RUSHVILLE CITY COMMON COUNCIL
TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2009
6:00 P.M.

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. Mike Selke, WIFE Radio, and Melissa Conrad, Rushville Republican.

MINUTES * * * *

Minutes of the May 19, 2009 meeting were presented for approval. Shelton made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR’S REPORT * * * *

Mayor Bostic reported:

- Attended a meeting with Tom Barnes in Muncie for the Homeland Security Planning Committee. The Mayor’s appointment to the committee is Chuck Jenkins and the County’s appointment is Tim Williams.
- He will be meeting with Butler Fairman and the School Board this evening to discuss right of way for 16th Street.
- Traveled to Lawrenceburg with Bill Goins to discuss obtaining funding for a water tower for the North Industrial Park.
- Met with Trena Carter from ARa regarding the downtown façade grant. There are 12 businesses interested.
- Will be out of town June 10-12 to attend a Mayor’s Roundtable Conference.

CLERK-TREASURER’S REPORT * * * *

Copley reminded the Department Heads that they need to have their budgets in to her no later than Friday, June 12th.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT’S REPORT * * * *

Goins said we all need to continue looking into the stimulus monies. He is trying to get a meeting set up with Senator Leising, Cleo Duncan, and Bob Cherry. After the session is over hopefully they can also meet with the Council.
DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS * * * *

Street – Miller has been working with Work One and they will be furnishing 2 people to work for them for 6 weeks. Their salaries will be paid through Work One.

Miller said he is also working on getting stimulus monies to pave Harcourt Way, Benjamin Street and Fort Wayne Road.

Park – Mathews said he is hopeful to be able to open the pool this Thursday.

They have started on the basketball courts and hope to be completed before Relay for Life.

CITIZEN CONCERNS * * * *

Bev Buhler came before Council representing Voice for Christ Church. Buhler asked Council to reconsider the 3 way stop that was recently put up. She said that immediately after you pull out of the church lot you have to stop again. She suggested putting in speed bumps instead. She said the church was not notified of the 3 way stop sign. Bostic said that 2 Council members did a survey in the area, but did not know who to contact for the church and the majority of residents wanted the 3 way stop. Bostic said it was also advertised in the newspaper.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS * * * *

None.

NEW BUSINESS * * * *

Amphitheater Restrooms – Gary Cameron said the next steps for the restrooms were the masonry walls, electric, and roofing. He asked Council’s permission to use the remainder of the money in the budget to move forward. Humphrey made a motion to move forward with the construction of the restrooms. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Budget Request 2010 – Mike Pavey informed Council of some of the items left to do at the amphitheater and asked Council to consider leaving their budget
item at the same amount for next year. The money would be used to complete the restrooms and for maintenance.

**Mowing Fees** – Jenkins said he and Danny Mathews have been discussing the fees for mowing overgrown properties. Jenkins said in their opinion it would be better to assess a flat fee for mowing and cleaning up properties. The suggestion was a flat fee of $300.00 each time the property is mowed. They hoped this would help with compliance. Jenkins said that approximately 80%-85% are vacant properties. Goins made a motion to change the fee to a flat fee of $300.00 per occurrence. Buckley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Claims** – Humphrey made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried with Buckley abstaining from voting on the claims regarding his salary.

There was no further business to come before Council; Buckley made a motion to adjourn. Shelton seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

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MERVYN R. BOSTIC, MAYOR      ALLEN W. SHELTON, MEMBER

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DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER    MICHAEL BUCKLEY, MEMBER

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WILLIAM R. GOINS, MEMBER      CINDRA K. HUMPHREY, MEMBER
ATTEST:

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ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER