

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 19, 2017 at 6:00 P.M.

1. **Roll Call: Present** - Supervisor James Nankervis, Clerk Cory Beth Grigg, Treasurer Kristin Thornton, Trustee Curtis Sjöholm, Trustee Charles Johnson
2. **Salute to Flag:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Clerk Grigg
4. **Dispense Reading of Minutes:** Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Clerk Grigg and passed to dispense with the reading of last month's 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.
Roll Call Vote: Grigg - Aye, Sjöholm - Aye, Nankervis – Aye, Thornton - Aye, Johnson – Aye, with the abstention of the Auto Value bill. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

	CHECKS	AMOUNT
Township Operating	42240-42328	\$88,973.42
Township Payroll	30842-30877	\$33,833.13
MERS, AFLAC, St of MI, etc.		\$24,354.59
Total		\$147,161.15
General Fund		\$79,023.69
Police		\$5,647.90
Fire Fund		\$20,381.38
Street Lighting Fund		\$4,700.66
Water Fund		\$12,250.57
Sewer Fund		\$25,156.95
Total		\$147,161.15

6. **Consent Agenda- Department Reports:**
 - A. Animal
 - B. Assessor
 - C. DPW/Water
 - D. Fire
 - E. Police
 - F. Zoning
 - G. Revenue/Expenditure Account Balance

Approval of Consent Agenda Items A-E and G: Motion by: Clerk Grigg Support by: Treasurer Thornton. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

7. **Public Comment:** Beverly Oates of 110 Tulip St voiced a complaint about various ordinance violation and she would like to know who is responsible for enforcing them. Supervisor Nankervis let her know that we will be looking into the violations.
8. **Communications:**
 - a. Mindy Filizetti did not attend meeting, no discussion.
 - b. 2018 Budget for IAJWTF
 - c. CUPPAD Membership totaling \$703.00. Motion by: Clerk Grigg Support by: Trustee Johnson. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
 - d. Township Attorney John Heikkila will look into legality of the township paying for work to be done on Cathy Anderson's water line.
 - e. Letter from Marquette County Medical Care Facility for information only.
 - f. The Zoning Map was approved with changes by the Marquette County Planning Commission.
 - g. Correspondence regarding Assessor's AMIR Review. The State Tax Commission will provide additional time to correct any deficiencies noted in the review.
 - h. Clerk Grigg will attend a meeting at the Ishpeming Carnegie Public Library.

9. **Supervisor's Comments:** See Attached

10. **Unfinished Business:**

- a. Per Recreation Committee recommendations, new dugouts will be built for the Fraser-Yohe softball field. Motion by: Clerk Grigg Support by: Treasurer Thornton. 4 Ayes, 1 No. Motion Carried.

11. **New Business:**

- a. Ishpeming Township will send a letter of support for the City of Ishpeming application for a grant for the Jasperlite Senior Housing complex. Motion by: Supervisor Nankervis Support by: Trustee Johnson 4 Ayes 1 No. Motion Carried.
- b. A Street light put up at Hammond Drive will cost \$6,000. At this time there will not be a street light put up.
- c. Truth in Taxation 2017 Tax Rate Request Form L-4029. Approve the new tax rates. Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Clerk Grigg. All Ayes. Motion carried.
- d. VOYA information given to board members for information only.
- e. The Fire Department would like to update the Memorial Park with replicas of the Twin Towers with a new sign. It will be approximately 6 feet tall and have LED lights. Two bids were received. The bid for \$2,150 from Josh Ball seems to be more structurally sound. Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Clerk Grigg. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
- f. The Fire Department will be celebrating Fire Week in October. \$1500 from the Township for supplies. Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Trustee Johnson. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
- g. The Fire Department would like to remove trees and replace with one new tree. Also rent a stump grinder. Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Trustee Johnson. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
- h. The Fire Department would like to buy 2 new backup cameras for trucks 2151 and 2152. They chose the CabCam from Auto Value. Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Clerk Grigg 4 Ayes, 0 No. Trustee Johnson Abstained.

12. **Board Comments:**

- a. Trustee Johnson inquired about the police system getting up and running. Officer Williams said that he is waiting on MSP and 906 Technologies to get things up and running. They said that it should be ready in October.
- b. Trustee Sjolholm asked if Derek Wing, the summer worker had left. Derek Wing left for school at the end of August. He also said that residents had asked why they are not seeing a police presence. Trustee Sjolholm attended MTA "On the Road" Training in Houghton, MI. He also asked if the Audit had any red flags. Supervisor Nankervis said "no".

13. **Public Comment:** Members of the Fire Department attended the 9/11 Walk at Lambeau Field in Green Bay over the past weekend. They climbed a total of 110 stories and walked for Firemen who lost their lives on 9/11. \$110,000 was raised for the National Fallen Fire Fighters Association.

16. **Adjournment:** Motion by: Clerk Grigg Support by: Treasurer Thornton and passed to adjourn. Ayes 5 No's 0 All Ayes. Time: 7:06 p.m.

Cory Beth Grigg, Township Clerk

Supervisor Comments

September 19, 2017

1. Mitch Cain started as a laborer for the DPW on August 14, 2017. He seems to be catching on quickly.
2. Attended the Superior Trade Zone Meeting on August 22, 2017. Discussion on administering services for the organization, addition of Tribes to the Superior Trade Zone.
3. Attended the Quarterly meeting of the Iron County Township Association on August 10, 2017.
4. Continued working on the Water Reliability Study for Ishpeming Township. Contact Scott Swenor from UP Engineering to get a cost on.
5. I attended the Michigan Township Association Board of Directors meeting in Mackinaw City on September 14-15, 2017
6. Sam Fry from County Road GGG (Camp 9 Rd) requested Ishpeming Township upgrade the road to year around status. I left a message for him to talk with residents about a special assessment to upgrade the road. If property owners want to hold an election for special assessment, it could be done next year.
7. Attended the Michigan Township Association "On the Road" presentation in Escanaba today along with Charlie Johnson.