

GLADWIN CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
JUNE 23, 2009

The Gladwin City Planning Commission met Thursday, June 4, 2009 at Gladwin City Hall.

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. by Chairman David, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Commissioners Darlington, David, Foor, Hindman, Clayton, Alward and Witkowski.

Absent: Commissioners Jenkins and Stout.

Also present: Thane Grove, Trena Grove, Jan Stewart, Bernadette Weaver, Bob Moffit and Howard Kunding.

Motion by Commissioner Alward, supported by Commissioner Hindman to approve the minutes of June 4, 2009 as presented. Motion carried.

A request from the Grove family and F.O.R.G.E was presented requesting a text change be made to the zoning ordinance which would allow recycling centers in the C-2 district as a special use. Jan Stewart of F.O.R.G.E. noted that their organization was not interested in processing such as Mt. Pleasant or Emmet County, but simply collection. Discussion. Motion by Commissioner Alward, supported by Commissioner Clayton to set a public hearing date for Tuesday, July 28, 2009 at 5:15 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the agenda will allow to consider public comment regarding the allowance of recycling centers, not including processing of materials in the C-2, Service Commercial District as a special use. All ayes. Motion carried.

The acceptability of signs to be placed at staging areas for ORV's within the city limits was discussed. Suggested changes to the ordinance regarding LED signs was deliberated. Commissioners were concerned with size, movement, brightness and color, especially in the downtown area. Form zoning concepts in the downtown area and best options for implementation was presented by planner Howard Kunding. He will draft language regarding the LED signs as well as inclusion of form zoning in the final draft of the ordinance.

Chairman David stressed that these concepts should be presented to the Downtown Development Authority to garner comment and noted that any future projects within that area be reviewed in concert with the D.D.A. Commissioner Alward was excused at 6:00 p.m.

Changes to Planning Commission by-laws were discussed. Commissioners will review at the next meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Foor, supported by Commissioner Witkowski to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Jill Witkowski, Secretary