

*City of Arkadelphia
Meeting of the Planning Commission
Town Hall Boardroom, 700 Clay Street
Arkadelphia, Arkansas
Tuesday, May 6, 2008 at 5:30 P.M.*

MINUTES

<u>Members Present</u>	<u>Visitors Present</u>
Lawrence Phillips	Reverend Larry Newsom
Mark Overturf	Aiga (A.J.) Porter
Tom Tobin, Chair	Anita Wiley, Staff/Recorder
Martha Bryant	
Carrol Forte	
George Franks	
Roland Gosey	

Tom Tobin called the Planning Commission to order at 5:32 p.m.

The March 11, 2008 minutes were considered. George Franks made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Lawrence Phillips seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Commission considered Cornerstone Baptist Church's request to operate a childcare center, as other uses deemed appropriate.

Reverend Larry Newsom addressed the Commission. He mentioned that they previously had the Arkadelphia Christian School at the site and would be happy to have the daycare if the Commission approved it.

Mrs. Aiga (A.J.) Porter addressed the Commission next. She informed them that she had a long waiting list for her daycare but didn't have the facilities for them. She tried to locate at Country Club Road but it didn't work out. Tom Tobin asked what happened. Mrs. Porter said they had fixed some things but that the leaking roof wasn't repaired for them. The Health Dept. and DHS had approved the site but after a few months, it still wasn't ready for them to move in, so she had to look for another place.

George Franks asked how many children she would have. Mrs. Porter said there would be 35 children. Lawrence Phillips asked what the maximum number of children would be. She said that they would be using 5 rooms. Each room would have 7 children. She wanted to stay at 35 for now. Tom Tobin asked how many children the Christian school had. Rev. Newsom said they had 65.

With no further discussion, George Franks made a motion to approve the daycare use provided that they met all of the city codes. Carrol Forte seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Routine business

- Anita Wiley asked if everyone had submitted financial interest statements for 2007. She also informed Commissioners about OBU's dormitory project.
- Lawrence Phillips asked about the status of the parking lot at Wholesale Beauty Supply. There's a big hole with tape around it. He was told that some cars had gotten stuck in it.
- Carrol Forte inquired about 1629 Crawford Street. The house has been torn down since his previous inquiry but the debris hasn't been cleaned up. There are also snakes.
- Roland Gosey asked about the status of 7th and Caddo, former Deaton's Cleaners.
- The Kidd property on North 10th Street. The sale hasn't been finalized.

With no further discussion, Carrol Forte made a motion to adjourn. Martha Bryant seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Tom Tobin, Chair

Anita Wiley, Staff/Recorder