

Oxford Planning Commission  
Minutes for Meeting on July 10, 2012

Attendance: Jackie Ellis, Erik Oliver, Ron Manson, and Jim Patrick  
Guests: Hoyt Oliver, Linda Allen, Margaret Dugan and Raghu Patil (Oxford College),  
and Scott Sirokin (Newton County Planning)

Chairman Erik Oliver opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Old Business:

1. Minutes for the April 10, 2012 meeting of the Oxford Planning Commission were reviewed and unanimously approved as submitted.
2. There was no meeting of the Planning Commission in June due to a lack of a quorum and no business to be discussed.

New Business:

1. A Pre-Development Approval application was received from Kenneth and Linda Allen, dated July 9, 2012. They were seeking approval to add a 15x20 foot screen porch to their home at 205 Williams Street in Oxford. The application was complete and since the addition met all setback requirements, the Planning Commission approved it unanimously.
2. A Pre-Development Approval Application was received from Oxford College, dated July 3, 2012. The college was seeking approval for a new driveway from Haygood Street (by a greenhouse) to a rear parking lot for 190 Few Circle and a loading dock for 180 Few Circle. The driveway is needed to provide access to parking for Humanities and Pierce Halls. Work on this driveway was begun without approval of the city and a stop work order had been issued. Issues involve the location of underground utilities in the area and impact of storm water runoff on city infrastructure. The City Manager is investigating these issues. The Planning Commission reviewed the request from the standpoint of whether the proposed driveway met requirements of the zoning code and traffic safety. There were no conflicts. The Planning Commission voted to extend the stop work order until the underground utility and storm water issues are resolved to the satisfaction of the City Manager. The college will need to work with the City Manager on these issues.
3. The Planning Commission then had an informal discussion of planning issues with Scott Sirokin of the Newton County Planning department. Areas of possible cooperation were discussed.

Chairman Oliver adjourned the meeting at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Jim Patrick, Secretary



