

**CITY OF RIPON  
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING  
Council Chambers, City Hall  
Tuesday, August 11, 2015  
7:00 p.m.**

- I. Call to order/roll call
- II. Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation - Peggy Salmela
- III. Approval of agenda
- IV. Public communications and comment
- V. Accept informational reports from standing committees and staff
  1. Common Council minutes – July 14 July 27
  2. Board of Zoning Appeals minutes – July 15
  3. Historic Preservation minutes – July 7
  4. Library Board minutes – June 30 July 28
  5. Loan Review Board minutes – July 15
  6. Park and Rec minutes – July 22
  7. Ripon Area Fire District minutes – July 7
  8. Building Inspector report – Distributed at meeting
  9. EMS report – July
  10. Police Department report – July
  11. Public Works report - July
  12. Ripon Area Fire District report – July
  13. Ripon Taxi report – July
  14. Senior Citizen report – July
  15. Water/Waste Water Utility report - July
  16. City Administrator report – July
  17. City Administration reports
    - a. Treasurer’s report – Distributed at meeting
    - b. Budget report – Distributed at meeting
    - c. Check register – Distributed at meeting
- VI. Consent calendar (Unless the Mayor, Council or staff asks that one or more of the items listed be pulled, this list may be approved with a single vote.)
  1. Operator Licenses for the 2015/2016 licensing period (see attached)  
(Staff note: The attached sheet contains operator license requests for the period from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. Staff recommends approval of all licenses.)
  2. The following business has applied in the City of Ripon for “Class A”- Cider Only license for the 2015-2016 licensing year: Kwik Trip, Inc., (trade name) Kwik Trip 770, 545 E Fond du Lac Street, Ripon, WI 54971, Emma Laurine Hultman, Agent.

3. The following business has applied for a Soda Beverage license for the 2015/2016 licensing period: Ripon Drug Management Ent, Inc., (trade name) Ripon Drug, 328 Watson Street, Ripon, WI 54971.
4. Request for street closures – Chamber (Septemberfest)  
(Staff note: The Ripon Area Chamber of Commerce is seeking approval of street closures, parking restrictions, etc. in conjunction with its Septemberfest event on September 19<sup>th</sup>. This request is similar to that of past years, and staff has no objections or concerns.)
5. Request for street closure – Ripon Main Street (Craig Tebon)  
(Staff note: As stated in the attached note, Ripon Main Street seeks approval to close the sections of Seward and Watson Streets adjacent to the Village Green from 4:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. on Saturday, September 5<sup>th</sup> for a concert that is expected to draw a large crowd. Staff has no objections.)

VII. Discussion items

1. Review 2016 budget schedule; solicit Council’s input/parameters  
(Staff note: The schedule of meetings and key dates for the 2016 budget process is attached for Council’s review. In addition, as has been done in recent years, staff is seeking input from the Council as we begin this process.)
2. Amended bylaws – Ripon Area Fire District  
(Staff note: The Ripon Area Fire District approved the attached revised bylaws, and the board is asking the City and the other 2 participating municipalities to approve this document, which is required before the bylaws can be amended. On Tuesday, RAFD President Brockman will highlight the proposed changes and address Council’s questions, then staff will place this on the August 24<sup>th</sup> agenda as an action item.)
3. Improvements to the park at Sandmar  
(Staff note: Councilmember Brockman has requested a discussion of the City’s need for green space.)
4. Ball diamond improvements and long-term maintenance  
(Staff note: Councilmember Brockman has requested a discussion regarding the ball diamonds.)

VIII. Project updates & staff reports

IX. Mayor’s communications and appointments

X. Agenda items for future Council meetings

XI. Adjourn to closed session under Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(g) “Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved”

RE: Insurance claim for damages – Marlys Whitney  
RE: Lawsuits against Ripon Renew, Inc. and James P. Connelly  
RE: Ripon Renew, Inc. Second Mortgages

Council will also review minutes from the closed session on July 27, 2015 for accuracy.