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Two Rivers, WI 54241-0087



March 13, 2025

Mr. Kenneth R Sippel  
4708 Hwy 147 W  
Maribel, WI 54227

Dear Kenneth,

Your sex offender residency appeal was received on March 3, 2025. Following review by our Police Department, your request, along with a recommendation for denial of your request by our Police Department, is being forwarded to the City Council for action at their meeting on Monday, March 17, 2025. You are welcome to attend this meeting in which Council may choose to allow you and/or your legal counsel to speak regarding your request.

The meeting will take place at:

Lester Public Library  
Community Room  
1001 Adams Street  
Two Rivers, WI 54241

The meeting starts at 6:00 PM. A meeting agenda will be posted at <https://www.two-rivers.org/meetings> no later than Friday, March 14, 2025.

Sincerely,

Amanda Baryenbruch  
City Clerk/Human Resources Director

Enclosures: 03/03/2025 Memo from Police Chief Meinnert



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**TO:** Amanda Baryenbruch, City Clerk  
**FROM:** Chief Ben Meinnert  
**DATE:** March 3, 2025  
**SUBJECT:** Sex Offender Residency Appeal

On January 9<sup>th</sup>, Stacie Erdman (Sippel) spoke with Detective Lieutenant Glaser regarding our Sex Offender ordinance restrictions. Erdman was interested in purchasing a house in order to reside in Two Rivers together with Sippel, but wanted to make sure he could with his sex offender status.

Detective Lieutenant Glaser investigated the circumstances and followed up with a phone call to Erdman later in the week. Det Lieutenant Glaser found that Sippel was convicted on August 14, 2002 for one count of **3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Sexual Assault of a Child § 940.225(3)** after pleading guilty. Mr. Sippel is not currently under Department of Corrections Division of Community Corrections Supervision, but he is on the sex offender registry until January 10, 2029

Based on **Ordinance 9-9-3 Domicile Restrictions**, Sippel does not fall under any of the exemptions for allowing an offender to reside within the city of Two Rivers. Specifically (**Section B**), Sippel did not have an established residence within the City of Two Rivers at the time of conviction, nor is there a residence within the City of Two Rivers where Sippel's parents, grandparents, siblings, spouse or child had established a residence at least five years before he intends to establish a residence in Two Rivers. No other exemptions are applicable.

On 03/03/25, Kenneth Sippel sent a letter to the Two Rivers City Clerk, along with a completed Manitowoc Sex Offender Residency Board Appeal form (included) requesting a waiver of the City of Two Rivers sex offender residency restrictions as outlined in Ord. 9-9. I had telephone contact with Mr. Sippel and confirmed he sent the letter and confirmed he has intentions to request a waiver. Based on Mr. Sippel's sex offense and the fact that he does not meet the criteria for an exception to the residency requirement, Mr. Sippel was advised he would not be permitted to reside within the City of Two Rivers without a waiver approved by City Council.

The Police Department recommends that no waiver or variance of the sex offender residency restriction be granted to Mr. Sippel. This recommendation is based upon the severity of the offense in which he has been convicted, a lengthy criminal history, and the fact Mr. Sippel has not previously resided in the City of Two Rivers, his wife has not resided in the City of Two Rivers, and there is likelihood that affordable housing is available within a jurisdiction where he could reside without being in violation of the law.