

## **MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

### **The Rawalpindi Chamber of Commerce & Industry**

#### **RCCI Standing Committee Meeting on**

#### **City Beautification & Development**

**Venue: Khalid Waheed Conference Hall**

**Time: 02:30pm**

**Date: 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2013**

**Chairman: Syed Asif Shah**

**Vice Chairman: Babar Zaman**

**Minutes Recorded by: Satwat Malik**

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	The meeting was formally started with the recitation of Holy Quran.
1.	Chairman of the Committee Syed Asif Shah started the meeting with the words of thanks to all participants and elaborated the importance of the Standing Committee in the Chamber.
2.	The Vice President RCCI Ch. Nadeem A. Rauf started the meeting with the words of thanks to all participants and elaborated the importance of the Standing Committee in the Chamber. He said that beautification can be found in the Cantt area of Rawalpindi but this is not with the whole city. He said green belts are diminished and there is bad wall chalking in the city. He suggested that <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For the beautification of the city we can have collaboration with different universities.</li> <li>• Walls can be painted with beautiful colors or with pictures of National Heroes.</li> <li>• Proper arrangements should be made for the cleaning of roads &amp; streets.</li> </ul>
3.	Mr. Tahir Taj Bhatti emphasized on the need of collaboration with students for the beautification of the city. And suggested the formulation of sub-committees for this purpose.
4.	Mr. Ifthikhar Shirazi said for the cleaning and beautification of the city we should contact authorities. Encroachments should be controlled.
5.	Syed Muhammad Ishfaq said that it is a matter of sense of responsibility so practical initiatives are needed for the cleaning & beautification of the city.
6.	A member said we can clean & beautify our city only if we create awareness in the minds of people.
7.	Mr. Ehsaan Qadir emphasized on the need of self-correction. He said we cannot achieve this goal of city cleaning & beautification unless & until we correct ourselves individually.
8.	A member emphasised on the need of controlling traffic and use of recycling system.
9.	Mr. Muhammad Farooq stressed on the need of recycling the garbage. He said that incentives like certificates should be given to students who participate in beautification of the city.
10.	A member pointed out that there is a need for the beautification of 22 No. Choongi. He said a gateway with the name of 'Bab-e-TenchBhata' should be made.
11.	Ms. Syma Hussain said historical buildings of Rawalpindi are deteriorating so they should be preserved.
12.	Ms. Farah Javaid pointed out that <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A society/union should maintain cleaning of the city.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boards of the shop should be of same sizes.</li> <li>• Dustbins should be placed in different areas of the city.</li> </ul>
13.	Mr. Khalid Pervaiz stressed on the need of self efforts and implementation of laws forcefully.
14.	A member said we have to choose a starting point for the beautification of the city and the best way is to start from established areas to worst areas. Plantation should be started and students should be encouraged for plantation with the name-plate of that student on the tree as incentive.
15.	Mr. Abdul Waheed said awareness is much more needed. He said we should start from a bazaar to beautify as a model bazaar.
16.	Mr. Iqbal Subhani said we should start from a road to beautify as a model road with no encroachments and for this purpose support/cooperation is needed from authorities.
17.	Mr. Bilal Maqbool said an awareness program should be started and 'Hafta-e-Safai' should be started on regular basis.
18.	Mr. Afzaal Butt highlighted the problems of clear water, traffic and encroachments.
19.	Mr. Waqas Haider emphasized on the need of gateways at entrances of Faizabad, Cantt Area, etc. And controlling traffic problems. He said that there should be no traffic signal at Naz Cinema.
20.	Mr. Asad Mashadi emphasized on the need of self efforts. He said boards of the shops should be same in size.
21.	Group leader Mr. Najam-ul-Haq Malik said the cleaning & beautification of city should be started from a bazaar to make it a model bazaar.
22.	Mr. Tahir Taj Bhatti stressed on the need of collaboration between Standing Committee on Environment & Standing Committee on City Beautification and Development for the cleaning & beautification of the city.
23.	President RCCI Mr. Manzar Khurshid Shaikh highlighted traffic & parking problems.
24.	<p>Vice Chairman Babar Zaman highlighted following points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There is a need of overhead bridge from Mareer Chowk to Faizabad</li> <li>• There should be our representation in Police and 1122</li> <li>• Road lights to be converted to Solar Energy</li> <li>• Two rows at checkpoints instead of one row</li> </ul>
25.	At the end Vice Chairman Babar Zaman thanked President, Group Leader, Mr. Asad Mashadi, Ch. Nadeem A. Rauf and all participants and ensured support & cooperation. The meeting was adjourned with vote of thanks.