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 6:10 p.m., with Chris Fields, Darrin McGowan, John Byrne, Brian Sheehan and Mike Pavey answering roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Julie Newhouse and Elizabeth Gist, Rushville Republican.

MINUTES * * *

Minutes of the April 4, 2006 meeting were presented for approval. Sheehan made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Fields seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR’S REPORT * * *

Bridges reported the following:

- Passed out a flyer concerning a meeting for Building Better Communities on April 19, 2006 at 6:00 p.m.
- The Board of Works hired Richard Tracy as the new fireman.

CLERK-TREASURER’S REPORT * * *

Copley reported that she has completed the paperwork for the City credit card. She informed the Department Heads that each would have a $1,000.00 limit; there will be a $10.00 annual fee for each department. It will be up to each department head to take care of any taxes before using the card.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT REPORT * * *

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS * * *

Safety Committee - Tim Williams reported the following on behalf the Safety Committee:

Conducted a survey for a 4-way stop at 5th & Arthur Street. There were no significant traffic or speeding problems. The Committee recommended denying the request.
Approved to make the east west alley on the east side of the 500 block of N Perkins one way east between N Perkins. The north south alley will not change.

Recommended to prohibit student parking between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. (Newhouse will check for legalities) in the following areas: 1100-1200 blocks of N Harrison St, 1200-1300 blocks of N Park Boulevard, Harrison & Park Boulevard from West 11th to West 14th Streets, 200-300 blocks of West 11th Street south side, 200 block West 12th Street from Morgan to Harrison, 200 block of West 13th from N Morgan to Park Blvd.

Planning an inventory of handicap parking and time restricted parking signs to be completed over the summer.

Survey for signage at Sugar Hill in the area of Zona, Diane and Cathy Court.

Sheehan moved to approve the recommendations of the safety committee. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS * * *

Street – Bennett informed Council that the Board of Works gave him permission to advertise for summer help.

CITIZEN CONCERNS * * *

Danny Bennett has had some concerns from Ed Pribble in the newly annexed area in regard to the drive way off of a gravel drive. The address is 1471 South State Road 3. It is the corner property on State Road 3 and Robin Way. Pribble is requesting that the City maintain the stone drive. Bennett said the Street Department has been there 4 times with gravel. The City Council had agreed at an earlier meeting that the drive would be a City alley and not a drive.

Pribble asked, “where does the alley stop?”

Bridges said it actually stops in the field and at the end of Robin Way. He said Robin Way is no part of the alley. The people who live on Robin Way have a perpetual easement to use the drive to get to and from the highway; they cannot be restricted from driving there.

Jeff Peters, from M.D. Wessler said that Robin Way is not in the annexed area.
Pavey made a motion too draw up an ordinance describing the alley which is to be served by the City adjacent to Robin Way. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 4-0 vote, Councilman Fields opposed the motion.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Fiber Update - Randy Frye said they are proceeding with getting forms filled out from the businesses. He said they are waiting on negotiations with the City and County before moving forward. Frye asked if the permits have been applied for. Pavey said they have not.

Annexation Claims/ Change Orders - Sarah Altizer reviewed the 3 change orders. Phase A = savings of just under $14,000.00
Phase B = savings of approximately $7,500.00
Phase C = an addition of $3,826.00

She also passed out an anticipated time line for the well.

Byrne made a motion to approve the 3 change orders. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Copley presented annexation claims in the amount of $482,495.64. Byrne made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Fields seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Request for Permit for Riverside Park - Pam Leisure asked Council for permission for the Chamber in conjunction with Flatrock Grill and Greenfield Beverage Company to purchase a permit for a beer garden for concerts at the amphitheater on May 20, August 4, and September 30.

Byrne said he thinks a policy needs to be written with specific guidelines, which would include a sworn police officer in attendance and no carry-in liquor allowed. Newhouse said we should also have a letter from the insurance stating that sponsors are covered.
Sheehan made a motion to approve the permit and leave it open in case someone else would like to do the same at another concert after approval by the Mayor. Motion died for lack of second.

Pavey made a motion to approve the alcohol permit for the 3 dates requested and to require in writing that the alcohol is supplied by an approved vendor. There will be sworn police presence and the Chamber will get answers to the insurance questions. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Amend Credit Card Ordinance - Byrne made a motion to approve the amendment to the credit card ordinance. The ordinance is 2006-6 amending 2002-13. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Amend Salary Ordinance - Byrne made a motion to approve the amendment to the salary ordinance. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried. The amendment allows for the pool co-managers to be paid $10.00 per hour, and summer help to be paid $5.40 - $9.00 subject to qualifications. This ordinance is 2006-7 and amends Ordinance 2005-15.

Compatible Use Zone - Bill Todd presented a map for the compatible use zone. The Area Plan Commission will hold a public hearing. After lengthy discussion Pavey made a motion to approve the map as presented. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Update Rush Renewable Energy - Greg Griffin said they have filed for the IDEM permit. Money has been drawn down on 2 of 3 properties.

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

There was no further business to come before Council, Sheehan made a motion to adjourn. McGowan seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.