

**RUSHVILLE CITY UNSAFE HEARING BOARD**  
**TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2004**  
**5:00 P.M.**

The Unsafe Hearing Board met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m., with Chris Fields and Mike Pavey answering roll call. Toby Gilliam was not present. Also present were City Attorney, Julie Newhouse, Jan Voiles, *Rushville Republican*, and Scott Murray, WKWH.

**MINUTES \* \* \***

Minutes of the July 6, 2004 were presented for approval. Pavey made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Fields seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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

Mayor Bridges reported that he and Police Chief Fudge attended a training seminar last week regarding Crime Prevention through Code Enforcement. He said the materials they received would be valuable in addressing the citizen concerns and the formation of a "healthy neighborhood" project in Rushville.

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

A concern was receiving about Doug's Flowers' building pushing against a telephone pole and the possibility of structural damage. Bridges instructed Clark to look into the matter.

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

**517 East 5<sup>th</sup> Street** – Clark reported that he had sent out a second notice, but has had no response. Bridges then asked if anyone was present that wished to speak. There was no response. Fields made a motion to remove the building as soon as possible. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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

**721 & 725 North Morgan Street** – The residents have moved out. Bridges asked Allen Shelton to check out the property. Shelton reported that it was infested with fleas and left in disarray. Bridges said this has gone on too long and should not be inhabited until completely inspected. Pavey said it appears that the tenants are still moving out. Bennett has already sent a letter regarding the trash problem.

Fields questioned if the City could get any help from the Health Department to declare the property uninhabitable. Newhouse said that Clark should re-inspect the property and ask Reno Gosser to go along with him.

Pavey made a motion to notify the owner of these concerns and the inspection. Also asking the owner not to allow anyone to live there until after the inspection. The owner should also appear at the next meeting. If he does not appear then he may be fined. Fields seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Fields made a motion to adjourn. Pavey seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

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ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR

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CHRISTOPHER S. FIELDS, MEMBER

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TOBY GILLIAM, MEMBER

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MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER