Rushville City Common Council
Tuesday, January 18, 2011
6:00 P.M.

The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 W 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bostic called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., with Allen Shelton, Bob Bridges, Mike Buckley, Bill Goins and Cindy Humphrey answering role call. Also present were City Attorney, Ron Wilson, Melissa Conrad, Rushville Republican, and Mike Selke, WIFE Radio.

Minutes * * * *

Minutes of the January 4, 2011 meeting were presented for approval. Goins made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor’s Report * * * *

Bostic reported:
- O’Mara was the low bid on the 16th Street project.
- Bostic has met with the owner of Aaron’s and the owner of the shopping center, they are all in agreement that there will not be a stop light at 16th Street and there will not be a median put in place.
- The Valentine dance will be February 11 at the middle school. Mathews is in need of chaperones.

Clerk-Treasurer’s Report * * * *

None.

Council President’s Report * * * *

Goins praised the Departments for their hard work during the recent snow. He said there have been many good comments from the citizens.

Department Head Reports * * * *

Fire - Jenkins passed out his annual report. He also said that the Fire Department received a grant from Trane for the training center in the amount of $1,000.00.

Jenkins is asking for 3 quotes for the turn out gear that will be purchased through a grant.

He asked Council to approve a non-reverting fund for the property that will be cash rented. Goins made a motion to approve the non-reverting fund that will
be used for equipment, supplies, training, etc. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Street** – Miller said the signs for 30 mile speed have been put up on Main Street. He also said they are taking applications for the sidewalk program.

**Animal** – Nickel said he has had several residents wanting him to trap skunks, etc. He said he has checked with the State and this would require a permit and someone would also need to be trained. It was the consensus of Council that this was not something they wished to do at this time.

Nickel also said he gets several animals in the shelter that are sick and need to be put down and asked if Council would consider charging a fee for this since there are costs involved for the City. It was agreed that if someone brought in a sick animal that needed to be put down there would be a $25.00 fee.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS** * * * *

None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** * * * *

None.

**NEW BUSINESS** * * * *

**Bob Bennett, Eastern Indiana Development District** – Bob Bennett introduced himself and said that he is working for the EIDD in the area of community development. He represents 5 surrounding communities. He said he is ready to help with any concerns and funding.

**Appropriations for Flood Plain Study** – Bill Todd said he is working with the County and City to do a flood plain study. This would remove the area from Main Street to 9th Street including Memorial Park from being in a flood plain. Bridges made a motion to approve an amount not to exceed $7,000.00 from Annexation and Planning for the City’s share of the study. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Dog Tags and Adoption Fees** – Bridges said he thought we should consider raising the adoption fees; most areas are higher than we are. Goins made a motion to follow the recommendation of the Animal Control Warden and raise the adoption fees by $5.00. Bridges seconded the motion. Motion carried.
Buckley made a motion to discontinue the sale of dog & cat tags after this year. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Fee for Trash Pick Up** — Bostic appointed a committee consisting of Goins, Bridges, and Copley to review implementing a fee for City residents’ trash pick up. Humphrey asked that Carole Yend also be on this committee. Wilson will prepare an Ordinance.

**Ordinance 2011-1 Supplement to Code of Ordinances** — Goins made a motion to approve Ordinance 2011-1. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Claims** — Buckley made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There was no further business to come before Council; Bridges made a motion to adjourn. Shelton seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

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MERVYN R. BOSTIC, MAYOR               ALLEN W. SHELTON, MEMBER

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ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MEMBER              MICHAEL BUCKLEY, MEMBER

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WILLIAM R. GOINS, MEMBER               CINDRA K. HUMPHREY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER