

**RUSHVILLE CITY COMMON COUNCIL  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2007  
6:00 P.M.**

The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 W 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Chris Fields, Darrin McGowan, and Mike Pavey answered roll call. Councilman Sheehan arrived at the meeting at 6:25 p.m. Councilman Byrne was not present. Also present were City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse and Mike Selke, WIFE Radio.

**MINUTES \* \* \* \***

Minutes of the August 7, 2007 meeting were presented for approval. Fields made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR'S REPORT \* \* \* \***

Mayor Bridges reported that the fiber agreement has been signed with the County and construction should begin soon.

**CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT \* \* \* \***

Copley said the State Board of Accounts has completed their audit and will let Council know when the exit conference will be.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT \* \* \* \***

Pavey reported that there will be a concert this Saturday.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS \* \* \* \***

None.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS \* \* \* \***

None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS \* \* \* \***

**On Call Pay** – The on call pay has been a topic of confusing discussion. Bridges said after discussing it with Mitch Ripley he thought maybe we needed to add the on call pay to the base pay. There was no decision made.

*Councilman Sheehan arrived.*

**Overtime Pay Policy** – Overtime pay has also been a topic of discussion. Some departments are paid overtime if they work over 8 hours a day and some

are paid overtime after working 40 hours. Bennett said his foreman come in an hour early each day. Pavey said maybe they should be changed to salary instead of hourly pay. After lengthy discussion it was decided to set a work session with each department head next Tuesday at 6:00–8:30 p.m. at City Hall. The schedule for the work session is as follows:

6:00 Street Department  
6:30 Park Department  
6:45 Animal Control  
7:00 Fire Department  
7:30 Police Department

**Vicious Dog Ordinance/Anti-Tethering Ordinance** – These ordinances were presented for review. Comments should be directed to Councilman McGowan.

**NEW BUSINESS \* \* \* \***

**Low Cost Spay/Neuter Program** – Jamie Glandon has been investigating a low cost spay/neuter program. She has found a place out of Cincinnati that will take several animals at one time for a reduced rate. A group of animals would be taken down on one day and then they would be picked up the next day. She is also investigating a place in Bloomington, although Cincinnati is ½ hour closer. Glandon is still gathering information and will report back to Council.

**Request to Abandon Utility Right-of-Way and Make Public Transportation Right-of-Way** – Duane Newhouse asked Council to consider abandoning a utility right-of-way and make it a public transportation right-of-way. The location is the north end of Washington Street. The area is being considered for a 6-8 housing project. After lengthy discussion, Sheehan made a motion to table the matter to allow the proper authorities time to research the matter. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Tax Increment Finance Replacement** – Fields made a motion to rescind the tax increment finance replacement for Intat. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Claims** – Sheehan made a motion to approve the claims as presented. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There was no further business to come before Council, Pavey made a motion to adjourn. McGowan seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

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ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR

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CHRISTOPHER S. FIELDS, MEMBER

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DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER

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JOHN M. BYRNE, MEMBER

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BRIAN J. SHEEHAN, MEMBER

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MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER