

**PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**JANUARY 24, 2012**

The Gladwin City Planning Commission met in regular session Tuesday, January 24, 2012 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 David, Clayton, Alward, Stout, Hindman, and Darlington.

Absent: Beyer and Witkowski.

Also present: Jim Dewitt, Mayor Winarski, Bernadette Weaver, Bob Moffit, Darrell Day, Dr. Bob Wenzel, Janet Baker, Janet Foor and Bob Evans.

Motion by Commissioner Stout, supported by Commissioner Darlington to approve the meeting minutes of November 22, 2011 as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Jim Dewitt presented a site plan for a nearly 7,000 square foot addition to the Brook assisted / independent living facility. All reviews excepting drainage matters had been accomplished. Fire lane specifications had been provided to Chief Alward's satisfaction and DDA façade reviews accomplished several months ago. Drain Commissioner Bob Evans spoke to a possible solution for his drainage concerns.

Motion by Commissioner Stout, supported by Commissioner Hindman to accept the site plan as presented subject to drainage plans approved by the County Drain Commissioners office. All ayes. Motion carried. Site plan approved.

The plan for the Horizon, a twenty-bed assisted living facility on Quarter Street was reviewed. All the components of the site plan excepting drainage reviews by the County Drain Commissioner's office were complete. Mr. Evans noted that the drainage plans the developer had provided were acceptable. Commissioner Hindman asked Commissioner Alward if the fire access lanes were adequate and was told they were. Screening on the sides facing residential properties (the north and west) was discussed. Commissioner Alward stated that he felt a solid fence should be erected. Pros and cons of natural screening versus solid fencing were discussed. The majority of the commissioners noted that natural screening was more desirable. Dr. Bob Wenzel added that if trees were planted, they needed to be maintained. Darrell Day asked the possible start date but the developer had not given a definite date. Motion by Commissioner Darlington, supported by Commissioner Alward to approve the site plan as presented and subject to the provisions of Section 312, 1.b. Screening Walls. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Stout, supported by Commissioner Alward to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

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Jill Witkowski, Secretary