



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

Committee #3 met Monday, June 27, 2011 at 8:00 AM in Council Chambers, City Hall, 30 West Central Street, Chippewa Falls, WI.

Attendees: Bill Hicks, Mike Hanke, Police Chief Wendy Stelter, Jane Lardahl, Fire Chief Thomas Larson and Director of Public Works Rick Rubenzer.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM.

Item 1: Consider establishing a forum so all those interested in the City of Chippewa Falls and in Chippewa County can further discuss and improve and standardize our tornado warning, response and planning. Possible recommendation to City Council.

The Emergency Management Plan for the City of Chippewa Falls was last revised in 2004. There is no digital media for the plan. Fire Chief Larson recommends we partner with Chippewa County and adopt their plan after our needs are integrated. Police Chief Stelter stated the current criteria for sounding our alarms are subjective and is the responsibility of the senior officer on duty. Chief Larson will contact The County's Directory of Emergency Management Mr. Dennis Brown to discuss the integration of the City into the County's Emergency Management Plan. Chief Larson will bring the results of that discussion back to Committee 3 for consideration. Chief Larson and Chief Stelter will revise the current policy/procedure for sounding the emergency siren and bring their recommendation back to Committee 3 for consideration.

No Action taken.

Item 2: Consider Sidewalk Use Ordinances, Chapters 8.2 and 25. Possible recommendation to City Council.

Chapter 25 establishes the penalty for violating City Ordinances while Chapter 8 establishes the requirements for both Street and Sidewalk uses. We found Chapter 8 addressed all the issues that have been raised to date.

No Action Taken

Item 3: Sidewalk Use Permit Application from E-Clips Studio for a large pot of flowers from present throughout the year at 622 North Bridge Street. Possible recommendation to City Council.

Motion by Hanke/Hicks, to recommend the Council approve the side walk use permit emphasizing the requirements of City Ordinance Chapter 8. The pot should be kept as close to the building front as possible and at no time shall it impede sidewalk use. At all times a minimum of 5 feet of clearance from the street curb shall be maintained. The permit is issued from the date of approval until November 15, 2011. **Motion carried.**

Item 4: Sidewalk Use Permit Application from Vicki's Frame Shop/ Eevy Ivy Over Floral, for permanent use of the sidewalk area under the eaves of the building at 314 North Bridge Street. Possible recommendation to City Council.

Motion by Hanke/Hicks, to recommend the Council approve the side walk use permit emphasizing the requirements of City Ordinance Chapter 8. Permanent use of the City sidewalks is prohibited by chapter 8. The dates for sidewalk use is from April 15 through November 15 each year. The items under the eaves of the building should be kept as close to the building front as possible and at no time shall they impede sidewalk use. At all times a minimum of 5 feet of clearance from the street curb shall be maintained. The permit is issued from the date of approval until November 15, 2011. **Motion carried.**

Item 5: Consider Sidewalk Use Permit Application from TCTEKS computers 100N Bridge Street for a Sandwich board sign from present until June 21, 2012. Possible recommendation to City Council.

Motion by Hanke/Hicks, all present voting aye, to recommend the Council approve the side walk use permit emphasizing the requirements of City Ordinance Chapter 8. The dates for sidewalk use is from April 15 through November 15 each year. The sandwich board sign should be kept as close to the building front as possible and at no time shall it impede sidewalk use. At all times a minimum of 5 feet of clearance from the street curb shall be maintained. The permit is issued from the date of approval until November 15, 2011. **Motion carried.**

6. Consider Sidewalk Use Permit Application from Country Treasures, 216 N. Bridge Street, for flowers in summer and greenery in winter display on sidewalk next to building throughout fall and winter 2011-2012. Possible recommendation to City Council.

Motion by Hanke/Hicks, all present voting aye, to recommend the Council approve the side walk use permit emphasizing the requirements of City Ordinance Chapter 8. The dates for sidewalk use is from April 15 through November 15. The flowers and greenery should be kept as close to the building front as possible and at no time shall they impede sidewalk use. At all times a minimum of 5 feet of clearance from the street curb shall be maintained. The permit is issued from the date of approval until November 15, 2011. **Motion carried.**

7. Adjournment.

Motion by Hicks/Hanke, all present voting aye, to adjourn at 9.05 AM. **Motion carried.**

Submitted by:

Bill Hicks, Committee Chairman