



Minutes
Committee #3
Transportation, Construction, Public Safety and Traffic

Committee #3 met Tuesday, July 9, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 30 West Central Street, Chippewa Falls, WI.

Council/Committee Members present: Mike Hanke, Bill Hicks, Jane Lardahl, George Adrian and Mayor Hoffman.

Others present: City Attorney Robert Ferg, Police Chief Wendy Stelter, and City Clerk Bridget Givens.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am.

- 1. Discuss and consider Sidewalk Use Permit Application from Duncan Creek Wine Bar to place an open sign and a bench directly in front of their building at 213 Bridge Street. Possible recommendations to the Council.**

Motion by Hicks/Lardahl to recommend approval of the Sidewalk Use Permit Application from Duncan Creek Wine Bar. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

Mayor Hoffman suggested extending the time period for Sidewalk Use Permits to more than one year so businesses would not have to apply for the permit on an annual basis. This will be added for discussion on a future agenda.

- 2. Discuss and consider safety survey conducted by the Chippewa Falls Police Department in relation to potential safety measures in municipal buildings. Possible recommendations to the Council.**

Chief Stelter reviewed a summary of results from the safety survey (available for viewing in the Clerk's Office) that was conducted earlier this year. Of all the departments, the library had the most safety concerns as it is a highly attended building. The Police Department plans to conduct a training session with the library staff on how to handle confrontational situations.

Additional discussion ensued regarding measures that could be taken to curb some of the issues the library is experiencing including the following:

- a. requiring each individual wishing to use the internet to sign in;
- b. installing surveillance cameras;
- c. discouraging loitering;
- d. installing scan card systems to gain entrance to the library wherein the card includes a name and photograph; and
- e. implementing consistent closing hours to allow police patrol.

Councilor Hicks will share this information with the Library Board for their review and input as well.

Overall, Chief Stelter felt that most of the issues expressed in the survey are simple, low-cost fixes. Councilor Hanke, as Chair of Committee #3, will attend a future Department Head meeting to discuss how some of the recommended changes should be implemented.

No action taken.

3. Discuss and consider removal and/or revision of the concealed weapon signs at the entrances to City-owned buildings. Possible recommendations to the Council.

Discussion was had regarding the verbiage that may be included on the signs.

Motion by Lardahl/Hicks to table this item to allow City Attorney Ferg to do additional research and offer guidance to the Committee. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

4. Discuss and consider the possibility of implementing a dangerous animal ordinance or other ordinance(s) related to problems caused by animals within the City of Chippewa Falls. Possible recommendations to the Council.

Councilor Hicks shared that he feels major changes need to be made to the City's ordinances regarding dogs at large and vicious dogs. Discussion was had regarding the classification of a vicious dog, and how a proper process for deeming a dog to be vicious could be implemented. The following potential ordinance changes and/or additions were discussed:

- a. instituting a process to classify a dog as vicious;
- b. higher licensing fees for dogs classified as vicious;
- c. liability insurance requirement covering dogs classified as vicious;
- d. stricter enforcement of leash laws;
- e. higher fines for dogs running at large;
- f. higher fines for failure to license;
- g. notice to property owners (landlords) of their liability when a dog is classified as vicious;
- h. potential muzzle requirements for a dog classified as vicious; and
- i. reducing the number of dogs an individual can have without applying for a kennel license.

It was also discussed that copies of the City's ordinance be provided to at time of licensure.

City Attorney Ferg will begin to draft new ordinance language for review at the next meeting, tentatively scheduled for mid-August.

No action taken.

5. Adjournment

Motion by Lardahl/Hicks to adjourn at 10:45 am. **All present voting aye, motion carried.**

Minutes submitted by:
Mike Hanke, Chair

SIDEWALK USE PERMIT APPLICATION

NAME Duncan Creek Wine Bar
ADDRESS 213- Bridge St
PHONE # 715-797-2304

DATE AND LENGTH OF TIME REQUESTED FOR USE OF SIDEWALK:

July 1st - Oct 1st 2013

DESCRIPTION OF THE PORTION OF SIDEWALK TO BE USED:

30" Directly in front of 213 Bridge St footprint

DESCRIBE IN DETAIL WHAT THE SIDEWALK WILL BE USED FOR:

wine barrel with a Lunch & Dinner open sign on it (small) and a Red wood bench for eye appeal (which we had previously)

THE APPLICANT AGREES TO INDEMNIFY, DEFEND AND HOLD THE CITY AND ITS EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS HARMLESS AGAINST ALL CLAIMS, LIABILITY, LOSS, DAMAGE OR EXPENSE INCURRED BY THE CITY ON ACCOUNT OF ANY INJURY TO, OR DEATH OF, ANY PERSON OR ANY DAMAGE TO PROPERTY CAUSED BY OR RESULTING FROM THE ACTIVITIES FOR WHICH THE PERMIT IS GRANTED.

