

TOWNSHIP OF ISHPEMING
MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Ishpeming Township Board was held on Tuesday, October 8, 2024, at 6:00 P.M.

- 1. Roll Call: Present - Supervisor James Nankervis, Clerk Nicole Hyry, Treasurer Kristin Thornton, Trustee Curt Sjöholm, Trustee Dave Bosio
- 2. Salute to the Flag: The Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Approval of Agenda: Motion by: Trustee Bosio Supported by: Clerk Hyry. All Ayes. Motion passed.
- 4. Reading of September 10, 2024: Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Supported by: Trustee Sjöholm. All Ayes. Motion passed to dispense with the reading of the above minutes.
- 5. Reading of Expenditures: Motion by: Trustee Bosio Supported by: Supervisor Nankervis All Ayes. Motion passed to accept the bills and order them paid as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Hyry, Aye; Thornton, Aye; Sjöholm, Aye; Bosio, Aye; Nankervis, Aye

	CHECKS	AMOUNT
Township Operating	47288-47337	\$44,127.03
Township Payroll	34009-34050	\$43,425.08
MERS, AFLAC, St of MI, etc.		\$18,613.61
Total		\$106,165.72
General Fund		\$69,287.00
Police		\$5,985.84
Fire Fund		\$9,721.12
Recreation Fund		\$0
Street Lighting Fund		\$1,774.16
Water Fund		\$13,688.47
Street Improvement Fund		\$0
Sewer Fund		\$5,709.13
Total		\$106,165.72

- 6. Consent Agenda Department Reports: (Attached)
 - a. Animal
 - b. Assessor
 - c. DPW/Water
 - d. Fire
 - e. Police
 - f. Zoning
 - g. Revenue/Expenditure Account BalanceApproval of Consent Agenda Items A-G; Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Supported by: Trustee Bosio All Ayes. Motion passed.
- 7. Public Comment: None
- 8. Communications:
 - a. Ishpeming Township Halloween Trick or Treat Hours will be October 31, 2024, 5-7 p.m.
- 9. Supervisor's Comments: See Attached

10. Unfinished Business:

- a. Supervisor Nankervis spoke with Mr. Ted Baird regarding Ted's Paint & Drywall. He is trying to sell and has two individuals interests in purchasing.
- b. Discussed Peninsula Solar WIFI link.
- c. Discussed cleaning services. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by; Supervisor Nankervis to have Ishpeming Township DPW do the cleaning. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.

11. New Business:

- a. The Fire Department Safety Award Banquet will be on December 21, 2024.
- b. Approval of Sewer Rates. Motion by; Trustee Bosio Support by; Supervisor Nankervis to approve proposed changes effective January 1, 2025. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- c. Discussed Ishpeming Township Safety Award Banquet. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by; Trustee Bosio to approve. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- d. Approval of County Road GPA (Northshore Drive) CLFRF. Motion by; Trustee Sjöholm Support by; Clerk Hyry to approve. 5 Aye, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- e. Reviewed EGLE Grant Reimbursement Submittal.
- f. Approved Blue Cross Blue Shield Insurance. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by; Trustee Bosio to approve keeping the same coverage. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- g. Approval of Fire Department Wolverine Overhead Door Replacement. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by; Clerk Hyry to approve \$11,462.93. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- h. Approval of Hannula Agency Inc. Policy Invoice. Motion by; Trustee Bosio Support by; Treasurer Thornton to approve \$35,402. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- i. Approval of Schwalbach Kitchen estimate of \$12,190 for the Fire Department Office. Installation will be free, installed by fire department members. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by; Trustee Bosio to approve with extra for the department members to paint walls, install LBT flooring, and electrical work not to exceed \$15,000. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- j. Fiscal Year Audit April 1, 2023, through March 31, 2024. Will add to November 2024 Board Meeting agenda.
- k. Approval of CUPPAD Master Plan and Recreation Plan Community Survey 2024. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by; Trustee Sjöholm to approve what CUPPAD advises the Township to do. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.

12. Board Comment:

- a. Trustee Sjöholm attended the MTA Conference and will pass along the information to Supervisor Nankervis. He discussed his concerns with the fire truck parts. Pierce would not give Fabick, Auto Value or Travis the part numbers for the brakes on the older fire truck and believes this should be investigated to find out why Pierce will not do, so Ishpeming Township can have options for maintenance other than Red Power, to allow for more cost-effective maintenance work. Trustee Sjöholm also received a message from residents in North Lake and will pass along to Chief Kangas.
- b. Trustee Bosio stated he and Trustee Sjöholm attended the Military Tour Invitation for the KC 135.

13. Public Comments: None

14. Adjournment: Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Supported by Clerk Hyry
All ayes. Motion passed. Time: 7:18 p.m.

Nicole Hyry, Clerk

Supervisor Comments

For October 8, 2024, Board Meeting

1. Attended a webinar on the County Data Booklet with Rachel Raak to discuss the growth in Marquette County on September 26, 2024.
2. Attended the Marquette County Township Association meeting at Negaunee Township on Wednesday, September 25, 2024. Enbridge gave a presentation on Line 5 Pipeline. Hoping to start on the tunnel beneath the Straits of Mackinac in 2026.
3. Worked on recommendations for new sewer rates due to increase for Ishpeming Township at IAJWWTP of \$6561.30/month. Recommendation is to increase residential sewer to \$36/month and commercial to \$8.00/1000 gallons.
4. Reviewed the hall rental fee schedule and it appears that we should be increasing rates to cover some of the expenses.
5. Attended the AWWA Fall Water Conference at the Island Casino on October 1-2, 2024, with Craig. Lead and copper updates have to be in to the state by October 16, 2024.
6. Met with Ben from Peninsula Solar and we filled out the forms for the solar panels. We will be getting more information to fill out.
7. Worked on addresses for individuals living or have cabins on a road along Clark Creek in Ishpeming Township. Working with Central Dispatch we will be calling the road North Clark Creek Trail and give them addresses on that road instead of County Road GGT.
8. Attended a get together at Jerzi's on 10/5/24 to meet the Michigan speaker of the House Joe Tate. Told we need grant money to replace the water system in West Ishpeming.
9. Sent paperwork to the Assessor on Dollar General wanting to reduce their Assess and State Equalized Value of their property.
10. DPW will be finishing on the lead and copper checks. They will have their 20% checked and report in by October 16, 2024.