The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., with Chris Fields, Darrin McGowan, and Mike Pavey answering roll call. Councilmen Byrne and Sheehan entered later in the meeting. Also present were City Attorney, Julie Newhouse, and Frank Denzler, Rushville Republican.

MINUTES * * *

Minutes of the February 21, 2006 meeting were presented for approval. Pavey made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR’S REPORT* * *

None.

PRESENTATION BY RUSH RENEWABLE ENERGY, ICE MILLER, AND H.J. UMBAUGH CONCERNING THE ETHANOL PLANT* * *

Bob Rieling gave a brief description of Rush Renewable Energy. Gary Malone, from H.J. Umbaugh, gave an explanation of financing tools and specifics for this transaction. Buddy Downs, from Ice Miller, gave a presentation of the procedures and legal aspects of the transaction.

JOINT MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL, REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AND AREA PLAN COMMISSION* * *

The purpose of the joint meeting was for the Redevelopment Commission to adopt a declaratory resolution regarding the ethanol plant. The Area Plan Commission was to adopt an order approving the declaratory resolution. The City Council was to approve the resolution of the Redevelopment Commission and the order of the Area Plan Commission.

The City Council recessed briefly while the Redevelopment Commission met and passed the Declaratory Resolution unanimously. The Area Plan Commission then met and unanimously passed an Order determining that a declaratory resolution was approved and adopted.
The City Council then reconvened. Pavey made a motion to approve the resolution of the Redevelopment Commission and the Order of the Area Plan Commission. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR’S REPORT**

None.

**CLERK-TREASURER’S REPORT**

None.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT REPORT**

Pavey said he is waiting on Bill Todd to set up a meeting on the compatible use zone.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

None.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS**

Councilman McGowan said he had a concern regarding the new truck route. He stated that there are deep ruts where the trucks have gone off the road and thought maybe the road needed to be wider. It will be directed to the safety committee.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Extend the Subsurface Warranty on US 52** - Jeff Peters gave a brief summary of the request to extend the subsurface warranty in the newly annexed area. Fields made a motion to approve the 3 year warranty. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 4-1 vote. Councilman Pavey voted against the extended warranty.

**Amendment to MD Wessler Contract** - Jeff Peters presented an amendment to MD Wessler’s contract in the total amount of $21,000.00, which would be paid
for through grant monies. Fields made a motion to approve the amendment. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Fiber Update** - A meeting will be set up with the County to discuss further financing of the fiber project.

**NEW BUSINESS** * * *

**Vinyl Therm Statement of Benefits** - Keith Ison asked Council to consider the Statement of Benefits for Vinyl Therm. McGowan moved to approve the Statement of Benefits. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Abrams Statement of Benefits** - Jim Abrams asked Council to consider the Statement of Benefits for Abrams Trucking. Sheehan made a motion to approve the Statement of Benefits. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Ordinance 2006-4 P&R** - Sheehan made a motion to approve the Ordinance regarding vendors at Riverside Park. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried with Councilman Fields voting “no”.

**Ordinance 2006-5 P&R** - Sheehan made a motion to approve the Ordinance regarding park hours, no smoking in park facilities, no metal detectors or digging, and no motorbikes or vehicles in parks. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Economic Development Commission Appointment** - Fields nominated Brian Humphrey as the appointment of Council. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried. Sheehan moved to nominate Jim Abrams as the alternate. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried. The Mayor’s appointment is Brian Bess. The County will also have an appointment.

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

There was no further business to come before Council, Fields made a motion to adjourn. Pavey seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.
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DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER                              JOHN M. BYRNE, MEMBER
BRIAN J. SHEEHAN, MEMBER                               MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER
ATTEST:

ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER