

ISHPEMING TOWNSHIP MINUTES**1575 U. S. Highway 41 W****Ishpeming, MI 49849**

A regular meeting of the Ishpeming Township Board was held on Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at 6:00 P.M.

1. **Roll Call: Present** - Supervisor James Nankervis, Clerk Cory Beth Grigg, Treasurer Kristin Thornton, Trustee Charles Johnson. Absent- Trustee Curtis Sjöholm (on the phone)
2. **Salute to Flag:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion by: Clerk Grigg Support by: Treasurer Thornton
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 - Absent, Nankervis – Aye, Thornton - Aye, Johnson – Aye, with the abstention of the Auto Value bill. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

	CHECKS	AMOUNT
Township Operating	42895-42923	\$84,879.92
Township Payroll	31238-31289	\$34,126.51
MERS, AFLAC, St of MI, etc.		\$18,583.85
Total		\$137,590.28
General Fund		\$69,496.05
Police		\$4,157.43
Fire Fund		\$15,802.23
Street Improvement		\$3,746.60
Street Lighting Fund		\$1,103.14
Water Fund		\$11,650.81
Sewer Fund		\$31,634.02
Total		\$137,590.28

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-E and G: Motion by: Trustee Johnson Support by: Treasurer Thornton All Ayes, Motion Carried.

7. **Public Comment:**

- a. Kevin Blank, 240 Gold Street, disappointed with letter he was sent regarding chickens from the Zoning Administrator. His chickens are checked on daily, used for their eggs only, children take a lot of responsibility for them, kept in coop. Would like to see ordinance reviewed and updated.
- b. Andrew Ahonen, 1730 Rosewood Lane, complaint of blight at 1740 Rosewood Lane. Officer Williams has spoken with resident, and supposedly will be taken care of in a couple weeks.
- c. Judy Senske, 950 Cottage Street, neighborhood looking bad, untitled vehicles, black garbage bags piled up at residence. Will get specific addresses to Supervisor Nankervis.

8. **Communications:**

- a. MTA "On the Road" 2018 Regional Meeting in October, anyone that is interested in attending, let Clerk Grigg know by September 18th.

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

10. **Unfinished Business:**

- a. Mbank will have Direct Deposit completed by Thursday, August 16, 2018.

11. New Business:

- a. Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Trustee Johnson to purchase Kubota lawn mower for \$5,899.90 from UP Kubota. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
- b. Motion by Clerk Grigg Support by: Trustee Johnson to accept contract from Anderson, Tackman & Company, PLC for years ending March 31, 2019, 2020, and 2021. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
- c. Planning Commission supplied Board with sample regulations on Chickens, board would like to see the recommended ordinance from Planning Commission, including whether a fee should be collected, and the radius required for the conditional use permit.
- d. Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Trustee Johnson to go out for bids for 2018 Backhoe Loader. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
- e. Police vehicle should be on the road in the next week. Looking into prices for future purchase of either a Tahoe or Quad-Cab Pickup truck.
- f. Supervisor Nankervis recommends Mike from Anderson Tackman & Assoc. to come in and speak with Board regarding any questions with the Draft Audit that was supplied to the Board.
- g. Replacing Teledoc with BCBS Amwell program tabled till next meeting.
- h. We have approximately 20 bikes in our possession, the Board would like to donate the bikes, otherwise after 30 days the bikes will go to the dump.
- i. Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Clerk Grigg to continue to generate .5 mills for the Street Lighting Budget for fiscal year April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020.

12. Fire Department:

- a. Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Trustee Johnson to send 9 firefighters to Green Bay for the 9/11 Stair Climb on September 22, 2018, and pay for lodging and registration fee with the exception that if a firefighter backs out, they will reimburse the Township their registration fee.

13. Board Comments:

- a. Treasurer Thornton said Neighbors Night Out was a success, good job to all.
- b. Trustee Johnson said firehall paint job looks great.
- c. Clerk Grigg attended MAMC UP Master Academy on Thursday, August 9, 2018. Lots of good information, happy she attended.
- d. Trustee Sjoloms' questions and comments were forwarded to all Board members to review. Treasurer Thornton noted that Trustee Sjolholm may speak with her about reports.

14. Public Comment:

- a. None

16. **Adjournment:** Motion by: Treasurer Thornton Support by: Clerk Grigg and passed to adjourn. Ayes 4 No's 0 All Ayes. Time: 6:50 pm

Cory Beth Grigg, Township Clerk

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1. Attended a webinar on the new lead and copper rules for the State of Michigan. We will need to check for lead goose necks on galvanize pipe lines going to homes.
2. Met with Amy Duville, Michigan DEQ Water, on Ishpeming Township water system with the DPW. Amy said we are doing a good job with our water system.
3. Attended the Utility Review Committee meeting in Skandia Township on July 25, 2018. This meeting was for the 6 charter members of the Marquette Board of Light and Power to split the franchise fee they get from the power company. This year it was \$8,120.13. Ishpeming Township has only 7 users on the system.
4. Attended the Marquette County Solid Waste Planning Committee Meeting at the Court House in Marquette on July 31, 2018. Reviewing the Materials Management Plan for Marquette County.
5. Working with Lindsay Wagner on the rebate for the LED light change out we did last winter.
6. Attended the MTA-UP Summit in Harris, MI on August 1, 2018. I didn't attend the second day of the summit due to a death in the family. I distributed the information I received at the conference.
7. The engine of the police car died on August 6, 2018. Woody's Repair has ordered a rebuilt engine and hope to have it installed by the end of next week. The estimated cost for this work is \$6,200.00
8. Dondre Yohe will be done working for the summer on August 17, 2018. Good Luck to Dondre in his studies at Bay De Noc College.
9. We went out for bids on street signs that are needed.