

CITY OF RIPON
SPECIAL COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
Council Chambers, City Hall
Tuesday, November 11, 2014
6:30 p.m.

AGENDA

- I. Call to order/roll call
- II. Conduct public hearing – proposed 2015 budget and tax levy
- III. Consider resolution – adoption of 2015 budget and tax levy
- IV. Adjourn (by 6:55 p.m.)

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7:00 p.m.

- I. Call to order/roll call
- II. Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation - Clay Salmela
- III. Approval of agenda
- IV. Public communications and comment
- V. Accept informational reports from standing committees and staff
 - 1. Common Council minutes – October 14, October 27
 - 2. Historic Preservation minutes – September 2
 - 3. Municipal Board of Canvas minutes—Distributed at meeting
 - 4. Ripon Public Library minutes – October 28
 - 5. Park & Recreation minutes – October 22
 - 6. Plan Commission minutes – October 15
 - 7. Board of Zoning Appeals minutes – October 15
 - 8. Building Inspector report – October
 - 9. EMS report –October

10. Police Department report - October
11. Public Works report - October
12. Ripon Area Fire District report – Distributed at meeting
13. Water Utility report – October
14. Senior Center report – Distributed at meeting
15. City Administrator report – October
16. City Administration reports
 - a. Treasurer’s report – September, October
 - b. Budget report – September, October
 - c. Check register – October

VI. Consent calendar

1. Operator Licenses for the 2014/2015 licensing period (see attached listing)
(Staff note: License application in bold is recommended for denial.)

VII. Action Items

1. Review city’s debt and proposed refinancing
(Staff note: The City’s financial advisor, Ehlers, periodically reviews the City’s debt issues for potential refunding opportunities. Bond rates are near record lows, so the City’s 2004 and 2007 bond issues could be refunded for a savings. Phil Cosson will provide more detailed information at tonight’s meeting and will recommend approval of the following 4 resolutions below.)
2. Initial resolution authorizing general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$745,000 for street improvement projects
3. Initial resolution authorizing \$4,400,000 general obligation refunding bonds
4. Resolution directing publication of notice to electors relating to bond issues
5. Resolution providing for the sale of \$5,145,000 general obligation corporate purpose bonds, series 2014A
6. Resolution – supporting a constitutional amendment
(Staff note: Attached is the resolution approved by the City of Ripon electors at the November 4th General Election for council’s approval.)
7. Room Tax allocations
(Staff note: On October 28th staff and 2 council members met to listen to presentations from various area organizations requesting room tax funding. Attached is the committee’s recommendation to the council regarding the allocation of 2015 room tax.)

VIII. Project updates & staff reports

IX. Mayor’s communications and appointments

X. Agenda items for future Council meetings

XI. Adjourn