

**MINUTES OF THE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO THE PLANNING COMMITTEE
WORK SESSION WITH THE PLANNING STAFF
January 5, 2009**

A special called work session with the Executive Members of the Planning Committee and the Planning Staff was held January 5, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. in the Planning Department Conference room. Executive Committee members present were Chairwoman Judy Brown, Vice-Chairman Michael Gratz, and Secretary Cindy Sanders. Planning Staff members present were Special Assistant to the Mayor B.J. Teal, Director Pat Falkner, Ms. Marilyn Vail, and Mrs. Nikki Burton. Also present for the work session was Mr. Bob R. Starnes, Developer of The Pines at Barnes Crossing, and Mr. Tommy Dabbs, Engineer for the project.

The following topics were discussed:

- Project value
- Inspections by the City of Tupelo
- Possible purchase of 1,000 acres in Tupelo
- No curb or gutters in portions of the site plan
- Re-numbering of the buildings on the site plan
- Clubhouse
- Radius of turnaround

After a group discussion, the Executive Committee left the room to review what had been said. When they came back into the room, Mr. Gratz reported that they had decided the issues were not for the Planning Committee to examine. The Committee also felt that the Planning Staff would need to continue working with Mr. Starnes to work out a compromise on the issues at hand. They suggested having clear documentation such as a letter from City Engineer John Crawley describing his review of the plan. The members also suggested completing the negotiations regarding the turn-around radius in the drive of the complex with Fire Marshal Jason Cross.

Mr. Starnes agreed to connect all sidewalks within the complex.

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned.