

RUSHVILLE CITY COMMON COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2013
6:00 P.M.

The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 W 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m., with Bob Bridges, Brian Conner, Craig Smith, Brad Berkemeier and Brian Sheehan answering roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse, Melissa Conrad, *Rushville Republican*, and Starr Keller, WIFE.

MINUTES

Minutes of the December 18, 2012 meeting were presented for approval. Bridges made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Conner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Pavey reported the following:

- Thanked the Department Heads and their employees for the great job they did during the blizzard. He said many went above and beyond what was expected.
- Informed Council that Ron Jarman has been appointed to the Board of Works and Safety replacing Marvin Hedrick.
- Appointed Kevin Harr to the Historic Board to replace Al Hodge.
- Appointed Bill Herdrich to the Redevelopment Commission to replace Ashley Stiers.
- Upcoming Council appointments are the Utility Board member which expires June 30, and the Library Board appointment expires July 20.
- Asked that no vehicles park in the downtown area tonight. On Thursday morning beginning at 2:00 a.m. the Street Department will be removing snow.
- We have received discovery documents on the Park Restaurant law suit and the City Attorney has begun reviewing the documentation.
- The State of the City Address will be given Tuesday, January 8th at noon. If you are planning to attend please let Carla know so she can make reservations for lunch. The address will also be given Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. at the 201 Building. This will be open to the public.
- January 31-February 1 BIS Digital will be setting up the audio visual equipment in the Council Chambers.

- The deadline for applications for the ECDC Director is January 7. They are hoping to hire in February.
- Partners for Progress are working on a comprehensive survey. If anyone has anything they would like included please let us know.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT

Copley handed out yearend reports.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Amphitheater - The acts for the 2012 concert series will be announced January 31st at 7:00 p.m. at the 201 Building.

Comprehensive Plan - The Board of Works received 3 proposals. They have tabled the matter for further review.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Fire - Chief Jenkins said Andrew Connolly informed him of his retirement effective January 1, 2013. He has also been informed by Chuck Kemker that he will be retiring the first of March. He has placed an ad in the newspaper. Approximately 33 applications have been picked up. The deadline to have applications turned in is January 9, 2013. The agility test will be January 19th; the written test will be January 26th; January 28th-February 1st will be interviews. He will ask the Board of Works to hire February 5th. Jenkins said he would like to replace both firefighters at that time with the one to begin after approval by PERF and the second will not begin until March.

CITIZEN CONCERNS

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Animal Control Ordinance 2013-1 – Conner made a motion to approve Ordinance 2013-1 and the related documents. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

2013 Encumbrances – Sheehan made a motion to approve the 2013 encumbrances as presented. Bridges seconded the motion. Motion carried.

De-annexation – The Board of Works will be scheduling a public hearing for de-annexation petition filed by Lila Meyer.

Department Liaisons – Mayor Pavey asked Council if they would like to change their liaison positions or stay where they are. All Council members said they would like to continue with the department they were currently with.

Appointments – The following appointments were noted:

Alcohol Beverage Commission – Dave Payne

Park Board – Will St. John

Redevelopment Commission (Mayor’s appointment) – Bill Herdrich, John McCane, Mark Hass

Historic Board – Kevin Harr

ECDC – Bob Bridges

Solid Waste Board – Brian Conner

Fiber Board – Bob Bridges

Redevelopment Commission (Council’s appointment) – John Pavey and Ron Lienemann

Sheehan made a motion to leave all appointments for a period of one year. Bridges seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Introduction – Mayor Pavey introduced Pat Holdsworth from JTL. JTL is an engineering firm specializing in building departments, building codes, and

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code review. Holdsworth will be presenting a power point to Council in the near future.

Claims -Bridges made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There was no further business to come before Council; Bridges made a motion to adjourn. Berkemeier seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MAYOR

ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MEMBER

BRIAN G. CONNER, MEMBER

CRAIG A. SMITH, MEMBER

BRADLEY A. BERKEMEIER, MEMBER

BRIAN J. SHEEHAN, MEMBER

ATTEST:

ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER