MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA
COMMON COUNCIL
DECEMBER 3, 2013
6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: The City of Rushville Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE TO FLAG: The Pledge to the Flag was recited by those present.

PRAYER: Councilman Berkemeier led those present in prayer.

ROLL CALL: Bob Bridges, Brian Conner, Craig Smith, Brad Berkemeier, and Brian Sheehan answered roll call. Also present were Jessica Miller, the Legislative Body Youth Advisor; Julie Newhouse, City Attorney; and Frank Denzler, Rushville Republican.

MINUTES: Minutes of the November 19, 2013 meeting were presented for approval. Bridges made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Conner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT:
Mayor Pavey reported the following:
1. Christmas on Main was well attended.
2. I have requested letters of support for Phase 1 and 2 of the Rushville Industrial Corridor. These will be submitted to INDOT.
3. The marketing group met. Councilman Sheehan will be the presenter at the next meeting on December 9 at 6:00 p.m. here in the Council chambers.
4. On the 17th there will be a pre-construction meeting for the Highway 52 project at Greenfield.
5. Asked if we need to have an additional meeting after the 17th. It was agreed that we do not need a meeting, but will have a final claim docket.
6. They are putting in sanitary sewer lines on 16th Street.
7. Gave a presentation to the Commissioners on the Rails to Trails. We are hoping to have an answer back from them on the 16th.
8. We visited with McQueary Block as one of final business visits.
9. You will be seeing fencing and equipment on the Harvey property in preparation for demolition.
10. We gave a presentation to the Commissioners in regard to the BZA and APC. We will continue to meet.
11. We have the ADA report in a rough draft form. It will be emailed to our local ARC Chapter for review. I expect to be ready for adoption by the end of January.
12. The Comprehensive Plan grant was awarded. The documents were signed today.
13. At the next meeting we will have a presentation by Jessica Miller called Rachel's Challenge.
14. Advised Council to start thinking about their appointments for the end of year.

CLERK-TREASURER’S REPORT: Clerk-Treasurer Copley informed Council that she would like to have any encumbrances for 2014 before the next meeting.

She asked Council to consider Resolution 2013-14 transferring a portion of the certified shares revenue to the MVH Fund. Sheehan made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-14. Berkemeier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT’S REPORT: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:
1. Amphitheater/Park’s Board – Kevin Snyder offered to pay for one of the opening acts.
2. Comprehensive Plan – We are moving forward.
3. Trash Sub Committee – Have sent for RFP’s. Still waiting on one response on the logo.
4. Employee Benefit/City Policy –
5. APC/BZA – Building Code –
6. Marketing –

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:
Police – Mayor Pavey welcomed Chief Tucker back.

Tucker said they will be taking applications until Friday of this week. He said they will consider extending that by another week.

Tucker thanked Council for acting on his recommendation to purchase additional tasers.

Tucker also said he appreciated the support of the department while he has been off. He said they have picked up the slack in his absence. He said with his accident there have been other problems that they will need to address. He said we will need to work together to find solutions. He said they need to address how to handle daily activities when someone is gone.

Fire – Chief Jenkins said congratulations to Assistant Chief Munson on the arrival of his first grandchild.
The Fire Department received $1,000.00 grant from Wal-Mart for smoke detectors and batteries.

Jenkins met with John Livingston from Varmit Guard in regard to the bird problem downtown.

Jenkins also passed out a handout explaining the Ambulance billing for elected officials.

Street – Commissioner Miller said he will be attending a levee conference in Louisville.

Park – Park Director Mathews said he received a grant in the amount of $4,450.00 from the Rush County Community Foundation for the Laughlin park shelter. The money is for a furnace and air conditioning. The shelter will now be available to rent on a year round basis. Mathews said he wanted to thank the Street Department for their work. Mathews said due to them doing the work it really saved a lot of money. He invited Council to the next Park Board meeting next Tuesday at 6:15 at the Shelter.

Utility - Les Day handed out a copy of the Utility budget for review.

Day informed Council of the results of the Waste Water improvement bids as follows:

PAE & Associates Incorporated: $3.772 million
Thienemam Construction Incorporated: $3.808 million
Building Crafts Incorporated: $3.822 million
Kokosing Construction: $4,040 million

The bid was awarded to PAE & Associates.

Total price for the entire project is $5.287 million including administrative, legal, etc.

CITIZEN CONCERNS/COMMENTS: Mayor Pavey said there is a sign on North Harrison Street that we might need to relocate in regard to blocking a drive.

Pavey said he has had some complaints about a corvette parked in front of old Salvation Army building. He said he would discuss this with INDOT since it is on Main Street.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
1. Resolution 2013-11 Food and Beverage Tax-Development of Supporting Data – The resolution was approved at the last meeting. The document was presented for signatures.

NEW BUSINESS:
1. Ordinance 2013-26 – Establishment of Non-Reverting Fund Ambulance – Bridges made a motion to approve Ordinance 2013-26 subject to adding salaries to the Ordinance. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.
Councilman Bridges said that he appreciated the professionalism Chief Jenkins has showed during this process. He said he was impressed by the fact that what was presented from the beginning is what we are doing.

2. **Ordinance 2013-27 – Creating Emergency Medical Services and Fees** – Bridges made a motion to approve Ordinance 2013-27. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

3. **Ordinance 2013-23 – Amending Salary Ordinance** – Conner made a motion to approve Ordinance 2013-23 Amending the Salary Ordinance. Bridges seconded the motion. Motion carried.

4. **Letter of Support-Cherry Street “Rushville Industrial Corridor”**- Council signed a letter of support for the Rushville Industrial Corridor.

5. **Resolution 2013-12** - Bridges made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-12 that the City of Rushville is expressing an Interest in the purchase of specific real estate. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

6. **Ordinance 2013-29 ADA** – The Ordinance was previously approved and was presented for signature.

**CLAIMS APPROVAL:** Sheehan made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Conner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**ITEMS NOT KNOWN IN ADVANCE:** Mayor Pavey said we have been asked by Milroy to allow our redevelopment board to oversee a new TIF district in Milroy.

Jessica Miller said the Student Council is getting ready for the Holiday Fair and Rachel’s Challenge.

**ADJOURN:** There was no further business to come before Council; Sheehan made a motion to adjourn. Bridges seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.