THIS SIDEWALK PERMIT MAY BE REVOKED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR VIOLATION OF ANY CONDITION OF SUCH PERMIT AS SET OUT IN ORDINANCE 94-13, PASSED ON MAY 17, 1994. SUCH REVOCATION SHALL BE AFTER AFFORDING THE PERMIT HOLDER A HEARING BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL AFTER SERVICE ON THE PERMIT HOLDER OF NOTICE OF HEARING AT LEAST 3 DAYS BUT NOT MORE THAN 30 DAYS FROM THE DATE AND SERVICE OF THE NOTICE AND A DETAILED STATEMENT OF THE FACTS ALLEGED TO CONSTITUTE ANY SUCH VIOLATION.

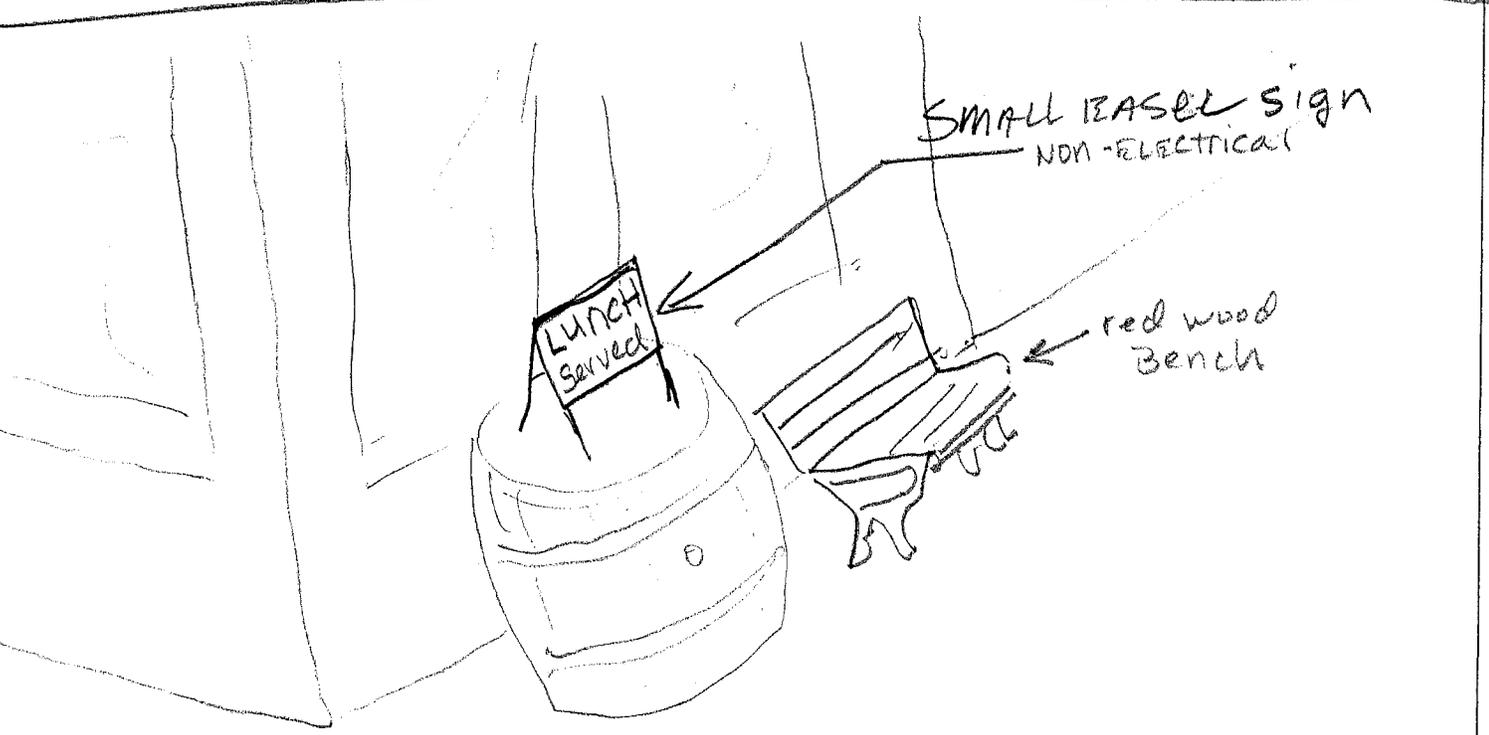
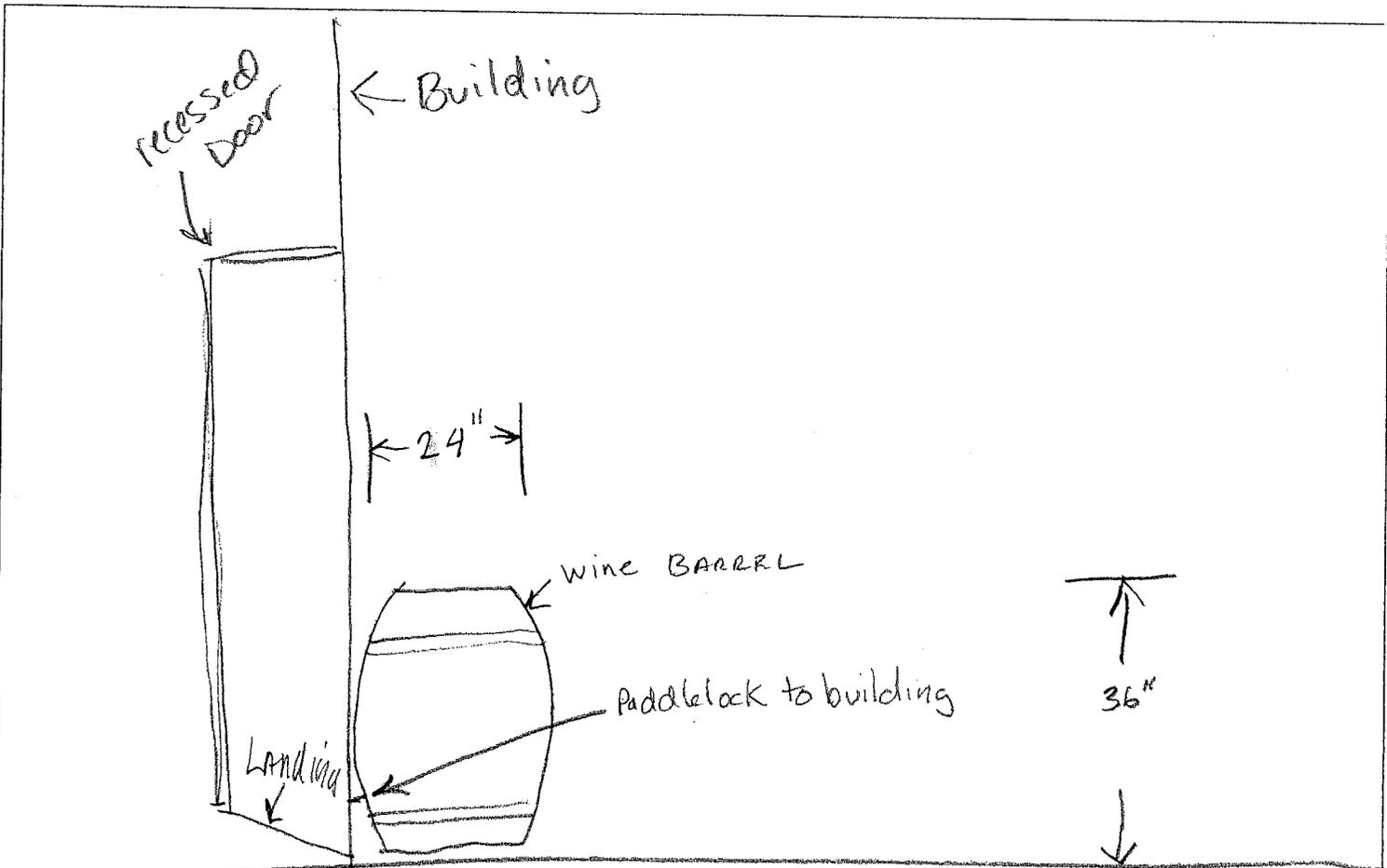
BOND CERTIFICATE AND SKETCH OF AREA TO BE USED ATTACHED

Brenda [Signature]
SIGNATURE OF BUSINESS OWNER

July 3rd 2013
DATE SIGNED

APPROVED BY COUNCIL ON _____

(1)



9.015 - FIREARMS IN PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND CITY-OWNED VEHICLES

PROHIBITED. (Cr. #2011-12)

(1)

FIREARMS PROHIBITED. Pursuant to §943.13(1m)(c)4., Wis. Stats., no person shall enter or remain in any part of a building owned, occupied or controlled by the State of Wisconsin or a local government unit if the State or local governmental unit has notified the person not to enter or to remain in the building while carrying a firearm or a specific type of firearm.

(2)



SIGNS. The Public Works Department shall cause signs to be erected at all entrances to all buildings owned, occupied or under the control of the City of Chippewa Falls which shall provide notice that no person is to enter or remain in any such building while carrying a firearm. Such signs shall be five inches by seven inches or larger.

(3)

FIREARMS IN VEHICLES. No person shall carry a firearm while in a City-owned vehicle, including emergency medical vehicles. Emergency medical personnel are hereby authorized to remove a firearm from the immediate bodily possession of any person being transported. The firearm shall be returned to the person being transported when it is safe to do so and no longer violates any prohibition against possession of a firearm.

(4)

PEACE OFFICERS EXCEPTED. Nothing in this section shall be construed to apply to prohibit a peace officer or armed forces or military personnel armed in the line of duty or any person duly authorized by the Chief of Police to possess a firearm in any public building or in a City-owned vehicle.

(5)

NON-AUTHORIZATION. Nothing in this section shall be construed to authorize the carrying of any firearm or dangerous weapon contrary to §941.23 or §941.235, Wis. Stats.

(6)

PENALTY. Any person who violates any provision of this section shall be required to forfeit not less than \$250 nor more than \$500, plus any applicable court costs. Each violation shall be a separate offense.