

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

A regular meeting of the Ishpeming Township Board was held on Tuesday, September 14, 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: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Trustee Bosio  
 Roll Call Vote: Nankervis, Aye; Thornton, Aye; Yunker, Aye; Bosio, Aye; Sjolholm, Aye  
 All Ayes, Motion Carried
4. **Dispense Reading of Minutes** from August 10, 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: Trustee Sjolholm and passed to accept the bills and order them paid for March Expenditures.  
 Roll Call Vote: Nankervis – Aye, Yunker – Aye, Thornton – Aye, Sjolholm – Aye, Bosio – Aye  
 Motion Carried.

	CHECKS	AMOUNT
Township Operating	45023-45074	\$148,806.32
Township Payroll	32621-32661	\$ 49,124.44
Township Payroll Voided		\$(10,499.84)
MERS, AFLAC, St of MI, etc.		\$21,355.14
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$208,786.06</b>
General Fund		\$110,895.47
Police		\$ 8,007.26
Fire Fund		\$ 5,550.28
Street Improvement		\$0
Recreation Fund		
Capital Improvement Fund		\$ 147.00
Street Lighting Fund		\$ 4,236.42
Water Fund		\$ 35,525.70
Sewer Fund		\$ 44,423.93
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$136,147.74</b>

6. **Consent Agenda- Department Reports:**
  - A. Animal
  - B. Assessor
  - C. DPW/Water
  - D. Fire
  - E. Police
  - F. Zoning - no report
  - G. Revenue/Expenditure Account Balance**Approval of Consent Agenda Items A-E & G:** Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Trustee Bosio. All Ayes, Motion Carried. Zoning report to be presented at October's meeting.
7. **Public Comment:** Concerned citizens regarding conditions of the Ishpeming Township Animal Holding Facility. (see attached list of names and addresses). Board members will take under consideration and further research on the matter.
8. **Communications:**
  - a. Audit – Lindsey Besonen, Anderson and Tackman was here to review audit. Motion to accept audit as presented was made by Treasurer Thornton and supported by Trustee Bosio accepted as presented.
  - b. Letter to Tom & Luanne Skrenes – filed
  - c. Letter from Michigan Department of Treasury – will be corrected this year
  - d. Letter from State of Michigan – Non Metallic Direct Lease. No questions
  - e. Letter from Brad Austin. No questions.

9. **Supervisor Comments:** See Attached

10. **Unfinished Business:**

- a. Ishpeming Township Fire Department Separate Account. Documents need to be filled and returned to Township Attorney. Fire Department will work on this.
- b. Signed agreement and AP Grant Proposal. UPEA Proposal to perform AP Grant work on feasibility to establish water in Ely Township. Motion to sign contract by Treasurer Thornton and supported by Clerk Yunker. Roll call vote – Yunker, Aye; Nankervis, Aye; Bosio, Aye; Sjöholm, Aye; Thornton, Aye. Motion Carried.

11. **New Business:**

- a. Ishpeming Area Joint Wastewater Treatment Facility 2022 Budget. Motion to agree to budget with IAJWTF by Trustee Bosio and supported by Treasurer Thornton. Motion carried. All Ayes.
- b. Marquette County Road Commission –HMA Paving Program.
- c. 2021 Tax Rate L4029 Form. Motion to approve as presented by Treasurer Thornton, supported by Clerk Yunker. All ayes. Motion carried
- d. Fire Department Fire Prevention Funds. Motion to give fire department \$1,500 for Fire Prevention packets for the school by Treasurer Thornton, supported by Trustee Bosio. All Ayes. Motion carried.

12. **Board Comment:**

- a. Trustee Sjöholm \$367,000 Corona Virus funds being used for West Ispeming water replacement will not benefit all Ispeming Township residents
- b. Treasurer Thornton stated taxes were due today without penalty. Animal holding facility issues need to be looked at.
- c. Trustee Bosio Will look into Animal Holding Facility issues and follow up

13. **Public Comment:** Rhonda Gravedoni thanked the Board for looking in to the Animal Holding Facility. Judy Senske wants to tour the Animal Holding Facility. Angeleah Gravedoni thanked the Board for hearing her concerns regarding the Animal Holding Facility

14. **Adjournment:** Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Trustee Sjöholm and Motion to Adjourn passed. 5 Ayes 0 No. All Ayes. Time: 7:15p.m.

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Aaron Yunker, Township Clerk

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS  
FOR SEPTEMBER 14, 2021 BOARD MEETING

1. Nate Beckman our summer students last day was August 26. Nate did an excellent job for the Township and he is off to Michigan State University to continue his education.
  2. Provided a letter to Sunnyside Trailer Court stating the Township water supplies and sewer service is in compliance with the Michigan EGLE requirements.
  3. Attended the Thursday's morning Supervisor/Managers Zoom Meeting. Talked about Covid, ARPA Funds, Housing, etc.
  4. Attended the MTA UP North Summit on September 13 and 14 in Harris, Michigan at the Island Resort and Conference Center.
  5. Prepared the quarterly Recycling Report and the Tonnage Report for the Recycling Partnership and emailed it to the Recycling Partnership.
  6. Attended Michigan State University Webinar on Budgeting for Fiscal Sustainability on August 25, 2021.
  7. Attending Michigan Township Association Board of Directors Meeting in Munising on Wednesday, September 15 and Thursday, September 16, 2021.
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**List of Speakers during Public Comment Portion of the Board  
Meeting on September 14, 2021**

Penne Figueiras, 2372 Werner Street, Marquette

Peggy Loy, 2382 Werner Street, Marquette

Angeleah Gravedoni, 207 S. Pioneer Ave, Negaunee

Rhonda Gravedoni, 207 S. Pioneer Ave, Negaunee

Mike (Sandy) Prusi, 75 Northshore Drive, Ishpeming

Sydney St Claire, 1010 N. Cataract Drive, Gwinn

Judy Senske, 950 Cottage Street, Ishpeming