

# MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY

**APRIL 5, 2016**

**5:30 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Board of Public Works and Safety met on the above date and time at 270 West 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Gary Cameron, Darrin McGowan, Ron Jarman, and Dr. John Williams answered roll call. Also present was City Attorney, Julie Newhouse.

**MINUTES:** Cameron made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2016 meeting as presented. Jarman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** Mayor Pavey reported the following:

1. There was a meeting last week regarding 16<sup>th</sup> Street. R.L. Coons presented a proposal to the problem. It was forwarded on to Butler Fairman for review. BF recommended that Coon begin the process to make the repair.
2. House Bill 1001 and Senate Bill 67 is a new road bill that will be returning monies to communities. There will be specific guidelines to follow, and 75% will have to be used for paving.

**CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT:** None.

## **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

**Street** – Commissioner Miller said heavy trash will be picked up the week of April 25-29. The dump site will also be free that week.

**Animal** – Warden Moran said intake for the year is 101 and euthanasia is at 3.

They are now connected to fiber.

Moran presented a program today at Little Stars Academy.

**Park** – Director Gurley informed the Board that Brenntag will install the chemical tank Friday, weather permitting.

The pool lift has been put together. It is portable.

The pool lockers have been removed and disposed.

Gurley spoke to Chad Bowles. He is waiting on supplies to come in.

WiFi should be in the parks by mid-April.

The first phase of Safe Routes to School has been completed.

The Easter egg hunt was successful.

Pinterest Night in the Park will be April 20<sup>th</sup>. It will be a wine bottle decorating program.

46 people attended the Active Living Workshop.

**Fire** – Assistant Chief Munson handed out March reports. He informed the Board that they have switched over their reporting system.

**Police** – Chief Tucker handed out the March statistics report.

He is waiting for final approval from PERF regarding Hoeing.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS/COMMENTS:** None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. **211 North Main** – Gurley said Wickey is working on the top floor. He will continue to monitor the project.
2. **Rushville Property Revitalization Program – Review Proposals** – Eric Frye from Ara said 10 properties were advertised. Five of those were bid on and five were not.

**331 W 3<sup>rd</sup>** – An offer of \$8,200.00 was received and included an investment plan. They intend to rent after rehab is complete. The bid is greater than 90% of the appraised value. Cameron made a motion to accept the proposal. Jarman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**327 W 3<sup>rd</sup>** – An offer of \$10,000.00 was received. They will refurbish and rent the property. This also met the appraised value requirement. Williams made a motion to approve the proposal. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**414 N Harrison** – An offer of \$15,100.00 was received. This met the appraised value requirement. After rehab the property will either be sold or rented. Williams made a motion to accept the proposal. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The other 5 properties that were advertised did not meet 90% value requirements. We can re-advertise at a lower amount. Jarman made a motion to re-advertise removing the 90% value. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

3. **City Attorney Contract** – Mayor Pavey said they are wrapping up the final details.

4. **BEP Update** – Assistant Fire Chief Munson said they are putting down top soil and preparing to do the seeding on the 1<sup>st</sup> group of properties. The second set should be completed by the end of next week. We are getting ready on the 3<sup>rd</sup> set to set the pre-demo, asbestos, and pre-bid. The fourth set of properties include 114 W 4<sup>th</sup>, 628 W 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 419 W 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Joe Niedenthal Cement Blocks** – Mayor Pavey said Joe Niedenthal has contacted him requesting to purchase some of the cement blocks from the Harvey property. Williams made a motion to declare the blocks surplus materials and offer them to Niedenthal. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **Street Department Seasonal Help** – Commissioner Miller asked permission to hire Tyler Workman as a seasonal employee. He would be paid from the MVH fund at \$9.00 per hour for 24 weeks. He would like him to start April 18. McGowan made a motion to hire Workman as requested. Jarman seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **Rushville Property Revitalization Plan** – Mayor Pavey said there have been some requests to purchase some of these properties. We need to consider advertising the properties.
4. **Farm Lease (16<sup>th</sup> Street)** – Mayor Pavey asked the Board if they would like to consider a farm lease for the acreage that the City recently purchased. Jarman suggested bidding out for one year cash rent. Pavey said we will move forward.

**ITEMS NOT KNOWN IN ADVANCE:** None.

**ADJOURN:** There was no further business to come before the Board; Cameron made a motion to adjourn. McGowan seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:06 p.m.