



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

**Committee #3 met Thursday, February 10, 2011 at 5:00 PM in Council Chambers, City Hall, 30 West Central Street, Chippewa Falls, WI.**

Attendees: Bill Hicks, CW King, George Adrian, Michael Dahlby, Jane Lardahl, City Inspector Paul Lasiewicz, Police Chief Wendy Stelter.

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM.

**Item #1:** Discuss Sign Variance request from Randy Franham to allow a 2' X 3' projecting sign over the public sidewalk for his business location at 1014 Pearl Street (Pearl Street Café) with possible recommendations to the Common Council.

City Inspector Paul Lasiewicz stated the variance is needed due to the current zoning of the property. After reviewing the provided drawings Committee members discussed additional design concepts with Mr. Franham.

**Motion by Hicks/Adrian**, all present voting aye, to recommend approval of the sign variance with the following requirements: The background color of the sign is to be white, the size will be no greater than 2' X 3' and the minimum height is to be 10' above the sidewalk. **Motion carried.**

**Item #2:** Discuss DNR "DRAFT for Public Comment – Status Report to the Natural Resources Board: Silica Study" with possible recommendations to the Common Council.

Mr. Michael Dahlby read a letter he authored addressed to the Honorable Members of the Chippewa Falls City Council, to Committee #3 and its' members. Subject: City of Chippewa Falls Response to DNR Status Report to Natural Resources Board: Silica Study, December 2010 (attached). Dr. Peter Holm Read a Health Care Providers' Letter submitted to Draft Silica Study Report and asked that it be made a part of the Committee minutes. (Attached). An in depth discussion of the health hazards from crystalline silica transpired. All members of the public that were present were given an opportunity to speak. A list of their names is attached.

**Motion by King/Adrian**, all present voting eye, to recommend to the Common Council that the City Attorney be directed to respond to the study with a Letter to the Governor and the DNR asking that the DNR be directed to list crystalline silica as a known carcinogenic hazard air pollutant as defined in Wisconsin's Air Toxic Rule, Ch. NR 445 Wis. Admin. Code; and to develop an interim standard (safe level) by July 1, 2011 that will remain in place until a permanent standard is developed. **Motion carried.**

**Item #3:** Adjournment

**Motion by Adrian/King**, all present voting aye, to adjourn at 5.55PM. **Motion carried.**

**Minutes submitted by:**  
**Bill Hicks, Committee #3 Chair**

**Names of members of the public speaking before Committee #3:**

Heather Andersen  
Karen Moe  
Dale R. McGraw  
Pat Popple