

COMMON COUNCIL MEETING

August 13, 2013

Present: Peabody, Werch, Brockman, Hansen, Klein, Pape, Miller (arrived at 7:03 p.m.), Will

Absent: Schraeder

Others: City Administrator Rich, City Attorney Wurtz, Public Works Director Drake, Police Chief Lukoski, City Clerk Schommer

Will called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation – Public Works Director Travis Drake

Approval of agenda

Motion made by Klein, second by Hansen to approve agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Public communications and comment

None

Consent calendar

Motion made by Brockman, second by Hansen to approve consent calendar as presented.

Motion carried. With this motion the following items were approved.

1. Informational reports from standing committees and staff
 - a. Historic Preservation minutes – July 2nd
 - b. Common Council minutes – July 9th & July 22nd
 - c. Plan Commission minutes – July 17th
 - d. Community Development Authority minutes – July 22nd
 - e. Park & Recreation minutes – July 24th
 - f. Ripon Public Library minutes – July 30th
 - g. Ripon Taxi – July
 - h. Building Inspector report - July
 - i. EMS report – July
 - j. Fire District report – July
 - k. Police Department report – July
 - l. Senior Center report – July
 - m. City Administration reports
 - Treasurer's report – July
 - Budget report – July
 - Check register – July
2. Ripon Chamber of Commerce, Jason Mansmith, Agent, has applied for a Temporary Class "B"/"Class B" license for September 21, 2013 (Septemberfest)-sales and consumption in roped off area in front of 120 Watson Street, Ripon.
3. Request for street closures – Chamber (Septemberfest)
The Ripon Area Chamber of Commerce is seeking approval of street closures, a beer tent, parking restrictions, etc. in conjunction with its Septemberfest event on September 21st.

Discussion Item

Storm sewer stenciling

The Ripon League of Women Voters requests permission for their organization's volunteers to stencil the city's storm sewers with "do not pollute, flows directly to lake". Motion made by Hansen, second by Peabody to approve request for the Ripon League of Women Voters to stencil the city's storm sewers with "do not pollute, flows directly to lake with the stipulation the city receives a "hold harmless" agreement and proper certificate of liability insurance. Motion carried.

Reallocation of funds in the 2013 budget for used plow truck

Drake informed council a suitable used plow truck has not been located at this time. Public Works is seeking council's authorization for the \$40,000 included in the 2013 budget to be reallocated as the first of five payments on a lease-to-own truck with a 20-year life. Motion made by Brockman, second by Hansen to approve request to reallocate funds in the 2013 budget for used plow truck. Motion carried.

Dog ordinance

Peabody request council look at the forfeitures listed in the current ordinance because they appear to be antiquated. Peabody suggested at least \$100 for a first offense. Chief Lukoski informed council that the penalties listed in the current ordinance are the fees the city receives. Actual penalty is \$25 plus court costs to equal \$189.50. Many other state and county departments receive a portion of the fee. Chief Lukoski recommendation is not to increase penalty amounts and not require training certification. Lukoski stated his department along with the City Attorney, Clerk's office and courts need to do a better job to get all dogs and cats licensed in the city and to issue citations to those who don't get their pets licensed. No action taken.

Project updates & staff reports

Recognition of employees celebrating anniversaries in August with the city

Klein recognized employees celebrating anniversaries in August with the city: John Teachout with the Ripon Police Department and Timothy Schroeder with the Ripon Police Department.

Mayor's communications and appointments

No mayoral appointments. Will did invite the public to attend a Brat Fry to take place Sunday, August 18 at Ripon Pick N Save. Brat Fry sponsored by Citizen Police Academy and proceeds will go to support future Citizen Police Academy's.

Agenda items for future Council meetings

None

Adjourn to closed session Wisconsin Statutes 19.85 (1)(e) "Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session"

RE: Sale of city-owned property (123 Jefferson)

RE: Proposed amendment to TID 4 Development Agreement (Rogers)

Motion made by Brockman, second by Peabody to adjourn to closed session. Motion carried. With no further business in open session, Will declared meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Ann Schommer, City Clerk

