

First thing Natalie Rose Kemp is going to do is get a license and go get her chickens back.

Kemp is the woman who started the drive for backyard chickens in La Crosse when she found out the ones she was keeping in her yard were there illegally. The city council now has agreed to try allowing backyard birds for two years. Kemp sees attitudes mellowing towards hens by the anti-chicken crowd in that time through responsible chicken ownership and continued community education.

La Crosse is just the latest in a list of Wisconsin cities giving approval to keeping backyard hens.