



**PLANNING BOARD  
MINUTES  
JUNE 9, 2014**

*Members Present*

Nick Colson  
Larry Pannell  
Ron Cox  
Rupert Little  
Robert Smith

*Members Absent*

Todd Setzer  
Tyler Sigmon  
Jeff Barkley

*Staff Present*

Laurie LoCicero, WPCOG Planner  
Shelley Stevens, City Planner

*Others Present*

Steve Winrow  
Crystal Clark

Chairman Robert Smith called the Planning Board meeting to order at 7:03 pm and welcomed those in attendance. Chairman Smith asked the Board to review the minutes from the April 14, 2014 meeting. Rupert Little noted an error in the minutes, Mr. Rick Fulbright was referred to as Max Fulbright, his father. Laurie LoCicero apologized for the error. Nick Colson moved to approve the corrected minutes, Mr. Little seconded the motion. The corrected minutes were unanimously approved.

***Presentation to Ron Cox***

Chairman Smith presented Ron Cox with a plaque for his 18 years of service on the Claremont Planning Board. He was stepping down from serving on the Planning Board. Mr. Cox accepted the plaque. Ms. LoCicero also thanked Mr. Cox for being such a diligent and conscientious Planning Board member.

***Introduction of Shelley Stevens***

Laurie LoCicero noted that Shelley Stevens was officially the new City Planner and presented her to the Board. Board members welcomed Ms. Stevens and were looking forward to working with her.

***Discussion of upcoming Planning Board work***

Ms. LoCicero relayed to the Board that over the next 6-12 months they should begin an update to the Land Development Plan. Over the last couple of years, there has been an uptick in development, but prior to that, development had stagnated since staff had started in summer of 2005. A Land development plan should be updated every 5-10 years. She also said they would be some other changes coming in from the City Manager in the Zoning Ordinance. She asked if there were issues the Board wanted to investigate.

Mr. Colson would like more speeding enforcement on Catawba Street and Main Street. He also noted that the Whitmire house, located at 3177 Catawba Street has been transformed over the last couple of years and would like to see it be designated “yard of the month” for all the improvements.

***Oath of Office***

Chairman Smith administered the oath of office for Crystal Clark. She will take over the remainder of Mr. Cox’s term. She lives on Calvin Street and her husband is a Claremont Police officer.

***Other Business***

Chairman Smith presented Ms. LoCicero with flowers and thanked her for her service to the Planning Board and the City of Claremont since July 2005. Ms. LoCicero thanked Chairman Smith and the Board members for their thoughtfulness. She enjoyed working with this Planning Board; they raised good points, asked good questions and helped her become a better planner. She also noted that sometimes they have to make difficult decisions in front of family members, neighbors and friends and that is not an easy task.

The next meeting will be July 14, 2014.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

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Robert Smith, Chairman

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Shelley Stevens, Planner