Tri-Township Park District Commissioners Meeting Special Meeting May 7, 1999 Troy City Hall

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Meeting was called to order at 7:00 by President Taake.

Present were Commissioners Taake, Woodring, Byrne, Jarman, Simpson, and Kniser. Also present were Superintendent Greenfield and Accountant Roady.

Mayor Caraker, City Administrator Klaustermeier, and Representative Ron Stephens were also present.

Taake noted that we met to discuss the possible acquisition of property. He turned the meeting over to Stephens.

Stephens explained that he would like to see the property that the city owns in front of the new sewer plant become a park. He is seeking a grant from the state to enable the park to purchase the land from the city and develope it into a park. He also hopes to gain enough money to cover the cost of maintaining the park for a short term. He noted that the city must be able to use the roadway through the park in able to reach the sewer plant.

Caraker stated that the land is available, but the cost of the road could be \$200,000.

Stephens thought that he could obtain grants to pay for the park and the road. He also wants to include in the grant enough money to help us develope the thirty acres we recently purchased adjacent to the current park.

After some discussion about the type and placement of the roadway through the park, Stephens summarized his needs by asking both board to consider agreeing to allow him to seek grants to cover the purchase and development of the 11.5 acres, building the roadway, and helping develope the 30 acres. He needs our answers in two weeks.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:53.