

February 28, 2017

Gladwin City Planning Commission

The Planning Commission met in regular session February 28, 2017. The meeting was called to order by Chair Darlington at 5:15 pm and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners present: Darlington, Stout, English, Czape, Clayton, David.
Commissioners absent: Wenzel, Wendell and new commissioner Wilson.

Also present: Mayor Jungman, City Council members, Bodnar and Caffrey. Also Carl Schuler, Scott DeShano, Gary Singh.

Darlington welcomed Steve Czape to his first meeting as a Planning Commissioner.

Motion made by Stout with support from Clayton to approve the minutes of the January 24, 2017 meeting. All ayes.

The first item of business was the request from Gary Singh, owner of the Citgo station at the corner of M-18 and E. First St., to add a small addition to the building to relocate the cooler, and have more space available inside. All setbacks are adequate and there are no issues that do not meet requirements. Motion by David, supported by Stout to approve the request. All ayes.

Travis Povey appeared before the Commission requesting approval to rebuild the front and rear porches on his home. It is a residence in a commercial district. The project does not expand the non-conforming use. Motion from Stout with support by Clayton to approve the request. All ayes.

Scott Deshano presented the site plan for Phase II of the Horizons AFC. Approval is being sought to build a 20 unit building, detached from the existing building, and a separate pole building for storage. Various parts of the site plan were discussed and DeShano complimented Weaver on how well she worked with them on many aspects of the project. Word was received from the Drain Commissioners office that there were no issues of concern. Motion made by Stout, Supported by Czape to approve the request. All ayes.

Darlington reminded the group that the regular scheduled meeting on March 28, 2017 will be a joint meeting with the City Council and the Parks Commission the DDA will also be invited.

The Commissioners each gave a report on the area of the city they each had inspected for needed repairs for sidewalks, streets, any lighting issues, or other capital improvements they felt were needed. The reports were given to Weaver.

The issue of snow removal in the downtown area was of particular interest. Jungman and Caffrey iterated what the City Council is discussing to help remedy the situation beginning next fall/winter.

Mayor Jungman also asked the commissioner for suggestions for reuse of the skate park at the north park that is no longer being used as it was intended.

Weaver noted there is a new initiative from the state, Re-development Ready Communities. The commissioners were given information about the training series which begins this spring. Weaver has signed up for training.

There was some discussion of the City Park. Applications are being reviewed for a new park manager, a camp store is still under advisement. The park did experience flooding Saturday February 25, 2017.

Darlington adjourned the meeting at 6:30 pm

Respectfully submitted;

Joan David

Secretary