

CITY OF CHIPPEWA FALLS, WISCONSIN

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

In accordance with the provisions of the Wisconsin State Statutes, Sec. 19.84, notice is hereby given that a public meeting of:

**Committee #2**  
**Labor Negotiations, Personnel, Policy & Administration**

**Will be held on Tuesday, April 1, 2014 at 5:45 PM in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 30 West Central Street, Chippewa Falls, WI.**

Items of business to be discussed or acted upon at this meeting are shown on the attached agenda below:

1. Discuss request from Chief Larson to hire an entry level firefighter due to an upcoming retirement. Possible recommendations to the Council.
2. Adjournment

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A MAJORITY OF THE CITY COUNCIL MAY BE PRESENT AT THIS MEETING TO GATHER INFORMATION ABOUT A SUBJECT OVER WHICH THEY HAVE DECISION MAKING RESPONSIBILITY.

NOTE: REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR PARTICIPATION BY INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES WILL BE MADE UPON REQUEST. FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR TO REQUEST THIS SERVICE, CONTACT THE CITY CLERK AT 726-2719.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ATTACHMENTS TO THIS AGENDA MAY NOT BE FINAL AND ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. THIS AGENDA MAY BE AMENDED AS IT IS REVIEWED.

**CERTIFICATION OF OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER**

I hereby certify that a copy of this notice has been posted on the City Hall bulletin board and a copy has been given to the Chippewa Herald on March 28, 2014 at 10:20 am by BNG.



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**CHIPPEWA FALLS MAYOR GREG HOFFMAN  
30 WEST CENTRAL STREET  
CHIPPEWA FALLS, WI 54729**

**March 13, 2014**

Dear Mayor Hoffman,

Fire Department Motor Pump Operator/EMT Bruce Krejci announced his retirement yesterday, effective April 21, 2014. Bruce has served on the department for over 27 years.

As Fire Chief, I am now asking for your **permission to hire a replacement entry level Firefighter/Paramedic within the Chippewa Falls Fire & Emergency Services Department.** This is a budgeted position within the 2014 City of Chippewa Falls budget.

To fill open positions, the City of Chippewa Falls uses the Northern Wisconsin Regional Firefighter CPAT (Candidate Physical Ability Test) process that we share with twelve other Northern Wisconsin Fire Departments. It is administered yearly by the Chippewa Valley Technical College in Eau Claire. The new 2014 CPAT application & review process has already begun with scheduled testing to occur in early April. The new 2014 Chippewa Falls eligibility list of Firefighter/Paramedic candidates will then become available for us to hire from around mid-April.

Demand is very high for qualified Firefighter/Paramedic candidates. Our CPAT list of candidates is also shared with 12 other Northern Wisconsin Fire Departments, all of which are experiencing unprecedented baby boomer age retirements. In addition, the movement of established personnel to seek, leave and accept employment with other larger sized Fire Departments has never been higher.

With your permission to proceed, as well as Committee #2, and the full City Council, we would then like to move forward with the hiring process with the Chippewa Falls Police & Fire Commission. By approving this permission to hire now, the department along with the Commissioners, will then be ready to offer employment and fill these two openings as soon as possible after the new eligibility list of candidates becomes available in mid-April.

Thank you for your help in this very important matter.

Sincerely,

*Thomas K. Larson*

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