

**PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**MAY 28, 2013**

The Gladwin City Planning Commission met in regular session Tuesday, May 28, 2013 at Gladwin City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. by Chairman Darlington followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Commissioners Darlington, David, Wenzel, Beyer, Alward and Stout.

Absent: Commissioner Hindman, Witkowski and Clayton.

Also present: Attorney Jacobson, Mark Kehoe, Bob Ridley, Bernadette Weaver

Motion by Commissioner David, supported by Commissioner Stout to approve the meeting minutes of April 23, 2013 as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Witkowski entered the meeting at 5:18 p.m.

Bob Ridley and Mark Kehoe presented a request to grant an easement to the existing Ridley property south of 320 E. First Street which fronts on State Street. This easement would serve as an alternate means of ingress-egress to the State Street property and also allow utility installation in the west 15 feet of that right-of-way. Discussion. Motion by Commissioner Alward, supported by Commissioner Beyer to accept the proposal to grant the 81 foot easement as discussed subject to the west 15 feet dedicated for utility purposes. All ayes. Motion carried.

Chairman Darlington noted the issues that blight caused within the city which undermines beautification efforts by many groups as well as planning and zoning ordinances. She asked that another article be put in the city newsletter regarding blight and that excerpts from the ordinance be included or reference made to the section / article number in the city ordinances so residents could refer to such on the city's website.

Zoning Administrator Weaver presented plans for Coldwell Banker-Kigar's additional signs on exposed walls, Whole Body Health and Kidd's Service. Motion by Commissioner Alward, supported by Commissioner David to approve the proposals pursuant to Article VI, Section 602, 6a. (4) (vi.). All ayes. Motion carried.

The commissioners were given an update as to sign enforcement letters sent and the response which was received.

Old business regarding enforcement issues pertaining to non-conforming uses in the Service Commercial zone and signs was discussed. Attorney Jacobson gave an update as to what police interviews had shown regarding residents at the Gladwin Motor Inn and the course of action taken for infraction resolution.

The zoning administrator gave an update on the Master Plan. Danae Berry, a Mid Michigan Community College student had met with her last week and will be meeting with her again this week and will be undertaking completion of the document this summer.

Language regarding outside storage in commercial districts provided by Planner Doug Piggott was reviewed. Commissioners will review and determine if that could abate some of the nuisance / blight situations in the Commercial district.

Motion by Commissioner Stout, supported by Commissioner Witkowski to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

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Jill Witkowski, Secretary