

TOWNSHIP OF ISHPEMING MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Ishpeming Township Board was held on Tuesday, February 10, 2026, at 6:00 P.M.

1. Roll Call: Present - Supervisor James Nankervis, Clerk Nicole Hyry, Treasurer Kristin Thornton, Trustee Curt Sjöholm, and Trustee Dave Bosio.
2. Salute to the Flag: The Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of Agenda: Motion by: Trustee Bosio Supported by: Trustee Sjöholm. All Ayes. Motion passed.
4. Reading of January 13, 2026: 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: Trustee Sjöholm All Ayes. Motion passed to accept the bills and order them paid as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Sjöholm, Aye; Bosio, Aye; Nankervis, Aye; Thornton, Aye; Hyry, Aye

	CHECKS	AMOUNT
Township Operating	48207-48267	\$132,535.85
Township Payroll	34587-34633	\$43,178.09
Void Payroll checks		\$-239.00
MERS, AFLAC, St of MI, etc.		\$17,852.20
Total		\$193,327.14
General Fund		\$67,118.49
Fire Fund		\$23,621.70
Police Fund		\$21,105.42
Street Lighting Fund		\$1,845.57
Recreation Fund		\$0
Sewer Fund		\$47,752.96
Street Improvement Fund		\$64.43
Water Fund		\$31,818.57
Capital Improvement		\$0
Total		\$193,327.14

6. Consent Agenda Department Reports: (Attached)
 - 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 Supported by: Trustee Sjöholm.
7. Public Comment: None
8. Communications:
 - a. Approval of CCRA Professional Services LLC Program Contract Amendment. Motion by; Treasurer Bosio Support by Treasurer Thornton to approve \$2,985. 5 Ayes. 0 No. Motion Carried.
 - b. Reviewed email from Christina Rader regarding vacant Mission Point Building.
9. Supervisor's Comments: See Attached

10. Unfinished Business:

- a. Discussed Fire Department Personal Injury Ordinance
- b. Discussed West Ishpeming Resident Issues
- c. Discussed Cleveland Cliffs Properties, have not heard from Cleveland Cliffs

11. New Business:

- a. Approval of Resolution #2026-1 Adopt Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Test. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by; Trustee Bosio to approve. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried. Roll Call Vote: Hyry, Aye; Thornton, Aye; Sjolholm, Aye; Bosio, Aye; Nankervis, Aye.
- b. Approval of Resolution #2026-2 to Establish Township Officers Salary. Motion by; Trustee Sjolholm Support by; Trustee Bosio to approve. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried. Roll Call Vote: Hyry, Aye; Thornton, Aye; Sjolholm, Aye; Bosio, Aye; Nankervis, Aye.
- c. Approval of Resolution #2026-3 to Establish Board of Review Dates. Motion by; Trustee Sjolholm Support by Trustee Bosio to approve. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried. Roll Call Vote: Hyry, Aye; Thornton, Aye; Sjolholm, Aye; Bosio, Aye; Nankervis, Aye.
- d. Approval of City of Ishpeming Library Renewal. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by Clerk Hyry to approve \$4,786.15. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- e. Approval of Ishpeming Township Hall AED. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by Trustee Sjolholm to approve \$2,282. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- f. Approval of Marquette County Road Commission 2026 Dust Control Agreement. Motion by; Trustee Bosio Support by Treasurer Thornton to approve. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- g. Approval of Fire Departments purchase of (2) AEDs. Motion by; Treasurer Thornton Support by Clerk Hyry to approve \$5,819.02. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- h. Approval of Fire Department purchase of radios. Motion by; Trustee Sjolholm Support by Trustee Bosio to approve \$60,366.75. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- i. Approval of U.P.S.E.T Agreement. Motion by; Trustee Bosio Support by Treasurer Thornton to approve \$1,000. 5 Ayes, 0 No. Motion Carried.
- j. Fire Department Comments

12. Board Comments:

- a. Trustee Bosio attended the Planning Commission Meeting and thought it was good to see the community, and everyone attending.
- b. Trustee Sjolholm inquired about the grant status for West Ishpeming.

13. Public Comments: Antonio Adan from Marquette County Landbank stated he was not prepared to speak at the meeting and then was asked to speak under agenda item 10b. He stated Landbank is moving forward and will be sending a purchase agreement to the Township. He stated the Landbank will and has to be transparent and also discussed the Landbank current and past Landbank opportunities. Dave Huetter, Ishpeming MI attended the meeting and questioned if the opinions were heard or not at the Planning Commission meeting and voiced his concerns and opinions. Ralph Roberts, Ishpeming MI stated he was not for or against the new houses development and asked what the forward movement would be.

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

Nicole Hyry, Clerk

**Supervisor Comments
For February 10, 2026**

1. Attended Foster Swift Attorney's on marijuana change from Schedule 1 Drug to Schedule 3 Drug. Schedule 3 Drug is prescription drug, at this time marijuana remains a Schedule 1 Drug.
2. Attended the Material Management Meeting on January 15, 2026. Election of Officers was held, and Lyn Durant Marquette Township Supervisor was elected chairperson.
3. Attended the Marquette County Township Association Meeting at Negaunee Township on 1/28/26. Lowell Larson, Marquette County Undersheriff was guest speaker and talked about what is going on in the Sheriff Department and what type of jail they would like to see in Marquette County. Red Cross stated they have smoke detectors to install in Marquette County Homes.
4. Worked on the Budget for Fiscal Year April 1, 2026 to March 31, 2027.
5. Met with Wally Tuccini on using the hall for yoga class once or twice a week. Looking at afternoon classes.
6. Attend Webinar 2/3/26 with Gary Peters (U.S. Senator) staff on what Senator Peters Office can do to help us get Federal Grants. Will help with FEMA projects, passports, U.S. Postal Service, visiting D.C., project funded.
7. Attended Michigan DNR Recreation Grant Application Webinar at 2:00 pm on February 5, 2026. Michigan Natural Resource Trust Fund Max \$400,000, 25% match; Land & Water Conservation Fund Max \$500,000, 50% match. Recreation Passport Grant Fund.
8. Attended the Marquette County Delegation to the Central Upper Peninsula Materials Management Planning Committee meeting at the Marquette County Landfill on February 5, 2026.
9. The following are the March Board of Review dates:
 - March 3, 2026 @ 4:00 pm – Organizational Meeting
 - March 9, 2026 @ 3:00 pm – 9:00 pm – Review Appeals
 - March 11, 2026 @ 9:00 am - 3:00 pm - Review Appeals
10. Attended the Planning Commission Meeting on February 5, 2026 at 5:00 pm. Discussion on proposed subdivision at old sewer plant area and the Mission Point Nursing Home. Larger turn out of residents approximately 160-180 people at the meeting.