RUSHVILLE CITY COMMON COUNCIL
TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 2007
6:00 P.M.

The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 W 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. Chris Fields and Mike Pavey answered roll call. Councilman Byrne arrived at 6:25. Councilmen McGowan and Sheehan were not present. Also present were City Attorney, Julie Newhouse, and Elizabeth Gist, Rushville Republican.

MAYOR’S REPORT * * * *

Mayor Bridges reported the following:

✓ Will distribute a draft copy of the handbook to the Department Heads to review with their employees. Bridges said he is hopeful that Council can approve the final draft of the handbook by the first meeting in July. He also thought the wage study would be ready by that time too.
✓ Attended the annual district INDOT meeting on May 23rd in Greenfield. Bridges has a copy of the annual meeting agenda and the long range highway plans set for the by INDOT from 2006-2030.
✓ Received approval at the APC meeting on May 22nd for primary plat approval for Nancy Matlock for the construction of a new Wal-Mart on a 47-acre tract of land west of SR#3. The next action was the rezoning of the property from county residential and manufacturing to city commercial 2. Both petitions passed. There will be a public hearing on the rezoning of the property to C-2 at our next council meeting.
✓ On May 29th the ag zoning ordinance also passed the APC. This is a monumental step in zoning, one which was being monitored by the State of Indiana as a model zoning ordinance. I would like to thank Brad Buening and all of those who spent many hours, without compensation, to make this a reality. The next step in this process will be the passage by the Rush County Commissioners. I feel confident it will happen.

CLERK-TREASURER’S REPORT * * * *

Copley reported that the City cleared $1,861.60 on the auction.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT’S REPORT * * * *

Pavey reported that the first concert of the series will be this Saturday with a “Battle of the Bands”.

He said the attorney is putting together the wording for the billboards and hopefully that will be completed very soon.
DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS * * * *

Animal – Hill said that the Board of Works voted to hire Jamie Glandon and the new Animal Control Officer.

NEW BUSINESS * * * *

Property and Casualty Liability – Kevin Krekeler reviewed the insurance policies with Council. He said that the cost was down approximately $16,000.00. He commented that the city was doing a very good job with claims.

Councilman Byrne arrived at the meeting.

Krekeler said that there will be a special events policy for the concert series that will be separate from the other insurance for the City.

MINUTES * * * *

The minutes of May 15, 2007 were presented for approval. Pavey made a motion to approve the minutes with the corrections. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS * * * *

Annexation Claims – Fields made a motion to approve the annexation claims as presented. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED * * * *

Intat CF1 PP – Pavey made a motion to approve the CF1 for personal property for Intat. Fields seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Emerson Climate Technologies (Copeland) CF1 PP – Pavey made a motion to approve the CF1 for personal property for Emerson. Fields seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Resolution 2007-8 Rush Renewable Energy Inducement Resolution – A resolution was presented for approval regarding Rush Renewable Energy for financing of a pollution control facility to be located in the City of Rushville. Fields made a motion to approve the resolution. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.
Traffic Safety Committee Report – Fudge said that the committee suggested the following items:

1. Change the 2 way stop at 13th & Cherry to a 4 way stop
2. Approved a handicap sign at 1011 N Sexton
3. A semi took out a guard rail at 11th & Fort Wayne Road. They will put up no parking signs in the gravel area

He also said that they are doing a traffic sign survey in the newly annexed area.

Quarantine/Vicious Dog Ordinance - Fudge mentioned that recently there was an incident with a vicious dog and upon his research found that there is not an ordinance regarding the quarantine of dogs for vicious attacks. Newhouse will prepare something for review.

Amphitheater/Alcohol – Byrne asked if alcohol was going to be served at all of the summer concerts or if it was just for this first concert. Pavey said it was going to be served at all of the concerts. Byrne asked if we were granting the alcohol permit as the City Council. Kevin Krekel said the City of Rushville would have a temporary liquor license. Bridges said it was through the Amphitheater Committee. Fudge said that it was permitted to the City of Rushville. Pavey said before it was handled through the Chamber of Commerce.

Byrne said we need to have some discussion regarding serving of liquor at all of the concerts. All agreed.

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

There was no further business to come before Council, Pavey made a motion to adjourn. Byrne seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR        CHRISTOPHER S. FIELDS, MEMBER

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DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER       JOHN M. BYRNE, MEMBER

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BRIAN J. SHEEHAN, MEMBER         MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER