

The Claremont City Council held a meeting on Wednesday, August 11, 2010, in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

The meeting was called to order by Assistant Mayor Austin at 6:30 p.m.

Members of the Council present were:

Ward II Councilor Keith Raymond  
Ward I Councilor Victor Bergeron  
Ward III Councilor Nicholas Koloski  
Assistant Mayor Andrew Austin  
At-Large Councilor Adam Burke  
At-Large Councilor Christopher Lewis  
At-Large Councilor Kyle Messier

Absent:

Mayor Deborah Cutts  
At-Large Councilor Jeffrey Goff

Also present were:

Mary Walter, Acting City Manager  
Jane Taylor, City Solicitor

## **MAYOR'S NOTES**

Stevens High School Student Council Update

None

## **REPORT OF THE SECRETARY**

**A motion was made by Mr. Lewis and seconded by Mr. Burke to accept the minutes of the June 11 and July 14, 2010, City Council meetings.**

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried 7-0.**

## **APPOINTMENT TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

Francis J. Tolles Home Trustees

**Mr. Bergeron nominated Debra Yurek to seat #3 of the Francis J. Tolles Home Trustees.  
Mr. Burke seconded.**

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried 7-0.**

Tax Increment Finance District Advisory Board – Downtown

**Mr. Burke nominated Eugene Lattuga, Jr., to seat #1 of the Tax Increment Finance District Advisory Board – Downtown. Mr. Raymond seconded.**

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried 7-0.**

**OLD BUSINESS**

Motion to Approve License Agreement for Wheelabrator Access Road Cul de Sac

Ms. Taylor said this is for permission to store ash containers on city-owned property. As part of the agreement with Wheelabrator, ownership of the cul-de-sac was split between the City and Wheelabrator. While building a new ash storage facility, they want to use the City's half to store containers.

Mr. Raymond asked where they stored the containers before. Ms. Taylor said they have been stored in the cul-de-sac and the City and Wheelabrator have agreed to formalize the arrangement. Currently, there is a cart road that accesses city-owned property and the City wants continued uninterrupted access to that road and that is what we are negotiating. Wheelabrator will have temporary permission to store its containers on the City's half of the cul-de-sac, but the City will also be able to access the road.

Mr. Lewis asked about the risk of contamination. Ms. Taylor said we are negotiating a liability provision. Mr. Lewis asked about the City's liability until the agreement is approved. Ms. Taylor said we are close. The City Manager will be back next week and will be able to finalize the agreement. There has been no known leak from these ash containers.

Mr. Koloski said, as a citizen at the Planning Board meeting, that he voiced his concern about storing the containers outside. They are not allowed to store the containers outside. He said he had heard about a recent spill in the road. Ms. Taylor said she had no information about a spill. If there had been one, it would have been reported to DES (Department of Environmental Services). Storage requirements are controlled by the state.

There was discussion about liability. Ms. Taylor said without a license, there is little protection for the City, but with a license, there is protection.

**A motion was made by Mr. Raymond and seconded by Mr. Burke to authorize the City Manager or his designees to undertake all such actions as may be required to negotiate and enter into a license agreement with Wheelabrator Claremont Inc. and Wheelabrator Claremont Company, L.P. for use by Wheelabrator of the City's portion of the Access Road cul-de-sac off Grissom Lane for temporary storage of ash storage containers during**

**construction of a new ash container storage building on Wheelabrator's property, but in no event later than December 31, 2011.**

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried 7-0.**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### Ordinance 516 Dogs – Second Reading – Public Hearing

The purpose of this proposal is to update the Claremont Code provisions establishing and regulating dogs, including clarification of definitions and enforcement authority and changes in state law since the last general update to Chapter 4, Article II in 1985. The proposed ordinance was at the recommendation of the Parks & Recreation Commission and the Police Department.

Enactment of this Ordinance will update and clarify the provisions of the Claremont Code relating to dogs.

Mr. Austin read the explanation of proposed action into the record.

Scott Hausler, Parks and Recreation Director, said the brochure had been updated and the fines had been added. Dog feces in the parks are a problem and some owners do not pick up their pet's waste. This ordinance is to encourage picking it up. In the winter, owners walk their pets in Moody Park, but don't clean up and so a major clean up is required when the snow melts. He hopes to keep the parks healthier.

Mr. Austin said it is the responsibility of the owner to pick up after its dogs. He thinks this is a good ordinance.

Mr. Hausler said the flyer will be put on the City's website and the Park Patrol will have these as well.

Mr. Bergeron asked if this was for all City-owned property including cemeteries. Police Chief Alex Scott said this applies to City parks and City property including sidewalks. Ms. Taylor said the City owns several cemeteries, but not all. Chief Scott said if a person is not prepared to pick up the waste and/or they don't pick it up, they can be fined.

Mr. Austin asked about dogs running at large. Chief Scott said that can be enforced through a different process.

Ms. Messier said several people commented to her that this is a great idea and a good public relations piece.

Francis Gauthier, Ward 2, said he owns property in the Franklin and Trinity Streets area. When he sees owners not picking up after their pets, he video tapes himself giving information to the offender.

Steve Raymond, Ward 1, asked if the money the City collects for registering dogs will be used to buy bags. He doesn't think that taxpayers who don't have dogs should have to pay for the bags. To reinforce the message, signs should be put up. If this is not enforced, it would be a waste of time.

Norman Lessard, Ward 2, said last week during a walk through downtown he took pictures of piles along the route. He asked how the ordinance will be enforced as he has been told in reference to skateboarders on the sidewalk that the police have to see it happen. We will need an army to enforce this. He doesn't believe it can be enforced.

Mr. Austin said he envisions when people start getting fined, the word will get around.

Chief Scott said that in the ordinance, a person has to have the means to pick up after the dog when they are with their dogs. Police can educate and then issue fines. Mr. Austin asked for a clarification of the means to pick up. Chief Scott said that it is described as mechanical or other device.

Mr. Burke asked about funding for the bags. Ms. Walter said that 30% of dog licensing fees go to the state and the rest goes to the City's General Fund. Owners are supposed to carry their own bags; nothing says the City has to supply the bags. Signs in the parks will come from the Parks and Recreation budget and signs on City sidewalks will come from Public Works' budget. There is not a lot left over after paying the state fees, paying for the tags and animal control, so she doesn't think we will break even.

Steve Raymond, Ward 1, asked if a citizen turns someone in to the police, will something be done.

Norman Lessard, Ward 2, said there are three officers on duty during the day. Chances are they won't catch the violator. He believes a foot patrol downtown 10-12 hours a day would probably work.

Francis Gauthier, Ward 2, suggested video taping the action on the public streets. He suggested there should be citizen watches; this is where the public should step in.

Norm Lessard, Ward 2, questioned whether you can video tape a person without them being told. Chief Scott said nothing prohibits video taping on public property.

Steve Raymond, Ward 1, asked if citizens step in, will police step up.

**A motion was made by Mr. Raymond and seconded by Ms. Messier to adopt Ordinance 516 Dogs.**

Mr. Raymond read the Explanation of Proposed Action into the record.

Mr. Burke asked if the parking enforcement officer can issue tickets. Chief Scott said he has the authority to give them authority.

Mr. Bergeron said this is not a perfect ordinance; you cannot have a patrolman on the street 24 hours a day and that would increase our taxes. In Seattle, they have a dog ordinance and if it's not followed, citizens will step up and insist. He believes this will work here if we try.

Mr. Raymond said we have to be pro-active. If you see someone's dog making a mess, be friendly and offer to give them a bag.

Mr. Koloski agreed this is not perfect, but we have to start somewhere. It is tougher to enforce something that does not exist.

Mr. Lewis said the first step to enforcement is education of citizens and visitors. He thinks Mr. Gauthier is correct about being active in the community and Mr. Raymond is right about offering a bag and asking if they heard about the new ordinance. This is a great first, but without an active community, it won't work.

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried 7-0.**

## **CITIZEN'S FORUM**

Frank Sprague, Ward 2, 31 Lewis Place, talked about a noxious health hazard on private property in reference to a situation with an outdoor hydronic wood-fired boiler in their neighborhood. He read from the Code about nuisances. He said their health, safety and welfare need to be protected. He showed pictures of the emissions from the wood boiler. He said Ms. Taylor has been helpful, but there has been a limited response from the City for a cease and desist order. When the unit fires up, the entire neighborhood is enveloped in smoke. It smells of heavy creosote. His house is 350 feet away from the furnace. His mother's house is 120 feet away from the furnace. He said the furnace has been installed illegally and they have received no response from the state in reference to a remedy for that. He said they are aware of other furnaces that have been problems and was wondering how those situations have been resolved.

Francis Gauthier, Ward 2, 18 Lewis Place, read from a handout that he gave to the Council in reference to the wood-fired boiler on Lewis Place. This nuisance has been going on for 60 days. Mr. Lewis asked when it was installed. Mr. Gauthier said about mid-October/November 2008. There has been no clear communication from the City and DES (Department of Environmental Services) to the complainants. He said the heat box smolders all day long which produces noxious smoke.

Alice Sprague, 22 Lewis Place, said she is downwind of the boiler and believes it has been causing her health problems (sneezing, watery eyes). She said there is a heavy pall of smoke and sometimes it smells like burning waste. It is an irritant and is unpleasant.

Marie Lozito, Ward 1, said she is running for State Representative representing Claremont, Unity and Lempster. She said she is upset with Concord's unfunded mandates and wasting money. She hopes to be elected so she can go to Concord to try to fix the problem.

Steve Raymond, Ward 1, said that Chestnut Street looks really good. When it is time for the next budget approval, he suggested showing the paving process on Claremont Community Television (CCTV), channel 8 so that everyone would understand what is involved and the costs.

Bernie Folta, Ward 3, passed out a handout and said he has a special interest in the Census and data from the Census. There was a head count this year and those numbers should be available next year. According to state law, NHOEP (NH Office of Energy and Planning) is required to do a population estimate. The estimate for 2010 shows Claremont is projected to have a population loss and he will be interested to compare it to the Census results. But, not all projections come true; in 1991 Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission (UVLSRPC) projected Claremont was to increase in population in 2000, however there was a decrease.

Mr. Koloski asked if Mr. Gauthier had sent to the Planning office the information that was presented tonight. Mr. Gauthier said yes, along with a whole list of others.

Mr. Bergeron asked, in reference to the outdoor wood boiler, if the Fire Chief has been involved. Mr. Bergeron said it was against the law to burn trash. Mr. Lewis asked to have the City Manager to look into this further. Ms. Walter agreed. Mr. Lewis asked for an update in September. Ms. Walter said we will update the Council with where we are with it. Mr. Bergeron asked about the Fire Chief's authority in reference to outdoor wood boilers. Mr. Lewis asked about the permit to install. Ms. Taylor said this is being reviewed and a meeting will be scheduled with the City Manager when he returns from vacation.

Chief Scott said that more than two years ago there was a wood boiler issue on Ledgewood, however, the owner turns it off in summer. It is only problematic at the beginning or end of the winter. He did research and was amazed at how little regulation there is. The most success that has come relative to these issues is at the private level in terms of individual(s) going to Superior Court as civil plaintiffs for a civil nuisance.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### Resolution 2010-15 Apply for, Accept and Expend CDBG Grant for Feasibility Study of Farwell Block – Public Hearing

Ms. Taylor said Councilors had a replacement resolution on their table as the one in their packets was not quite correct. The one to be considered has the same amount of money and the same parties are involved.

Ms. Messier stepped down as she works in the Farwell building.

Kurt Beek, Planning and Development, said his department would like to submit an application for a feasibility grant for the potential use of the second floor [as you look at the front] of the Farwell Block building as a micro-business incubator facility. The application would be made by the City of Claremont on behalf of the CDA (Claremont Development Authority). The application would be for CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) funding. CDBG funding originates with HUD (Housing Urban Development) and is passed through to the CDFA (Community Development Finance Authority) and they disburse the funds. For the feasibility grants, there is approximately \$50,000 available state-wide twice each year. The maximum amount for an individual grant is \$12,000. They are awarded on a first come first served basis and on merit. Part of the CDBG rules requires that if a CDBG project is feasible, that 51% of beneficiaries will be of low-to-moderate income. Eligible activities include study, analysis and planning of any eligible activity including architectural and engineering redesign which might lead to a community or economic development grant application. A microbusiness incubator includes one room office space, desk, chair, computer, wireless network, surrounding a shared reception area, kitchenette and bathrooms. He showed some PowerPoint slides: Farwell Block façade work was done not too long ago; Phase I – Study; back of building; Phase II – Implementation. Second floor is still vacant. On the back of the building, the feasibility study would look at demolishing the older wood clad structure, excavating the brick wall area, providing handicap parking and adding an elevator tower which would provide ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) accessibility to both the Farwell Block and the former Pleasant Street Restaurant. The plan calls for renovating the second floor of the Farwell Block to construct a microbusiness incubator workspace that would be open to all citizens of Sullivan County, the majority of beneficiaries being of low-to-moderate income. Funds would be used to hire an architect, investigate lead paint and asbestos issues, and look at ADA accessibility. If after the study, it looks favorable, the Planning and Development office would look at funding options for implementation. Reaffirmation of the Housing and Community Development Plan and the Residential Anti-Displacement Plan is needed every three years. These were done in June 2008 for the Claremont Soup Kitchen CDBG, so reaffirmation is not needed at this time.

Mr. Raymond wanted to make it clear that this development would be for the third floor and elevator shaft as seen from the back of the building.

Mr. Burke asked if this would be office space. Mr. Beek said yes. It is a microbusiness incubator for people who want to start a business. Low-to-moderate income depends on family size and could run \$20,000-\$55,000.

Mr. Koloski asked to verify that this was not for low income housing. Mr. Beek said that it would be office space, not housing.

Mr. Austin asked about the roof recently being done. Mr. Beek said yes, a couple of months ago.

**A motion was made by Mr. Raymond and seconded by Mr. Burke to adopt Resolution 2010-15 Apply for, Accept and Expend CDBG Grant for Feasibility Study of Farwell Block.**

Mr. Raymond read the resolution into the record.

Mr. Austin requested comments from the Council and the public and then opened the public hearing.

Bernie Folta, Ward 3, said in the past year in Claremont that an informal group has been meeting to encourage local jobs development. The head of it is Beverly Widger, Claremont Savings Bank. He has been an attendee. The emphasis has been what can be done to bring more jobs to Claremont. That is the point of a microbusiness incubator, where someone who has a start up idea, but is not ready to do it on their own, can do it in a shared environment. He thinks we need more jobs in Claremont. He favors an incubator in Claremont. He has concerns about strings in a CDBG grant. He hears concern about this turning into Section 8 housing.

Nancy Merrill, Planning and Development Director, said this project was put in the Sullivan County Economic Development Strategy in 2004 which would not allow housing as part of this project.

Mr. Koloski said he would have loved to have this when he started business at 16 years old. He can see this is valuable.

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried 6-0.**

Ms. Messier returned to the Council table.

Resolution 2010-16 Authorization to Apply for, Accept and Expend HUD Challenge Grant – Public Hearing

Mike McCrory, Interim City Planner on a contract basis from the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission (UVLSRPC), talked about the Claremont 2010 Project and the opportunity to apply for the HUD and US DOT (Department of Transportation) TIGER II Community Challenge Planning Grant Application Opportunity. He said he went up in a plane and took some aerial photos of different land uses in the City: Approach to the airport, downtown, dense residential areas, industrial on river, Bluff School moderate residential. To take advantage of the funding opportunity, we are looking for ways to integrate housing, land use, urban and workforce development, transportation and infrastructure. We want to develop planning techniques that will increase sustainability, access opportunity and public health, and environmental impact. Eligible activities include promotion of livable and sustainable development and mixed use development. He presented a PowerPoint outlining the planning issues involved.

- Claremont's Opportunity
  - 2008 Master Plan Update Land Use Chapter – Downtown Zoning
    - Form a single mixed use zoning district in the urban core
    - Allow mixed uses in one building by right
    - Promote tourism and hospitality uses

- Promote infill development
- Open Space and Subdivision Ordinance Advisory Committee
  - Promote balanced development – municipal water and sewer service areas
  - Promote economic development – targeted improvements to the Zoning Ordinance
  - Increase the attractiveness of the urban core to visitors
- Land Use and Major Street Plan from 1964
- Current Zoning District and Major Street Plan
  - Eight distinct zoning districts
- Claremont's Proposal
  - Comprehensive Zoning Analysis for City Center
    - Identify effective zoning tools to enact sustainability practices
      - Encourage infill development
      - Maximize existing infrastructure use
      - Increase travel mode choices
      - Maintain historic cityscape
      - Encourage economic development
      - Increase quality of housing stock
    - Encourage private investment in downtown – away from undeveloped natural, scenic and recreational areas
  - Project Scope
    - Community Outreach
      - Solicit input from community leaders and stakeholders
      - Assemble a Steering Committee
      - Develop a public outreach and education campaign
      - Public workshops facilitated by UNH Cooperative Extension expert facilitators
      - Promote a service learning program for students to participate in the planning process
    - Downtown Analysis
    - Desired Outcomes and Measures of Success
      - Increased public involvement and awareness
      - Increased tax base
      - Improved housing quality
      - Private investment
      - Revitalization of the downtown
  - Project Budget
    - Total Budget: \$92,720.00
    - Match (service match): \$33,365.00
    - Ratio (Match/Budget): 36%
      - Minimum match is 20%
  - Proposed Project Partners
    - City of Claremont Staff
    - Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission

- Community Groups
- Claremont School District
- Claremont's Proposal – Measures of Success
  - Desired Outcomes and Measures of Success (partial list)
    - Increased public involvement and awareness
    - Increased tax base
    - Improved housing quality
    - Private investment
    - Revitalization of the downtown

Mr. Burke asked if the reference to housing quality was to increase the number of housing or improve the quality. Mr. McCrory said the quality of housing needs improving.

Mr. Lewis asked about the difference between the 20% and the 36% match. Mr. McCrory said he was told the qualifying match is 20%, but the successful match is more than that.

Ms. Messier asked about the City's match. Mr. McCrory said it would be staff time, use of facilities and equipment.

Mr. Austin said that this does not affect the tax rate.

Mr. Burke asked about private involvement. Mr. McCrory said it would be done through direct contact, invitations to participate and incorporating civic leaders.

Mr. Koloski said it is better than what we have now and he doesn't see the harm in the study.

**A motion was made by Mr. Koloski and seconded by Mr. Raymond to adopt Resolution 2010-16 Authorization to Apply for, Accept and Expend HUD Challenge Grant.**

Mr. Koloski read the resolution into the record.

Mr. Austin said this is open to public comments and he opened the public hearing.

Bernie Folta, Ward 3, said he has been a regular bird dog of Open Space Ordinance Committee. The committee has identified that, generally speaking, Claremont's Zoning Code needs updating. He suggested that some of this grant could start work to look at the Zoning Code. He is in favor of this resolution. He has reservations because there was no proposal at the Open Space meeting.

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried 7-0.**

Resolution 2010-17 Stop Sign at Intersection of Crescent and Main Streets – Public Hearing

Police Chief Alex Scott said this oversight was brought to the Traffic Advisory Committee's attention. There has been a Stop sign there, but the Code was not updated. This is housekeeping.

Mr. Lewis asked about the street in the area that was discontinued. Ms. Taylor said United Way is in the area, but it has not been brought forward to formally discontinue it. It does not affect this piece.

**A motion was made by Mr. Burke and seconded by Mr. Raymond to adopt Resolution 2010-17 Stop Sign at Intersection of Crescent and Main Streets**

Mr. Austin opened the public hearing. No one spoke. He closed it.

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried 7-0.**

Ordinance 517 Winner Parking Lot, Map 120-106, on Pleasant Street - First Reading

Chief Scott said this is the small parking lot between Out of the Ordinary Restaurant and the small jewelry shop that used to be John DeCook's on Pleasant Street. It was brought to the Traffic Advisory Committee's attention that there was confusion about parking in that lot. This would also be additional overnight parking.

Ms. Taylor said in 2001 Council minutes indicate this lot should be public parking, but it was not put in the Code.

Mr. Lewis asked, with the Parking Garage, if the City is in need of overnight parking. Chief Scott said the Parking Garage allows for 10-hour parking.

Mr. Bergeron asked about plowing in the winter. Public Works Director Bruce Temple said he would handle this like the other two lots that permit overnight parking in winter; they would be at the bottom of the list; plow what they can; if cars are in the way, it doesn't get plowed. Plowing in the Franklin Street and the "bullpen" has gone okay; there have not been a lot of complaints.

**A motion was made by Mr. Raymond and seconded by Mr. Lewis to adopt Ordinance 517 Winner Parking Lot, Map 120-106, on Pleasant Street on first reading.**

Mr. Raymond read the ordinance into the record.

Mr. Burke asked about signage to support this. Chief Scott said this has not yet been addressed.

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried 7-0.**

Resolution 2010-18 Railroad Crossing Improvements, Mulberry Street and Plains Road –  
Public Hearing

Mr. Temple said that NH DOT (Department of Transportation) railroad division is interested in making improvements at Mulberry Street (the piece of railroad tracks that crosses into the salt shed and LaValley's) and by the bicycle shop on Plains Road. Preliminary plans have been done on Mulberry and the preliminary estimate has been done for Plains Road. Preliminary improvements are estimated at \$300,000 for the two tracks. The federal government will pay 80% and Claremont will pay 20%. It is funneled through the NH DOT Rail and is municipally managed. Some of the 20% can be a soft match to include construction time, signage, sand and gravel. We will propose taking up to \$60,000 out of the Muni Transportation Fund. There is over \$112,000 in the fund. It is a Capital Reserve fund. Mulberry Street is projected at \$125,000 and Plains Road \$175,000. We are looking at heavier rail, drainage improvements and signage improvements. Claremont Concord Railroad has received the NHDOT salt bid and is projecting their largest salt delivery in the next 18 months.

Mr. Lewis asked when this will be done. Mr. Temple said the drawings for Mulberry may be out this fall and done in the spring. Design work for Plains Road may be done over the winter months.

Mr. Burke confirmed that there would be no impact on the tax rate.

**A motion was made by Mr. Burke and seconded by Mr. Koloski to adopt Resolution 2010-18 Railroad Crossing Improvements, Mulberry Street and Plains Road.**

Mr. Burke read the resolution into the record.

Mr. Austin opened the public hearing. No one spoke. He closed it.

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried 7-0.**

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

None

Mr. Burke asked Ms. Taylor about the new cemetery signs. Ms. Taylor said she would be able to give a response at the next meeting.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND DIRECTIVES**

Mr. Raymond said he had received complaints about Elm Street extension dust. Mr. Temple talked about the in-place recycling, calcium chloride application, placing 3,300 tons of stone; concerned citizens complaining; applying a second coat of chloride; second lift; and another chloride application for dust control. Public Works will monitor that road. Each year with

approximately 20-25 miles of gravel roads, they put down 15,000 to 20,000 gallons of chloride for dust control at an estimated cost of \$1 per gallon.

Mr. Bergeron asked if the state had made a decision about the budget. Ms. Walter said last year we found out in February. The state's revenue projections are off and the state budget has to be balanced. Mr. Bergeron asked about the increase in retirement cost. Ms. Walter said the spiking was delayed one year. This year the state will pay 30% and next year 25% toward retirement whereas they used to pay 35%.

Mr. Lewis asked about a rails/trails update. Ms. Taylor said she expects to have the information in September. She has been doing a lot of research and wants to give a comprehensive result.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### Master Plan Committee

None

### Claremont 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee

None

## **CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL**

None

## **NON-PUBLIC – CLERICAL UNION CONTRACT**

**A motion was made by Mr. Lewis and seconded by Mr. Raymond that the Council go into non-public session to discuss the Clerical Union Contract under RSA 91-A:3 IIa and to request that Finance Director Mary Walter, City Attorney Jane Taylor and Council Clerk Dorée Russell be invited to attend the non-public session.**

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried 7-0.**

**A motion was made by Mr. Bergeron and seconded by Mr. Burke to seal the minutes until the Council has approved the last union contract.**

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried 7-0.**

**A motion was made by Mr. Lewis and seconded by Mr. Raymond to go out of the non-public session.**

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried 7-0.**

**A motion was made by Mr. Bergeron and seconded by Mr. Raymond that the Claremont City Council approve a Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Claremont and AFSCME Council 93, Local 1348 (Clerical Union), which calls for the following increases in salary and benefits:**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Estimated Increase</b>
<b>2010</b>	<b>\$3,715.00</b>
<b>2011</b>	<b>\$14,966.00</b>
<b>2012</b>	<b>\$10,658.00</b>

**Said sums represent the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the current Collective Bargaining Agreement at current staffing levels. The increase for 2010 shall be covered in the 2010 approved budget with no additional impact on the tax rate.**

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried 7-0.**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**At 9:37 p.m., a motion was made by Mr. Lewis and seconded by Mr. Burke to adjourn.**

**Roll Call Vote: Motion carried 7-0.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Dorée M. Russell  
Clerk to the Council