The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 W 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., with Bob Bridges, Brian Conner, Craig Smith, Brad Berkemeier and Brian Sheehan answering roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Julie Newhouse, and Melissa Conrad, *Rushville Republican*.

**MINUTES**

Minutes of the May 15, 2012 meeting were presented for approval. Berkemeier made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Bridges seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR’S REPORT**

Mayor Pavey reported:

- The first meeting in July falls on the 3rd. He asked if anyone had a problem with that date or if they would like to change it due to the 4th of July holiday. Council agreed to meet on the 3rd.
- The Mayor has been contacted by Gracie Marlatt to participate in FIT on June 18th. They will be walking the fitness trail. There will be additional walks in the future.
- Thanks to all who participated in the program given by Gary Munchell.
- Attended the Solid Waste meeting. Bids were accepted on the White Felt Building. The bid was awarded to R.L. Coon, however, negotiations are in the process as to who will be responsible for demolition.
- As a result from the recent trip to Washington DC, the Mayor received a call from Purdue University School of Technology and on June 14 a representative will be coming to Rushville to see how they can aid the City.
- The EIDD has been awarded a Brownfields Grant in the amount of $540,000.00.
- Mayor Pavey said he has visited with one of our local veterinarians and the local vets have offered to begin a program where the 4 vets will euthanize our shelter animals for a set hourly rate. The vets will be doing the euthanizing on an alternating basis.
- Thanked the Police and Fire Department for participating in the Memorial Day service.
- Rush County has been selected as a CDBG site for 2012 local elected officials training. It will be hosted at River Point on October 25th from 9:00 to 4:30.
- The Utility Board is undertaking some pretty ambitious projects that we should be hearing about soon. The Utility is not qualifying for grants right now due to our rates being so low.
- There was a meeting Monday for the drainage south of town (Fraley/Wilker Drain) in the meeting 5 names were added to those contributing to the drain. The cost will be based on an appraisal amount not on an acreage amount. The public hearing will be July 30th, at 6:00 p.m. in the Courthouse Assembly Room.

The first concert is this Saturday.
Passed around a book that was taken to Washington DC depicting what we see as our vision for Rushville in 5 areas, this is also available for review at City Hall. Pavey personally thanked Jim Finan, Bob Bridges, Craig Smith, and John McCane for also attending. He said he felt it was a very productive trip. He said the Councilmen all paid their own expenses and Craig Smith was very gracious to line up a Southwest flight at no cost. Pavey applauded those gentlemen for their commitment to Rushville.

CLERK-TREASURER’S REPORT
None.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT’S REPORT
Councilman Bridges said he was given the Council’s budget to prepare for 2013 and asked the Council members to get with him if they had any suggestions. He said he thought training was a very important element to consider.

COMMITTEE REPORTS
Comprehensive Plan – Councilman Smith said it is in re-write at this time. He is hopeful to have a rough draft by the end of the month. Councilman Berkemeier has been working closely with Kate Singleton.

Trash Sub Committee – Smith said this is still being researched.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS
Animal – Warden Moran informed Council that the Board of Works agreed to hire Ethan Ellis as a part time animal control employee.

Moran said the recent fund raiser profited at least $1,000.00. She did not have the exact numbers at this time.

The City and County are having discussions in regard to partnering with one another.

Street - Commissioner Miller said they will be starting on the sidewalk for Copeland after the locates have been completed. The sidewalk will eventually continue to Main Street.

Miller also said they have begun spraying for mosquitoes.

Police – Chief Tucker passed out his monthly report.

CITIZEN CONCERNS
Councilman Conner asked if the no parking signs could come down on Fort Wayne Road. Pavey said they could since the Main Street project was completed.
Conner said he would like to commend Joe Downs and his son for taking down a dilapidated building that was an eye sore on Fort Wayne Road.

Bridges asked if the City plans to keep the truck route on Fort Wayne Road as the local truck route. Pavey said he would look into this, to see if an ordinance had been passed. He said he didn’t think it was necessary now that Main Street was wider.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Yard Sale Policy** – Sample policies are still being reviewed.

**Former Park Restaurant Building** – The Town Hall meeting will be this Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. at 270 West 15th Street, Council Chambers.

**Peddler’s Ordinance** – A sample Ordinance is ready for review.

**Drainage South of Town** – Bridges made a motion to approve the Amended Petition to add 5 properties to the Fraley/Wilker Legal Drain Area. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Residential Parking Request** – Susan Tebbe came before Council to request a residential parking sign, but after thinking about this Tebbe said she thought it would be more appropriate to request no parking on the East side of Ivy Street. Bridges made a motion to make No Parking on the East side of Ivy Street from Market to Alonzo Drive. Conner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Copeland CF1** – Representatives were present from Copeland/Emerson Climate to request approval of their Real Estate and Personal Property CF1’s. Bridges made a motion to approve the CF1’s. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried. Council and the Mayor also thanked Copeland for their generous contributions to the community.

**Handicap Signs** – Chief Tucker said that he has had many requests lately for handicap signs. He said there doesn’t seem to be any regulation to follow. Therefore, he proposed to follow the Shelbyville policy. Tucker said the pertinent passage he would like included in the ordinance is as follows:

> On-street handicapped parking spaces in residential areas are available only to a resident who has requested the space and has the proper handicapped person placard on their vehicle. The request shall be made to the office of the Street Commissioner, who shall have the authority, personally or through a designee, to approve or disapprove said request upon performing a proper inspection.
Tucker stated that he would “clean up” the current list of places with handicap signs and would like those grandfathered in. Newhouse will prepare the ordinance for the next meeting.

2013 Budget – Mayor Pavey said the budget form 1’s have been distributed. He asked the Clerk-Treasurer to have a list of dates at the next meeting to make sure we follow a timely schedule. Pavey also said that he would like to have the line items more defined.

Weed Issues – Pavey said there has been a complaint that the yards the City has had to mow due to tall grass and weeds was not well manicured. He said our goal is to get the weeds down, we do not have the time or manpower to manicure the properties like we would our own.

Transfer Resolution 2012-9 Park & Rec Non Reverting – Bridges made a motion to approve Transfer Resolution 2012-9 transferring monies in the Park & Rec Non Reverting Fund. Conner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Nepotism Ordinance – A sample Nepotism Ordinance was given to Council to review and act on at the next meeting. Due to legislation that has been passed we are required to have this in place by July 1 in order to have our budget approved.

ECDC Report – Jim Finan came before Council and reviewed with them the recent activities of the ECDC and some future plans.

Claims – Sheehan made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Bridges seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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