

**CITY OF RIPON  
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING  
Council Chambers, City Hall  
Tuesday, June 11, 2013  
7:00 p.m.**

- I. Call to order/roll call
- II. Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation – Pastor Pam Werth
- III. Approval of agenda
- IV. Public communications and comment
- V. Conduct public hearing – allowing chickens in the City limits
- VI. Consent calendar (Unless the Mayor, Council, or staff asks that one or more of the items listed below be pulled, this list may be approved with a single vote.)
  1. Informational reports from standing committees and staff
    - a. Historic Preservation minutes – May 14<sup>th</sup>
    - b. Common Council minutes – May 14<sup>th</sup>
    - c. Ripon Public Library minutes – May 28<sup>th</sup>
    - d. Ripon Taxi – April
    - e. Building Inspector report - May
    - f. EMS report – May
    - g. Fire District report – May
    - h. Police Department report – May (to be distributed at mtg.)
    - i. Senior Center report – May
    - j. City Administration reports
      - Treasurer’s report – May
      - Budget report – May
      - Check register – May
  2. Fermented malt beverage and/or alcohol beverage licenses (see attached)  
(Staff note: The attached sheets contain the list of annual licenses requested for the period from July 1, 2013 until June 30, 2014 for fermented malt beverages and intoxicating liquor.)
  3. Sidewalk café and/or outdoor service/beer garden licenses (see attached)  
(Staff note: The attached sheet contains the list of annual licenses requested for the period from July 1, 2013 until June 30, 2014 for sidewalk café and/or outdoor service/beer garden licenses.)
  4. Cigarette and tobacco products retail license (see attached)  
(Staff note: The attached sheet contains the list of annual licenses requested for the period from July 1, 2013 until June 30, 2014 for cigarette and tobacco products retail licenses.)
  5. Request for street closures (4 events) – Ripon Main Street (Craig Tebon)  
(Staff note: As stated in the attached note, Ripon Main Street seeks approval to close Seward Street from Ransom to Watson Street and Watson from Seward south to the Horicon Bank drive-thru entrance from 5:00 p.m. to

10:30 p.m. on the following Fridays: 6/28, 7/5, 7/26 and 8/9 for concerts that are expected to draw a large crowd. Staff has no objections.)

## VII. Action Items

1. Tabled item – Petition to allow more than 2 dogs (Frank Smith and Lisa Pagan)  
(Staff note: At the May council meeting council tabled a petition from Frank Smith and Lisa Pagan requesting to have a third dog. This dog is a therapy dog for Ms. Pagan for depression. Chief Lukoski has concerns with request from Frank Smith and Lisa Pagan. Less than a year ago Ripon Police Department responded to a complaint regarding animal hoarding at the residence. More than 20 cats were removed from the home. Council tabled item until the individuals can appear before council. The individuals will be here tonight.)
2. Petition – request to allow more than 2 dogs (JoAnn Steinberg and David Sauer, 405 Ardmore Ave.)  
(Staff note: JoAnn Steinberg and David Sauer, 405 Ardmore Ave, are seeking approval for a third dog under Chapter 8.04 of the Ripon City Code. The petition signatures meet the required 75% of signatures of those living within 200 feet of their home. The Police Chief has no objections to this request, and staff recommends approval.)
3. Petition – request to allow more than 2 dogs (Joan Will, 555 Fenton Street)  
(Staff note: Joan Will, 555 Fenton Street, is seeking approval for a third dog under Chapter 8.04 of the Ripon City Code. The petition signatures meet the required 75% of signatures of those living within 200 feet of their home. The Police Chief has no objections to this request, and staff recommends approval.)
4. Resolution – Writing off certain delinquent personal property tax accounts  
(Staff note: Annually, staff brings forward a list of personal property tax bills recommended to write off, as they are uncollectible for various reasons. They were reviewed with the City Attorney before drafting the attached resolution.)

## VIII. Discussion items

1. Consider amending floodplain near Mill Pond  
(Staff note: As noted on the attached document from the Public Works Director, an amendment to the floodplain zoning is needed to reduce the Dam Hazard Classification from High Hazard to Significant Hazard. The Plan Commission recommends holding the public hearing to add the area to the 100 year floodplain.)
2. Mill Pond Dam spillway alternatives  
(Staff note: At the last council meeting Public Works Director Drake presented spillway alternatives for the Mill Pond dam. Council requested example of the ogee type spillway. Attached is a photo for further discussion.)
3. Consider allowing backyard fowl within City limits  
(Staff note: At the May council meeting council accepted a petition signed by 131 City of Ripon residents requesting the Council to consider revising the City's ordinance to allow backyard fowl within City limits. Staff seeks council direction.)

- IX. Project updates & staff reports
- X. Mayor's communications and appointments
  - 1. Appoint member of Library Board
- XI. Agenda items for future Council meetings
- XII. Adjourn to closed session under 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: Possible acceptance of the donation of residential property
  - RE: Consider reducing the asking price on the South Grove lot
  - RE: Consider release of excess collateral (Rolling Hills)

Council will review minutes from the closed session on 5/14/2013 for accuracy and release.