COMMON COUNCIL REORGANIZATION MEETING
April 20, 2010

Present:        Brockman, Luskey, Miller, Pape, Peabody, Stoeberl, Hansen (new),
                Werch (new), Will (new). Schraeder arrived at 6:37 p.m.
Absent:         Schueler
Others:         City Administrator Barg, City Attorney Wurtz

Miller called the special meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

After the pledge of allegiance, Barg gave the invocation.

Ordinance – Creating Ripon Area Fire District Board of Commissioners
Brockman moved and Peabody seconded a motion to approve an ordinance creating the
Ripon Area Fire District Board of Commissioners, whose mission is to address a
disciplinary issue involving the Fire Chief, after which the board will be disbanded.
Motion carried 5-1, with Luskey opposed and Peabody abstaining.

Recognition of outgoing council members and acting mayor
Barg recognized and thanked outgoing council members Gib Stoeberl and Deano Pape
for their outstanding service to the community. He also thanked and commended Barb
Miller for serving as acting mayor for the past 3 months. Miller also thanked Pape and
Stoeberl for everything they have done and for being great to work with over the past
few years.

With no further business before the outgoing council, Pape moved and Luskey seconded
a motion to adjourn. Motion carried 6-0. Miller declared the first portion of the
reorganization meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Mayor Will reconvened the meeting at 6:47 p.m.

Barg administered the oath of office to the five members elected on April 6th, (Gary Will,
Jim Werch, Joel Brockman, Howard Hansen, Al Schraeder).

Elections by the Council
  • Brockman moved and Luskey seconded a motion to have Lud Wurtz continue as
city attorney. Motion carried 7-0.

  • Peabody moved and Schraeder seconded a motion to elect Miller as council
  president. Motion carried 6-0, with Miller abstaining.

  • Miller moved and Peabody seconded a motion to elect Schueler as the Council
  representative on the Plan Commission. Motion carried 7-0.

After some discussion, Miller moved and Brockman seconded a motion directing staff to
prepare an ordinance for consideration in May to establish the position of alternate
council member to the Plan Commission, with the intent of naming Peabody to this
position. Motion carried 7-0.
Committee appointments
Mayor Will proposed and Council unanimously approved the following appointments to various committees and boards.

- Park and Recreation Committee – Peabody
- Historic Preservation Commission – Schueler
- Loan Review Board – Schueler
- Transportation Commission – Werch
- Ripon Medical Center Board – Schraeder
- Ripon Area Fire District – Brockman, Miller, Hansen, Luskey
- Board of Review – Brockman, Schueler, Werch, Miller, Will, Barg

Designation of official publication
Brockman moved and Schraeder seconded a motion to again designate the Ripon Commonwealth as the City’s official newspaper. Motion carried 7-0.

Mayor’s address to the Council
Mayor Will addressed Council members, outlining some of his goals and ideas, and expressing a desire to work with the Council and staff. He stressed that one of his main objectives is to solicit input and involvement from the citizens of this community.

With no other business before Council, Hansen moved and Luskey seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0. Will declared the special meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Barg, City Administrator