

**Lenox Township  
Planning Commission Meeting  
Monday, May 20, 2019**

1. **Call to Order:** 7:00 PM  
**Members present:** Gennette - Chairperson, Vennard - Co-Chair, Clifford - Secretary, Ickes and Marino  
**Planner:** Stephen Cassin

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

Gennette requested to change agenda item #5 Approval of Agenda up to # 3 and move #3 Public Hearing to New Business # a with the other New Business items move down one letter.

Motion: Marino Support: Clifford

Motion to approve agenda for May 20, 2019 as modified. All Ayes. Motion carried.

3. **Approval of Previous Minutes** – February 14, 2019 and February 25, 2019

Motion: Clifford Support: Vennard

Motion to approve the minutes for the Special Planning Commission meeting on February 14, 2019 and Regular Planning Commission meeting February 25, 2019 meetings as presented. All Ayes. Motion carried.

4. **Unfinished Business**

5. **New Business**

- a. **Public Hearing: Rezoning Request: GTR Companies, LLC, 19-06-23-100-014, Vacant from Recreational to Industrial Restricted.**

Motion: Marino Support: Vennard

Motion to open the Public Hearing at 7:05 pm. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Clifford read the Public Hearing Notice.

Cassin Township Planner gave a brief explanation of the request submitted by GTR Companies, LLC, for the purpose of rezoning the vacant parcel consisting of 24.179 acres from Recreational to Industrial Restricted, in order to construct an industrial park which is located on the east side of Gratiot Avenue, between 28 Mile Road and 29 Mile Road. This is compatible to the master plan.

N. Rizzo representing GTR Companies, we would like this parcel rezoned from Recreational to Industrial Restricted. The intent would be to develop an industrial park.

Clifford commented that this is the parcel just north of the former Salt River Park on the east side.

Comments from the audience:

G. T. Radke, stated that it's ironic that his initials are GTR, Roseville resident with property right next to Salt River. He just wanted to know what is proposed for this property as a neutral party.

Motion: Marino Support: Vennard

Motion to close Public Hearing for Parcel # 19-06-03-100-014 at 7:08 pm. Roll Call: Marino, Vennard, Ickes, Clifford and Gennette. Motion carried.

Motion: Marino Support: Vennard

Motion to approve the rezoning for Parcel 19-06-03-100-014 from Recreational to Industrial Restricted.

Roll Call: Marino, Vennard, Ickes, Clifford and Gennette. Motion carried.

**b. Election of Officers.**

Gennette stated that this is for election of the following officers: Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary. He requested a nomination for Chairman.

Ickes nominated Gennette for Chairman. He accepted.

Motion: Ickes Support: Vennard

Motion to approve Gennette as Chairman for a one-year term beginning January 2019. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Gennette requested a nomination for Vice-Chairman.

Motion: Marion Support: Ickes

Motion to approve Vennard as Vice-Chairman for a one-year term beginning January 2019. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion: Marion Support: Vennard

Motion to approve Clifford as Secretary for a one-year term beginning January 2019. All Ayes. Motion carried.

**7. Citizens Comments**

No comments at this meeting.

**8. Township Planner**

Cassin informed the commission that the Township Board of Trustees authorized the completion of the Park & Recreation Master Plan for this year. The plan expires at the end of this current year and must be submitted every five (5) years to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Townships need a plan that is approved by the DNR and follows their process in order to apply for grants. The Township is developing additions to the park, with restrooms and concessions being constructed. The Master Plan is to make sure the Township is in line for additional grants for next year. This process is very straight forward and the DNR has steps that must be followed. Over the next six (6) months, Cassin will bring parts of this plan to the Planning Commission for review.

**9. Adjournment**

Motion: Vennard Support: Ickes

Motion to adjourn at 7:22 pm. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jeanette M. Ventimiglia  
Recording Secretary

Scott Clifford  
Secretary