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, Mike Buckley, Bill Goins and Cindy Humphrey answering roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Ron Wilson, and Melissa Conrad, Rushville Republican.

**MINUTES * * * * **

Minutes of the December 2, 2008 meeting were presented for approval. Goins made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR’S REPORT * * * * **

Mayor Bostic reported the following:

- After about 11 years the Council chambers has new paint, carpet, and new chairs.
- Bostic, Copley, and Goins have visited Intat, Fujitsu Ten, and Copeland to offer them our support.

**CLERK-TREASURER’S REPORT * * * * **

Copley asked the Department Heads to have all of their bills into her office by noon on December 24th. Asked for 3 Council members to come in and approve the final docket on December 30th. Shelton, Goins, and Buckley volunteered to approve the claims.

Copley also reminded the Department Heads to let her know before the end of the year anything they would like to encumber for 2009.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT’S REPORT * * * * **

Goins said the response from the factories has been good and all of the news they have heard is not bad news.

He said he is will be setting up a time to meet with the Library Board to discuss issues they are having.

**Redevelopment Appointments** – Goins said the Council’s appoints were up and he made a motion to appoint Kevin Snyder to replace John McCane and to re-appoint John Pavey. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.
ECDC Appointment – Shelton made a motion to appoint Bill Goins to the ECDC Board. Buckley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS * * * *

Police – The Board of Works accepted the resignation of Tracy Dice.

Park – Mathews said he is having problems with the furnace at the park office, and asked Council’s permission to install infrared tube heaters. He said he has $5,700.00 in summer help that he would like to transfer to building maintenance. He has a proposal from J.R. Wortman for $5,095.00. Buckley made a motion to approve the transfer and to install the tube heaters. Humphrey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Animal – Jarman passed out an annual report.

CITIZEN CONCERNS * * * *

None.

PUBLIC HEARING * * * *

Bostic opened the meeting for a public hearing regarding the proposed amendment to the zoning ordinance to allow a special exception for a tattoo parlor. Bostic asked for any comments or questions from the public. There were none. Buckley made a motion to close the public hearing. Goins seconded the motion. The public hearing was closed.

McGowan made a motion to approve the amendment to the zoning ordinance with the addition of body modification being added along with tattoo parlor. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS * * * *

None.

NEW BUSINESS * * * *

Resolution 2008-18 Adding Monies Back to Appropriations – Buckley made a motion to approve resolution 2008-18. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried.
Claims — Goins made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Buckley seconded the motion and abstained from voting on the claims regarding his salary. Motion carried with Humphrey and McGowan voting nay. Humphrey said she would like to go on record that she talked to Cameron regarding the mileage claim for Cale Worley in the amount of $898.56 to go to the academy. She said she was not sure how it happened, but Worley drove his personal vehicle and it was quite an expense to the City. She said that that should be looked into in the future and that a City vehicle should be driven instead of a personal vehicle. Buckley said he didn’t think there was a vehicle available to drive. Humphrey stated that she thought there was one available. Cameron said he would take responsibility for this. He said Copley had asked him about this and that he thought it probably cost the city approximately $350.00 more for him to drive his own vehicle, but by the same token the car he would have driven has 97,000 miles and if had broken down would have cost more than $300.00. Humphrey asked if there was a car available, and Cameron stated that there was.

Goins said that he thought next year would be a difficult year financially and that we all need to make sure we share any information to keep everyone informed and to work together through this.

Bostic gave Council a long term control plan from IDEM regarding Combined Sewer for their review.

There was no further business to come before Council, Goins made a motion to adjourn. Buckley seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.