

**MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA
COMMON COUNCIL
AUGUST 4, 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 6:14 p.m. (Immediately following the Common Council executive session)

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

PRAYER: Councilman Berkemeier led those present in prayer.

ROLL CALL: Council members, Bob Bridges, Brian Conner, Craig Smith, Brad Berkemeier, Brian Sheehan, and Student Advisor, Makayla Herbert answered roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Julie Newhouse and Kate Thurston, *Rushville Republican*.

MINUTES: Conner made a motion to approve the minutes of July 21, 2015 as presented. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Pavey reported the following:

1. He and the Clerk-Treasurer met with the DLGF regarding the 2016 budget.
2. The Chamber picnic and Relay for Life took place on the 24th.
3. Had discussion with the Drainage Board regarding 16th Street. The county agreed to work with us towards a resolution.
4. Met with Ivy Tech last week.
5. Met last Friday to discuss the City Center.
6. Met with Deb Lily on the Rush Mobile Home Park grant.
7. The Pearl Jam concert was last Saturday.
8. Yesterday we had the Rushville/Rush County 911 meeting.
9. Met yesterday with Councilman Bridges and Bruce Levi to discuss the City - County APC/BZA. Will meet with Grant Reeves on Thursday.
10. There was a City Center committee meeting last night. We are moving forward.
11. There was a press conference today regarding the J & M Manufacturing being purchased by IMPACT CNC.
12. Attended the Indot quarterly meeting today.
13. On the 6th there will be a meeting on the tax credit project.
14. There will be a conference call on the 10th to discuss the levee Lomar.
15. The next concert is on the 15th.
16. Councilman Smith is working on a retreat schedule.
17. Suggested we start planning for a bi-centennial celebration. Pavey asked Sheehan to put some ideas together.
18. We have been certified as a broad band community.

19. Asked Councilman Smith to work through issues in regard to Aspen Drive.
20. The Flatrock retention pond is up. The inflow and outflow is in, it is tied into the storm sewer, the tile is connected, and fencing has been ordered. The electric needs to be put in for the aerator.
21. The Street Department did the trenching at the Rush Mobile Home Park.
22. A tentative schedule for the Princess project is as follows: The schematic design on the Princess to complete in August. The design development complete at the end of November. The completion of design documents should be done by the end of January. Bids would be March 1st. Construction would be the end of December 2016. (All subject to change)
23. The underground storm water is in place for the Farmers Market, the electric is going in now. The Street Department will remove 18 inches of brick to prepare for paving this fall.
24. There is an indoor flea market going in on West 3rd Street. They would like the ability to do a market outdoors also. We don't want this to be a continual thing. We will probably be discussing this through an ordinance.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT: Copley reported that we will have a public hearing on the 2016 budget on October 6, 2015. The budget adoption is scheduled for October 20, 2015.

The Board of Works gave permission for the Clerk-Treasurer and the Mayor to enter into a loan agreement with Citizen's State Bank for the purchase of a 2009 International Dump Truck in the amount of \$61,400.00 at an interest rate of 2.64% for a period of 3 years.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Council President Bridges said the APC/BZA meeting with the County was very productive. They are looking at an aggressive schedule. We will probably need approval from the Attorney General.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Amphitheater/Park Board** – There was vandalism at the Riverside Park. All were caught. We are putting together a list of damages.
- **Marketing** – Delivered information to Sheehan. We are setting up a meeting with Shelley Wakefield.
- **APC/BZA** – Discussed.
- **City Center Schedule** – Discussed.
- **Cherry Street Extension** –

Sheehan questioned when the 52 project would be completed. Pavey said he thought it was due for completion by October.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Fire – Chief Jenkins handed out monthly and year-to-date reports.

He reported that 4 out of 5 have passed the ALS testing. We will be going for approval of ALS on August 19. We have ordered equipment to proceed.

Jenkins said we need to decide how we want to handle an ALS II fee. After lengthy discussion Sheehan made a motion to approve the designation of ALS II and have that added to the fee structure at \$800.00 as soon as possible, and while doing so look into having the ordinance changed to see fee structure. Berkemeier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Police – Chief Tucker said Brandon Meyer has been approved by Perf. He will start his patrol duties this Saturday.

Caitlin Smith began training at the police academy last week.

Tucker passed out a joint letter from him and the Sheriff regarding failing communication equipment and a long range plan. They asked that a temporary ad hoc committee be formed with representatives from both the City and County. Mayor Pavey appointed Conner and Bridges to sit on committee as representatives of the City Council.

CITIZEN CONCERNS/COMMENTS: Councilman Berkemeier said that the Family First Event held Saturday in the park went well and was well attended. They asked Berkemeier to relay the message to the Mayor that they were appreciative of him stopping by the event.

Amended Drug Ordinance and Policy - A draft of the amended drug ordinance and policy was distributed for review.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Drainage – Trailer Court - 16th Street Drainage – Flatrock Retention** – Discussed under Mayor’s report.
2. **Farm Contract Update** – The APC has given plat approval. This will go before the commissioners for approval on Monday.
3. **Property Adjacent to Merrill Magee** – Newhouse has invited Magee to attend a Council meeting.
4. **Waggoner Pool Study Update** – Mayor Pavey has sent a copy of the secondary study to Sheehan and Conner for review.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **BEP Signs and Schedule** - Three signs are up. The pre-bid meeting will be August 18th. Bids are due by August 28th. We are hoping to let bids at a meeting on September 15th.

Once bids are let they have 30 days to remove the structure. We hope to start the second wave Sept 25th.

2. **Economic Development Announcement** – John McCane discussed the purchase of J & M Manufacturing by Impact CNC. He said J & M chose to sell to Impact CNC due to the fact that their desire was to keep the business in Rushville. They will invest approximately 5 million in equip and expansion. They anticipate approximately 62 new jobs.
3. **Emerson Training Grant** – A draft agreement has been sent to Emerson for review.
4. **Downtown TIF** – McCane said they have been making mark ups on the downtown TIF map.
5. **Advanced Life Support Fees** – Discussed under Fire Department report.

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

ITEMS NOT KNOWN IN ADANCE: Councilman Sheehan asked if there was any progress regarding the building in the park. Mayor Pavey said that movement relies on the Lomar mapping.

ADJOURN: There was no further business to come before Council; Sheehan made a motion to adjourn. Smith seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.