

**MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA
COMMON COUNCIL
MAY 19, 2015
6:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER: The Common Council of the City of Rushville met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: The Pledge to the Flag was recited by those present.

PRAYER: Councilman Bridges led those present in prayer.

ROLL CALL: Council members, Bob Bridges, Brian Conner, and Craig Smith, answered roll call. Council member, Brad Berkemeier arrived after the roll was called. Council member, Brian Sheehan, and advisory member, Makayla Herbert were not present. Also present was City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse.

MINUTES: Conner made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 5, 2015 meeting as presented. Bridges seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Councilman Berkemeier arrived.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Pavey reported the following:

1. The Mayor's 5K race was a success, with 226 participants.
2. The architecture reviews for the Princess were completed on the 12th.
3. On the 14th Pavey attended New Castle's economic summit.
4. The 15th was the final day for the HCI questionnaire.
5. This Friday the Mayor will present awards at Rushville Elementary School.
6. This Friday there will also be a fund raiser "Remembering Rhoades" at the Elks.
7. The Memorial Day celebration will begin at the Veteran's bridge on the 25th. It will continue past the Courthouse and end at East Hill Cemetery.
8. There will be a Comedy Night Fundraiser for the Princess on the 29th.
9. On the 30th there will be a program recognizing the 150 years after the Civil War
10. The Grand Prix will take place on May 30th & 31st.
11. Foster Heights has been reclassified and will be available for funding for part of phase II of the Cherry Street project.
12. Soil has been stripped for the Flatrock retention pond.
13. On the 28th OCRA will do a walk through for the ADA grant for the Princess Theater.
14. Melissa Cowan is organizing a community cleanup. This will probably take place prior to Wilkie Days.
15. The contract for the 16th Street lights has been signed.
16. We are having pricing conversations regarding the farmer's market parking lot.

17. The County Commissioners will enter into a joint resolution on the maintenance for the levee.
18. The Mayor will send a letter of support for the grant set application for regional planning.
19. Had a discussion with Pike Lumber regarding trees at Riverside Park. The price for 50 trees was \$2,000–\$3,000. Mayor Pavey indicated that this is probably not worth the effort.
20. The Park Department will host the Lego Movie on the outdoor movie screen June 19th.
21. Purdue University has a course study featuring different projects. They have chosen Riverside Park as one of those projects.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT: Copley reported that the City received \$858.40 from items that we placed in the school auction.

She informed the Department Heads that budget forms were placed in their mailboxes today. They need to be returned to her by June 15.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Council President Bridges said he has been presenting DARE awards this week. He will present the awards to the final school on Friday.

Bridges said tonight from 4:00 until closing Dairy Queen will donate 20% of their revenues to the Boys & Girls Club.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Amphitheater/Park Board** - No update.
- **Marketing** – No update.
- **APC/BZA Building Code** – Had a meeting Monday. The County is ready to sit down and talk. Their concerns are financial.
- **City Center** –

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Fire – Fire Chief Jenkins gave a summary report from Coonrod regarding the Medicaid refund. We should receive a refund of \$79,225.00 within 18 months.

Police – Police Chief Tucker informed Council that Michael Ervine tendered his resignation as of May 29th.

Tucker said the family of Walter Garrison, who was killed in the line of duty in 1931, has passed on some of his belongings to the department. They will be placed on display at the department.

Street – Street Commissioner Miller informed Council that the Board of Works approved short term disability for Eric Corum due to an accident he suffered at his home.

Park – Park Director Mathews said the pool is ready to open this Saturday.

CITIZEN CONCERNS/COMMENTS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Contract – Legal** - All information has been received. We will put something together for approval.
2. **Drainage – Trailer Court South of Town** – Pavey said he will send Council a copy of the letter. ARa is working on the DR2 grant.
3. **Ball State “My Community-My Vision”** – Mayor Pavey said he is not sure where we are with this since we are at the end of the school year.
4. **Farm Contract Amendment** – We are waiting on signatures from the Liggetts.
5. **Amendments to Ordinance 2015-2 Permits and Inspection Fees** – Shelly Wakefield discussed with Council the plan to phase in the fees.
6. **National League of Cities Program** – Pavey will forward the information that was requested.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **CF1 Tax Abatement Emerson Climate Technologies** – Earl Jacobs and Gary Pettijohn appeared before Council to ask for approval of the CF1 for Emerson Climate Technologies. Councilman Smith thanked Emerson for their support. Pettijohn invited council to visit the facility. Bridges made a motion to approve the CF1s for Emerson. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **CF1 Tax Abatement Campaign Flats** – Eric Frye appeared before Council to ask for approval of the CF1 for Campaign Flats. Smith made a motion to approve the CF1. Conner seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **Cherry Street Extension Update** – Troy Stahl and Larry Lawlor from Fleis & Vandenbrink gave a brief update on the Cherry Street extension. They have started surveying, the right of way research, and utility research. Next month they will begin the field survey and get into the design for phase I. Notice of survey and investigation have been sent out.

4. **ACA Compliance Agreement** – Mayor Pavey said he and the Clerk-Treasurer met with our insurance provider to discuss the First Advantage agreement. We reviewed part time vs. seasonal employee tracking.
5. **Parking in the Park** – There has been discussion regarding paid parking during tourneys at the park ball diamonds. Newhouse will review the information.
6. **Danny Mathews Final Meeting** – Mayor Pavey thanked Danny Mathews for his 15 years of service with the City in the Park Department. He said Mathews set a great standard for the parks and how they look. Mathews said it has been a pleasure and an honor serving Rushville and its citizens.

CLAIMS: Bridges made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Berkemeier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ITEMS NOT KNOWN IN ADVANCE: None.

ADJOURN: There was no further business to come before Council; Conner made a motion to adjourn. Berkemeier seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.