project Jade Resolution for Charitable Gaming Licenses. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by; Clerk Yunker to approve. 5 Ayes, 0 No.
Roll Call Vote: Yunker – Aye, Thornton – Aye, Sjöholm – Aye, Bosio – Aye, Nankervis – Aye
Motion Carried.
12. **Board Comment:**
- Trustee Bosio stated that Payne and Dolan did a good job on the ditching. He also shared the Townships Facebook post regarding signing up to have your utility bill emailed and asked about auto pay. Treasurer Thornton stated there is an option to pay online.
13. **Public Comment:** Joseph Derocha, Marquette County Board of Commissioner Chair expressed his appreciation to all the board members with all they do for others. He also applauded them for the good work they do with the taxpayer's money.
14. **Adjournment:** Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Trustee Bosio and passed to Adjourn. 5 Ayes 0 No. All Ayes. Time: 7:05 p.m.

Aaron Yunker, Township Clerk

Supervisor Comments

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1. Attended the Michigan Township Par Plan Meeting in Mount Pleasant on September 21, 2023. We selected John Lesinski as Zone 9 Director.
2. Attended the Michigan Township Association Meeting in Frankenmuth on September 22, 2023. Discussions on Early Election Voting, State Wide Septic System Inspection, and \$2.00 per water customer fee to fund for residents that can't afford to pay water bill.
3. Attended the AWWA – Water Meeting in Harris on September 26 and 27, 2023.
4. Sent in the application and paperwork on the State Disaster Contingency Funds for the roads we had problems with due to the flooding due to the quick spring runoff.
5. Received a grant that I applied for, for the Fire Department of \$10,000 from the Michigan Fire Equipment Grant Program.
6. Worked on the Recreation Plan with Kristin and working with CUPPAD to update.