

The Ishpeming Cemetery Board meeting was held on Monday, March 17, 2025 at the Ishpeming City Hall Conference Room. The meeting was called to order at 3:02 p.m. by Member Magnuson.

Staff present: Bill Anderson-DPW General Foreman, Kaleb Rundman-Assistant Foreman Cemetery Parks and Kathy Hakala-UB Clerk-Deputy Clerk. Council Liaison: Councilmember Kipling was present.

Present: Tracy Magnuson, Jim Bertucci, and Karen Kasper (3). Absent: Nichole Nelson (1). There is 1 vacant seat.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

A motion was made by Member Bertucci, supported by Member Kasper and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of January 20, 2025 as presented.

CEMETERY REPORT

Kaleb Rundman – Assistant Foreman Cemetery/Parks provided an update on the Cemetery. There were 8 winter burials and the blanket works great for them. They will be opening some roads and doing clean up.

Bill Anderson – DPW General Foreman presented the GIS system update for the Cemetery and discussed some of the features of it. A QR code will be posted for anyone to search for family members and it will also state if they are a veteran and which war that they served in. Six of the seven sections are completed and the last one will be \$8200 to complete.

A motion was made by member Bertucci, supported by Member Kasper and carried unanimously to make a recommendation to finish the map at just our cost and the City of Ishpeming will update it.

OLD BUSINESS

Kaleb Rundman – Assistant Foreman Cemetery/Parks provided an update on the artwork for the new columbariums. They are working on getting some samples or could copy from the ones we already have.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilmember Kipling discussed the possibility of some members of the Lions Club helping out with any clean-up that would be needed at the Cemetery. They could also help clean the Veteran Markers and the footstones, help with the flags that the American Legion puts out, they place approximately 2400 flags on the graves or any other task that needs to be completed. Kaleb would be the person of contact with the list of what needs to be completed.

There was discussion about the wages for the Summer Students to have their wage increased to \$15.00 per hour.

Member Bertucci made a motion, supported by Member Kasper and carried unanimously to recommend the wage increased to \$15.00 per hour for the Summer Students.

NEXT MEETING DATE AND PLACE

The next meeting will be held May 19, 2025, at Ishpeming City Hall, Member Bertucci will not be able to attend.

ADJOURNMENT

At 3:20 p.m., a motion was made by Member Magnuson with support from Member Kasper and carried unanimously to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,



Kathy Hakala

UB Clerk/Deputy Clerk