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ARTHUR TOWNSHIP BOARD SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES May 20, 2019 7 PM

Township Hall 3031 S. Athey Ave, Clare, MI 48617

Meeting called to order at 7 pm by Supervisor Schunk with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Anna Sharp, Lamar Gunden, Lee Schunk, Brenda Poet, Erma Kleinhardt present.

Guest Speaker Laura Genovich, attorney from Foster Swift Collins & Smith of Grand Rapids.

- Arthur Township has retained Ms. Genovich to represent the township regarding the creation of a fire district and for other legal issues that concern township business. She is a specialist in township law and has worked on the creation of many special districts. It is her recommendation that the township proceed to create a special fire district under PA33. She will advise the township board on passing a resolution and the requirements for public notice and hearings and will also work with the Harrison Fire Department to create a new five year draft contract.
- The changes to the law under PA33 require the assessment for a fire district to be made on the taxable property of the area of the district (excepting properties with exemption from property tax).

Motion to adopt the recommendation of Ms. Genovich to proceed to create a fire district under Michigan Public Act 33 was made by Anna Sharp. Gunden seconded. Roll Call: Kleinhardt –yes, Schunk – yes, Gunden – yes, Sharp – yes, Poet – yes. Motion carried.

Opportunity was given for public comment.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:35 P.m.

Submitted by Brenda Poet, Clerk