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, Brian Sheehan, and Mike Pavey answering roll call. Councilman Byrne was not present. Also present were City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse, Scott Murray, WKWH, and Starr Shuppert, Rushville Republican.

MINUTES * * *

Minutes of the June 7, 2005 meeting were presented for approval. Sheehan made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR’S REPORT * * *

Mayor Bridges reported the following to Council:

- INDOT will be holding a public hearing on the SR3 project on Thursday, July 14 at 6:00 pm in the RCHS cafeteria. If attending you should enter at the northwest entrance.
- IACT is requesting all members to participate in a new program. It is the “grassroots” campaign which will offer cities and towns the ability to implement non-property tax revenue sources and provide flexibility to local elected officials. The cost is 7 cents per resident or $419.65. Each of you have received a handout.
- Received a letter from our city attorney. We have no fines in the truck parking or skateboard ordinance. The only penalty in the skateboard ordinance is to confiscate the skateboard. I believe this should be amended and a fine attached to both offences. Sheehan made a motion for the skateboard ordinance to confiscate the skateboard as the first offense for a period of 72 hours. The second offense is a $10.00 fine. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried. After lengthy discussion it was decided to leave the truck ordinance as it is, which would be a $25.00 fine per 24 hour period.

CLERK-TREASURER’S REPORT * * *

Copley informed Council she will need some type of number to consider for salaries for 2006 by the next meeting. Sheehan said after working on the wage
study he found that the city is below the average for this size city by about 10-15% and he would like to start out aiming for a higher number.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

Pavey expressed his appreciation to all those involved with the recent concert. He also urged anyone that had any ideas for improvement to please pass those along to him.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Fields reported on the Redevelopment Commission. He said the election of officers was held. He also said they have a deadline of July 14 to review the financial analysis.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

**Fire** - Clark reported 208 man hours logged on the INTAT fire with 132 hours being overtime.

**Street** - Bennett reported that the Board of Works hired 3 seasonal employees for the Street/Sanitation Departments.

**Park** - Mathews said the Relay for Life that was held in the park over the weekend was a great success. They raised $102,000.00.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS**

Starr Shuppert voiced her concern regarding the new truck parking ordinance. She told of an incident in her area where a resident has poured a cement pad to park his RV. She also stated that they will be going to the Area Plan to try to get a variance approved. Council agreed that this was a zoning issue that they would look into.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Annexation Claims** - Sheehan made a motion to approve the annexation claims presented. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.
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**Bane Annexation Ordinance 2005-5** - Sheehan made a motion to approve Ordinance 2005-5. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS * * ***

**Police Car Bids** - Sheehan made a motion to allow Fudge to receive bids for the purchase of 2 police cars. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried. He stated that he is working with Glenwood for the purchase of one of the vehicles the city now has.

**Public Hearing Sale of Lots at Wilson Estates** - Mayor Bridges asked for any comment from the public on the sale of the remaining lots at Wilson Estates. There were none. Sheehan made a motion to close the public hearing. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Economic Development** - Greg Griffin gave an update on activities of the ECDC through May. He also asked Council for a renewal of their contract for the budget year 2006.

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

There was no further business to come before Council, Sheehan made a motion to adjourn. Pavey seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

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