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 Cindy Humphrey, Allen Shelton, Mike Buckley, Darrin McGowan and Bill Goins answering roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Ron Wilson and Mike Selke, WIFE Radio.

MINUTES * * * *

Minutes of the June 2, 2009 meeting were presented for approval. Goins made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. McGowan seconded. Motion carried.

MAYOR’S REPORT * * * *

Mayor Bostic reported:

- Hired Winston/Terrell Group – go after grants for 100% with no matching funds
- Reported Richard Malcom has resigned from Unsafe Hearing Board.
- Appointed Roger Rosfeld to Unsafe Hearing Board
- Re-appointed Tim Sheehan to Utility Service Board

Announced Maureen Leisure on behalf of Changing Footprints was present to address the Council: passed out letter with information about this mission. They are in need of building to house, store, sort, clean and pack shoes. This mission is very close to her heart and wishes to keep it locally. They need a building donated or could lease for $1.00 since they have no budget. Council recommended a few empty buildings that she could look into. Leisure thanked the council for their time.

CLERK TREASURER’S REPORT * * * *

None

COUNCIL PRESIDENT’S REPORT * * * *

Goins informed council yesterday was the biggest day for attendance at the Waggoner Community Pool. Goins praised the staff for doing a job well done. Although the pool open a little late; things are running great.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS * * * *

Police - Chief Cameron passed out a sheet of Specialty Pay for the upcoming budget. Also informed council he has an officer that has passed the pre-
qualification testing for Firearm’s Instructor. He will be attending the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy this October for the instructor course and hopes to have someone qualified for Firearm’s Instructor by January 2010.

Discussed the issues with the roof at Police Department. Cost from $48,000.00 to $55,000.00 range. Could be done in two phases: 1) front and lower section one year 2) high section (rear garage) another year. Stressed that something needs to be done to preserve this building. There is not enough money in this year’s budget but might be able to come up with amount to repair the flu. Cameron mentioned he put $55,000.00 in the budget for next year. Mayor stated that he would have Ron, John Mull, Bill Goins and himself to check into this matter at a later date and report back to Council.

Cameron also reported on the COPS grant. Still have not received word on it. Money is available under the JAG grant. These monies can be used to for patrol cars, radio equipment, etc. Officer Tucker and Robin Winston (Winston-Terrell Group) hopefully can get together in the future on available grants.

Introduced Officer Brent Horton to the City Council. Mentioned he is in the FTO program doing well.

Fire – none

Street - Miller passed out pamphlets for Council to look at patcher for coal patching for the Street Department. Cost for new is $55,900.00. Decatur County has a used one that they are selling for $18,000.00. Miller is requesting the council’s approval to add this into his 2010 budget. After discussion Goins made a motion to approve purchase. Shelton seconded. Motion carried. Miller got ok to cut trees and clean out area west of railroad on Spencer Street.

Humphrey wanted to thank the Street and Police department for their quick response to her house with possible flooding. Although it did not reach her home she wanted to thank the departments for responding.

Park – none


CITIZEN CONCERN * * * *

Dick Malcom came before board to thank them for stop sign that was placed out by his residence. Has helped slow traffic in that area.
NEW BUSINESS ** * * *

Mary Maple 1027 North Main appeared before the board to get approval to re-zone for a beauty salon in her residence. Bill Todd Area Plan Commissioner told her to come before city council to get their input on this issue. Todd informed the council the zoning at this property is R1 Main Street Corridor on West Side of Main South of 11th Street stop light. Also in historic district. City zoning ordinance under permitted uses of the R1 zone include home occupations. Doesn’t appear to be a definition of home occupations in the ordinance. Question is do you consider a one chair beauty shop to be a home occupation. If council agrees that this is a home occupation (Todd) has no problem in processing her request. Todd further mentioned he thought the zoning ordinance years ago was to restrict outside activities in the residential zone.

There are other beauty salons within the residential area now but have been there for years and are grandfathered in. Another appeared by Board of Zoning appeals and received permission but restrictions were placed on site. (parking, time of operation, etc.).

McGowan asked if the neighbors had been contacted and Maple said no because she was told this is the first stop; so no need to ask if it can’t be done. McGowan also asked if the historic board had been informed and she said no she herself (Maple) did not realize this location was in historic district. Maple told council she gets along with neighbors and customers would be by appointment only and didn’t think parking would be a problem. Also State of Indiana governs the amount of footage and number of chairs per footage. Stated she has no intention of adding another chair. Buckley made a motion for home occupation to include beauty salon. Goins seconded. Motion carried with McGowan opposing. McGowan stated he thought more investigation need to be done and the neighbors needed to be contacted.

Allen Shelton, Darrin McGowan, Mike Beard, Jr. and Bill Todd will review the zoning ordinances.

Claims – Humphrey made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Buckley seconded. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Council; Goins made a motion to adjourn. Shelton seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.
WILLIAM R. GOINS, MEMBER       CINDRA K. HUMPHREY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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MARCIA E. FISH, DEPUTY CLERK TREASURER