The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 W 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Chris Fields, John Byrne, Brian Sheehan, and Mike Pavey answered roll call. Darrin McGowan was not present. Also present was City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse.

MINUTES * * *

Minutes of the November 6, 2006 meeting were presented for approval. Byrne made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR’S REPORT * * *

Mayor Bridges reported the following:

- IDEM sent notification on 11/14/06 that Roger Cain, 4629 W SR 44, has filed a notice of intent for a Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation at the referenced location. If you have questions or comments I have the contact person at IDEM and their phone number.
- I attended the 4th Annual Logistics Summit in Indianapolis last week. I found it to be extremely informative. We were introduced to many new trends, not only in the trucking industry, but rail and inter-modal transportation. One of the sessions focused on the new Honda plant in Greensburg.
- A Hometown Gathering to discuss property taxes, the future of local government and solutions that will make a difference will be held next Wednesday evening at Greensburg City Hall, 314 W Washington Street at 6:30 p.m. I thing this will be a very informative presentation on what local government is facing with the new way the state is assessing property and distributing tax revenue.
- I would like to take this opportunity to wish all a very “Happy Thanksgiving.”

CLERK-TREASURER’S REPORT * * *

None.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT REPORT * * *

Attended an ag zoning meeting with Brad Buening.
Riverside park committees have been meeting and are talking to the Carmel Symphony.

None.

None.

Annexation Claims - Sheehan made a motion to approve the annexation claims as presented. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Traffic Plan - Council gave a favorable recommendation for a developer's road plan at the intersection of 140 North and State Road 3.

Reserve Officers Awards - 5 year awards were given to Reserve Officers Jim Street, Gary Cameron, and Chuck McMichael.

Policy & Procedure Manual and Wage Study - Mitch Ripley gave a presentation on preparing an updated policy and procedure manual and a wage study for the City. Ripley said regarding the policy manual he would hold 2 or 3 meetings with the Department Heads, the Mayor, and Clerk-Treasurer. He would collect job descriptions for the wage study and work on a comparison with surrounding communities and also with like size communities.

Sheehan asked if they offer a maintenance program for the two projects. Ripley said they ordinarily do not, but if that was what the City wanted they would consider it.

Sheehan made a motion to accept the offer for the Policy & Procedure Manual and also the Wage Study. Fields seconded the motion. Motion carried.
GIS Bids – The following bids were received for GIS:

1. GEO Design Solutions - $32,500.00
2. WTH Engineering - $30,000.00
3. Schneider Engineering - incomplete

Pavey made a motion to table the bids for review. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Fuel Bids – There was one bid received for fuel from Ag One. The bid was as follows:

92 octane = 2.159
89 octane = 2.059
87 octane = 1.959
diesel = 2.119 at station
diesel = 2.269 delivered

Sheehan made a motion to accept the bid from Ag One. Pavey said he would like to see the Utilities included if possible. Fields seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mulch Grinding – Bennett said he had spoken with Tri-State Forestry Service regarding grinding yard waste and small limbs into mulch. He said it would cost $600.00 per hour and take about 9 hours. He would like to take the money from Sanitation Non-Reverting. Byrne made a motion to approve Tri-State Forestry grinding the materials into mulch. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Non-Smoking Request – Sheehan said he had been approached by a couple of people regarding the non-smoking request. He said he thought the community should voice their opinion to the businesses that they frequented. Byrne said he didn’t think the City should tell businesses whether or not they could permit smoking, that it should be the decision of the business. Sheehan moved to table the non-smoking request. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Transfer Resolution 2006-26 – Sheehan made a motion to approve Transfer Resolution 2006-26. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Transfer Resolution 2006-27 – Byrne made a motion to approve Transfer Resolution 2006-27. Fields seconded the motion. Motion carried.
Resolution 2006-28 & 29 To Provide Municipal Water and Wastewater Service Within the North Industrial Park - Greg Griffin asked Council to Consider Resolutions to provide water and wastewater service within the North Industrial Park. With approval of the Resolutions this will move the matter along as a Shovel Ready Site. After lengthy discussion, Byrne made a motion to approve Resolutions 2006-28 & 2006-29. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried with Councilman Sheehan voting “nay”.

ECDC Japan Trip - Griffin asked Council to provide $1,900.00 to pay for the overage of the Japan trip. Pavey, having gone on the trip, said he thought this was something that should be allowed in the City budget for future trips. Sheehan said he thought the trip was worthwhile, but did not want to see this happen every year. Byrne said he would like to see some type of detailed report on the trip. Byrne then made a motion to pay the overage of $1,900.00 for the trip provided the Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer could find the money in the budget. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried with Pavey abstaining from the vote.

Claims - Byrne made a motion to approve all claims as presented. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There was no further business to come before Council, Pavey made a motion to adjourn. Sheehan seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.