

**MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
JANUARY 21, 2014
5:30 P.M.**

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

ROLL CALL: Gary Cameron, Darrin McGowan, and Ron Jarman answered roll call. Also present was City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse.

MINUTES: Minutes of the January 7, 2014 meeting were presented for approval. McGowan made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Jarman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: None.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT: None.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Animal – Animal Control Warden Moran reported that they have started micro chipping.

Street- Street Commissioner Miller said he is tired of the snow.

CITIZEN CONCERNS/COMMENTS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Police Department Hire** – Police Chief Tucker said they have cut the list of candidates down to 4 that the Board of Works will interview on January 28th. He said they also have 2 or 3 possible candidates for the reserve unit.
2. **424 West 1st Street Sale** – No bids were received. Newhouse said we can re-advertise for highest bid and best use of the land to the abutting land owner. McGowan made a motion to re-advertise for the highest and best use of the tract to sell to an abutting landowner; the cost to the public of maintaining the tract equals or exceeds the estimated fair market value of the tract; or it is economically unjustifiable to sell the tract under section 4 of Chapter 36-1-11.5. Jarman seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **Contracts-Housekeeping, Etc.-RFP** – Pavey said they are under review.

4. **Farm Rental-Advertised** – Bids will be presented at the next meeting.
5. **Policy and Procedure Manual** – Pavey has sent copies for review.
6. **City Attorney Contract** – Cameron made a motion to approve the City Attorney Contract for 2014. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.
7. **Contract for Services – City Donations** – The contracts have been sent for to various vendors for signatures.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **RMH Intercept Agreement** – Chief Jenkins presented an Intercept Agreement from RMH for review and possible changes or additions.
2. **Fire and Ambulance Run Reports** – Chief Jenkins said they have made 50 ambulance runs since January 1st. They have transported 34 to the hospital. In addition they have had 16 fire runs.
3. **Compensation and Benefit Committee-Police Department** – Chief Tucker said they have been discussing equipment, personnel, staffing, and hours worked. An upgrade in technology is in progress with the upgrade of radios. We are also working on procuring air cards for the vehicles. We are still working on the benefit portion of the package that we would like to present.
4. **Police Car Purchase** – Chief Tucker received quotes on a car and a SUV. Thomas Dodge Chrysler Jeep was the lowest bid on a 2014 Dodge Charger. The total cost for the car and equipment is \$27,858.00. The Humane Society has offered to pay for the retrofit of the Tahoe that we currently have for our K-9 unit. We will use the current K-9 vehicle for a trade in. McGowan made a motion to proceed with the purchase of the car from Thomas Dodge. Jarman seconded the motion. Motion carried.
5. **Police Hire Contract** – Pavey said the committee that is looking at the police benefit package has determined the need to hire a detective as a special police officer. That person will come in for 6-18 months to train one of our guys to become a detective. McGowan made a motion to start the process with a contract employee. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried with Board Member Jarman abstaining from the vote.

ADJOURN: There was no further business to come before the Board; McGowan made a motion to adjourn. Cameron seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:58 p.m.