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, Darrin McGowan, Bill Goins and Cindy Humphrey answering roll call. Councilman Buckley entered the meeting after the roll was called. Also present were City Attorney, Ron Wilson, Mike Selke, WIFE Radio, and Melissa Conrad, Rushville Republican.

MINUTES * * * *

Minutes of the September 16, 2008 meeting were presented for approval. Shelton made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Humphrey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR’S REPORT * * * *

Mayor Bostic reported the following:
- Attended the 20th anniversary for Intat. There was also a tree planting ceremony.
- Attended a ribbon cutting ceremony for Therapeutic Horseback Riding.
- Handed out information for review regarding the North Industrial Park.
- Presented information from Downey insurance for review.
- Downtown Façade Project – The list of architects has been cut to 3 companies. The references are now being checked.
- Board of Works accepted the resignation of Park Department employee Chris Philpot and hired Brian Crabtree to fill the position of Philpot.
- Garry Cooley gave an update to the City Council on the Rush County Community Foundation. Cooley thanked the City for their continued support.

CLERK-TREASURER’S REPORT * * * *

Copley asked Council to consider Transfer Resolution 2008-13 transferring monies in the Park & Recreation budget. Buckley made a motion to approve the Transfer Resolution. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT’S REPORT * * * *

Goins handed out information from Humana regarding possible insurance for retirees and their spouses. There would be no cost to the City.

Goins informed Council that they will be interviewing prospective architects for the downtown façade project the week of October 22.
DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS * * * *

Police – Cameron asked Council to consider an amendment to the parking ordinance. There would be no parking on the West side of Pearl Street between Water and First Streets Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. There would also be no parking at any time on the West side of Pearl Street from First Street to Second Street. Goins made a motion to approve the amendment to the parking ordinance, Ordinance 2008-11. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CITIZEN CONCERNS * * * *

Stephanie Messer – Approached the Council regarding her shop on Main Street. She said Bill Todd told her that the area was not zoned for a tattoo parlor. Todd asked for direction from Council. He said the zoning ordinance says “personal and professional services”. He said it should be more specific. Messer said that the previous area she was in was on West 2nd Street and was zoned as the downtown business district. Buckley said he thought this would be included as personal and professional services. It was determined that this will need to go back to the Area Plan Commission for amendment to include the definition for personal and professional services.

Joe Rathz – Rathz said he had e-mailed the Police Chief regarding information for accidents for 2nd and Jackson Streets, where a five way stop is being considered. Rathz asked when he could expect a response from the Police Chief. Cameron stated that this was something that the State was recommending. Cameron said he would provide names of the people from the State to Rathz.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS * * * *

Salary Ordinance 2008-7 – Goins made a motion to approve the Salary Ordinance 2008-7 on third reading. Buckley seconded the motion. Motion carried with McGowan opposing the vote. McGowan said he would like it to go on record that the reason he voted “nay” was because the pay raise for the pool managers was more than for the full time employees.

NEW BUSINESS * * * *

Historic Board Appointment – Bostic said he would like to appoint Richard Hampton, 538 North Perkins Street to the historic board. Goins made a motion to approve the appointment of Hampton. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.
Parade Route — Buckley said there was confusion on the parade route and asked that the City officials be notified if there was going to be a change. Goins said it was on the radio. Bostic said he would make sure to notify the Council in the future.

Claims — Buckley made a motion to pass the claims as presented. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried. Buckley abstained from voting on the claims regarding his salary.

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

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

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DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, 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