

TOWNSHIP OF ISHPEMING
MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Ishpeming Township Board was held on Tuesday, August 12, 2025, at 6:00 P.M.

- 1. Roll Call: Present - Supervisor James Nankervis, Clerk Nicole Hyry, Treasurer Kristin Thornton, Trustee Curt Sjolholm, and Trustee Dave Bosio.
- 2. Salute to the Flag: The Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Approval of Agenda as modified to add Budget Amendments: Motion by: Trustee Bosio Supported by: Trustee Sjolholm. All Ayes. Motion passed.
- 4. Reading of July 8, 2025: Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Supported by: Clerk Hyry. 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; Sjolholm, Aye; Bosio, Aye; Nankervis, Aye; Thornton, Aye

	CHECKS	AMOUNT
Township Operating	47883-47954	\$214,902.43
Township Payroll	34371-34426	\$56,836.87
PR Adjustment		\$0
MERS, AFLAC, St of MI, etc.		\$28,273.37
Total		\$300,012.67
General Fund		\$98,293.57
Fire Fund		\$22,389.67
Police Fund		\$15,087.62
Street Lighting Fund		\$1,787.34
Recreation Fund		\$0
Sewer Fund		\$39,934.79
Street Improvement Fund		\$104,563.90
Water Fund		\$17,955.78
Capital Improvement		\$0
Total		\$300,012.67

- 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: Clerk Hyry All Ayes. Motion passed.
- 7. Public Comment: None
- 8. Communications:
 - a. Approval of Ishpeming Township Audit Report. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by Trustee Bosio to approve. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
 - b. Reviewed email from Karl Bohnak.
- 9. Supervisor's Comments: See Attached

10. Unfinished Business:

- a. Discussed Marquette County Road Commission 2026 HMA Paving Program, Crack Sealing, Chip Sealing & Pavement Markings.
- b. Approval of Garbage Truck Chevrolet Protection Plan. Motion by; Trustee Sjöholm Support by Treasurer Thornton to approve \$2,521. 4 Ayes, 1 No. Motion Carried.
- c. Reviewed Treado Engineering West Ishpeming Water System Improvements. Matt will come back with a formal recommendation.

11. New Business:

- a. Discussed Trailer Ordinance.
- b. Discussed Animal Shelter Inspection that had passed inspection.
- c. Approval of Rural Water Classes in September 2025. Motion by; Trustee Bosio Support by Treasurer Thornton to approve payment. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- d. Approval of Street Lighting budget from Fiscal Year April 1, 2026, to March 31, 2027. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by Clerk Hyry to approve. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- e. Reviewed MERS Update.
- f. Discussed Ishpeming Township Hall Rental Fees.
- g. Approval of Yellow Dog Set-Back Recommendations. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by Trustee Bosio to approve. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- h. Approval of Budget Amendments. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by Clerk Hyry to approve. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.

12. Board Comments:

- a. Treasurer Thornton discussed the Recreation Plan Public Hearing on August 28, 2025, and the Scrap Tire Collection at the West End Transfer Station on August 20, 2025. She requested we call the Road Commission to have grass cut on Deer Lake Road. Supervisor Nankervis stated the Road Commission is starting to cut grass in the Township.
- b. Trustee Sjöholm requested Fire Department Emergency Extraction Services be added to the September Board Meeting agenda. He also discussed the UPPCO Solar credit on the Ishpeming Township UPPCO billings, going out for bids on the Par Plan Insurance that is expected to increase due to the floods, wildfires, etc., and adding Ordinances to the Ishpeming Township website.
- c. Supervisor Nankervis stated that the Marquette County Assessing are in the area doing assessing.

13. Public Comments: None

14. Adjournment: Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Supported by Clerk Hyry
All ayes. Motion passed. Time: 7:27p.m.

Nicole Hyry, Clerk

**Supervisor Comments
For August 12, 2025**

1. The Board of Review was held on July 22, 2025. There were four applications for review.
2. Attended the Michigan Township Par Plan meeting in Boyne Mountain on July 23 & 24, 2025. Discussions on the cost of insurance is going up due to all the claims throughout the country. Wildfires, floods, etc.
3. Attended the Material Management meeting in Escanaba at CUPPAD on July 17, 2025.
4. Had a request for a burial on private property in the Township. I reviewed the requirements and sent a letter to the funeral home listing the requirements.
5. Attended the Recreation Committee meeting on July 30, 2025 at the Township. Recreation Committee members, CUPPAD and Penchura Representative were present.
6. North Country is going to pick up the garbage on 3-mile road in Negaunee Township, so Ishpeming Township doesn't have to look at doing it.
7. Attended the Planning Commission meeting on August 7, 2025. CUPPAD provided information on the Master Plan.
8. Attended the Fire Dept Neighbors Night Out. There was a good turnout of the public at the event.
9. Got a request from a resident, up close to Big Bay, looking for an address on Yamaha Trail, I'll be working with the Marquette Post Office and Powell Township to obtain addresses.
10. Met with Cleveland Cliffs to discuss property Cliffs own in Ishpeming Township.