

GLADWIN CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
May 28, 2019

The Gladwin City Planning Commission met in regular session May 28, 2019. The meeting was called to order by Chair Darlington at 5:15 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners present: Darlington, Auer, Wendell, David, Stout, Czape, Emeott, English and Clayton.

Also present: Zoning Administrator Weaver, Mayor Jungman, Councilwoman Bodnar and Scott Hawblitzel.

Weaver reviewed the minutes of April 23, 2019. Motion by Commissioner David, supported by Stout to approve the minutes subject to a correction indicating that David is a member of the committee preparing the Public Participation Plan and was present at its meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

The Commission reviewed a request from North Star Title Company to be allowed to place a sign on the front of its building. The sign would be allowed under the ordinance and there are existing signs on the east and rear of the building where there is parking. Motion by Stout, supported by Emeott to approve the request. All ayes. Motion carried.

Weaver also noted that the proposed Public Participation Plan was sent to the City Council and the DDA. Both groups approved the plan with one change suggested. This change was to include the Zoning Board of Appeals to the section on transparency in governance to also require ZBA members, along with other City Council and city commissioners to annually complete a Conflict of Interest disclosure. The PPP will not have the form included just the reference to it. There is a meeting coming up of the committee to finalize a Conflict of Interest form to be used by the city.

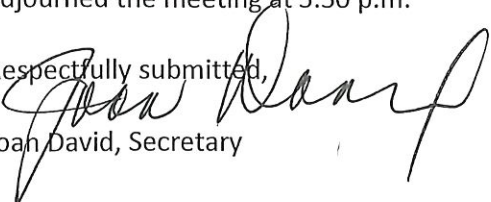
Questions were asked about multiple signs, penalties for non-compliance and there was general discussion of other matters as well as the role of the blight enforcement officer. One of the commissioners suggested a higher fee be charged for a sign permit requested after a sign has been installed. The commissioners responded favorably. Weaver will research and get back to the commission.

Bodnar suggested that the large parcel fronting M-61 in front of the Save-A-lot plaza be considered for the senior apartments that may be proposed by the Community Action Agency. She noted that a traffic light at the location would be very useful.

Commissioners also discussed the corner of Cedar and Silverleaf, where the parking spaces on the west side by Mack's Menu crowd the corner. It was then noted that the Council has approved a plan that includes those spaces being eliminated when the area is next re-paved.

There was a motion by Auer with support by Stout to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. The meeting adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Joan David, Secretary