

CLAY TOWNSHIP

Special Meeting

November 4, 2019

Trustee Vore called the Special meeting to order at 4:01pm concerning the Fire/EMS contract with the Village of Verona. Trustee Winner and Trustee Vore were present. Pledge of Allegiance was said and Rollcall was taken:

Winner – present Woolf – absent Vore - present

Fire Chief Ray Rayburg presented runs made during 2018 which was similar to 2017. Chief Rayburg indicated that the Village of Verona attempts to provide mutual aid with the other Fire/EMS departments but there has not been very successful. There was general discussion concerning working with other Fire/EMS departments, servicing the Township residents and the age of Fire/EMS equipment. Mayor Mary Myer indicated that the Village of Verona is in desperate need on monies to continue to provide Fire/EMS services. Trustee Vore shared that the future of levies will probably be to fund specific needs rather a general/umbrella levy. Chief Rayburg indicated Harrison Township has had increases over the last several years but the increases were not enough to cover what was reduced from Clay Township years ago. There was discussion on the failure of the prior two levies that had not passed in 2018 and shared a concern be being able to pass a new levy in 2020 to replace the one just expired. Trustee Vore indicated a need for a capital improvement levy for necessary funds. Chief Rayburg indicated having an issue with keeping volunteers as everyone is experiencing a loss of volunteerism which makes their ability to provide the necessary coverage challenging.


Trustee Vore indicated the Township will talk with the other Fire/EMS departments and probably will get all three departments together to try to create a plan to continue providing quality Fire/EMS services to the residents. Everyone agreed it was time to do something different to keep the Fire/EMS departments funded and in operation.

Trustee Vore moved to adjourn the meeting; Trustee Winner seconded the motion.

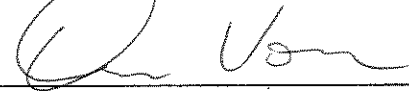
Roll call:

Winner – Yes Vore - Yes

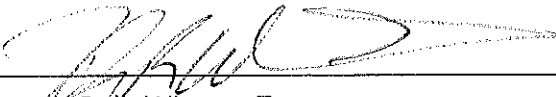
Meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm.



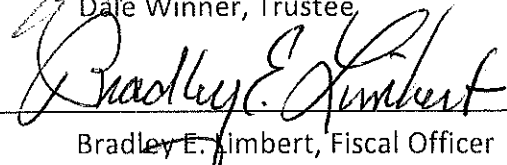
Steve Woolf, Trustee



Dave Vore, Trustee



Dale Winner, Trustee



Bradley E. Lambert, Fiscal Officer