

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 8, 2020 at 6:00 P.M.

1. **Roll Call: Present** - Supervisor James Nankervis, Clerk Cory Beth Grigg, Treasurer Kristin Thornton, and Trustee Charles Johnson, Trustee Curtis Sjöholm.
2. **Salute to Flag:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion by: Clerk Grigg Support by: Trustee Sjöholm All Ayes, Motion Carried.
4. **Dispense Reading of Minutes** from August 11, 2020: Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Clerk 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 August Expenditures.
 Roll Call Vote: Nankervis – Aye, Thornton – Aye, Sjöholm – Aye, Johnson - Aye

	CHECKS	AMOUNT
Township Operating	44347-44424	\$101,102.59
Township Payroll	32159-32177	\$27,026.88
MERS, AFLAC, St of MI, etc.		\$16,015.02
Total		\$144,144.49
General Fund		\$42,508.11
Police		\$4,495.64
Fire Fund		\$8,172.65
Street Lighting Fund		\$4,347.56
Recreation Fund		\$1,813.71
Capital Improvement		\$18,500.92
Water Fund		\$23,711.16
Sewer Fund		\$40,594.74
Total		\$144,144.49

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, B, C, D, E, & G:** Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Trustee Sjöholm All Ayes, Motion Carried.
7. **Public Comment:** None
8. **Communications:**
 - a. Reviewed Marquette County Road Commission (MCRC) Crack, Chip, Fog Seal 2021 – Supervisor Nankervis will provide a list of recommendation to the MCRC.
 - b. Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Clerk Grigg to pay CUPPAD membership dues for October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021 in the amount of \$703.00. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
 - c. Reviewed the Ishpeming Area Joint Wastewater Treatment Facility 2021 Budget of a monthly payment of \$15,546.10. It will be placed on file at the Township Hall.
 - d. Reviewed State of Michigan EGLE Recycling Grant Letter, Supervisor Nankervis stated that the Senator is trying to have this pushed through. The Board discussed if the Partnership gives a grant for the recycling bins the residents will then be responsible for the remaining charge of each carts.
 - e. Discussed the Mining Journal story regarding Ishpeming Township ranked the safest small town.
9. **Supervisor Comments:** See Attached

10. Unfinished Business:

- a. Discussed Township Hall Rental/Office, the Township Office will continue to work through the window access in October 2020 and there will be no hall rentals for October 2020.

11. New Business:

- a. Motion by: Supervisor Nankervis, Support by: No Support to add Bee Keeping to the Animal Control Ordinance. Motion Failed.
Board will send Animal Control Ordinance to Township Attorney.
- b. Motion by: Clerk Grigg, Support by Trustee Johnson to approve Paisano Paving proposal of \$29,474.00 to complete paving the south parking lot and basketball court. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- c. Motion by: Treasurer Thornton, Support by: Clerk Grigg to approve 2020 Tax Rate Form L-4029. 5 Aye, 0 No. Motion Carried.

12. Board Comment:

- a. Clerk Grigg asked about the Safety Awards, Board decided to discuss next month.
- b. Trustee Johnson asked about the refund of \$17,000 in the Revenue and Expenditure Budget and possible disposing of old and out date fire truck parts, etc. at the Fire Hall. The refund was from UPPCO due to a difference in a rate change and Supervisor Nankervis will look into disposing of items from the Fire Hall.
- c. Trustee Sjöholm asked about the use of the horseshoe courts and possible starting a 5 year Budget Plan. Clerk Grigg stated she would like to see a kitchen added to the pavilion that could be rented out. Grants may be available. Supervisor Nankervis will look into starting a Capital Improvement 5 year Budget Plan.

13. **Public Comment:** Scott Mann, 1795 Glendora Lane, Ishpeming reminded everyone to vote in the November 3, 2020 election.

14. **Adjournment:** Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Clerk Grigg and passed to adjourn. 5 Ayes 0 No. All Ayes. Time: 7:17p.m.

Cory Beth Grigg, Township Clerk

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS
FOR September 8, 2020 BOARD MEETING

1. Attended the groundbreaking ceremony on August 14, 2020 for the Ishpeming Multipurpose Senior Center.
2. For the recreation area I ordered the Fitcore Spiderwalk. It should be delivered in a month.
3. Wyatt Mach from CCRA Professional Services was here on August 19, 2020, to inspect the water line for Cross Connections at the Township commercial businesses.
4. Paisano Paving was here on August 18, 2020, to install a 1 ½ layer of bit asphalt on the parking lot on the east side of the Township Offices.
5. Attended a virtual Pipeline Safety Program, put on by Paradigm Liaison Services on August 25, 2020, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
6. Requested a quote from Paisano Paving to install a 1 ½ layer of bit asphalt paving over the remaining portion of the parking lot on the south side of the Township building and sent it out to the Board Members.
7. Northern Michigan University is looking at installing a communication tower along Braastads Road on Dead River Campers Property.
8. Fred VanLuven, Zoning Administrator had for open heart surgery today.