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 6:10 p.m., with Allen Shelton, Bob Bridges, Bill Goins, and Cindy Humphrey answering role call. Councilman Buckley was not present. Also present were City Attorney, Ron Wilson, Mike Selke, WIFE Radio, and Melissa Conrad, Rushville Republican.

MINUTES * * * *

Minutes of the June 21, 2011 meeting were presented for approval. Shelton made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR’S REPORT * * * *

Bostic welcomed Senator Jean Leising and State Representative Randy Frye. He thanked them for all of their help on the INDOT program.

He introduced the IDEM Commissioner, Thomas Easterly, and his assistant, Rick Bosingham. They recognized Rushville for meeting all the requirements for the Indiana Clean Community Challenge. He said that Rushville is doing very well in this area and have agreed to do 5 things that are not required to improve our community and our environment.

Bostic has been informed that we have been awarded a revolving loan grant for small businesses in the amount of $74,250.00.

This Thursday at 10:30 there will be an unveiling of the new “Welcome to Rushville” sign. The sign will be at the Starkey Welding/Davis Towing facility.

CLERK-TREASURER’S REPORT * * * *

Copley passed out a proposal from Ron Cameron for rank pay for 2012. She also passed out information regarding a public hearing for the next meeting.

Informed Council that she will be meeting with the DLGF this Friday on the preliminary budget for 2012.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT’S REPORT * * * *

Goins congratulated everyone for helping Rushville meet the State’s Clean Community Challenge.

Goins also thanked the fireworks committee for a good show and parade. A thank you was extended to the Optimists for the car show.
DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS * * * * 

Fire - Jenkins reported on the 2 firemen on short term disability. Connolly should be returning to work in 4-6 weeks. Ford is scheduled for a doctor appointment tomorrow.

Jenkins has been in contact with Kathy Winning from Duke Energy regarding a grant for the training center.

CITIZEN CONCERNS * * * *

Cindy Humphrey extended a “thank you” on behalf of her husband and the Optimist Club to the Street Department and the Park Department for their help with the car show.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS * * * *

16th Street Project – Steve Land reported that the sewer line is 68% complete. July 11th one lane will be shut down from Main to Sexton.

Nuisance Ordinance – Jenkins said there was a question if a property could be abated without notice. A ten (10) day notice must be given to come into compliance. Wilson will revise the Ordinance and also put in a fee schedule.

Ordinance 2011-9 Heavy Trash Pickup – Humphrey asked if there was a huge pile of trash was the City going to pick it up. Bostic said no, this is for those who need trash hauled and do not have the means to do it, but wish to pay the Street Department to haul it away. Bridges suggested adding a cost for labor. It was agreed to charge $19.00 per hour per employee.

NEW BUSINESS * * * *

Ordinance 2011-8 Amendment to Traffic Ordinance – Bridges made a motion to approve Ordinance 2011-8 on first reading, amending the traffic ordinance for no parking on the North side of West Second Street between Spencer Street and the alley. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Bridges made a motion to suspend the rules. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Bridges made a motion to approve Ordinance 2011-8 on second reading. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

16th Street, Heritage Farm Right-of-Way – Goins made a motion to approve the recommendation of Butler Fairman for the right-of-way of Heritage Farm. Shelton seconded the motion. The vote tied with Goins and Shelton voting affirmative, and Bridges and Humphrey voting "nay". Bostic broke the tie with an affirmative vote. For a
final vote of 3-2 voting in favor of the motion. Humphrey asked that it be on the record that she was not against the project, but the other 2 right-of-ways that were negotiated were not voted on at a public meeting so why was this one. Bostic said the other two were done verbally by phone.

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

There was no further business to come before Council; Humphrey made a motion to adjourn. Shelton seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

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MERVYN R. BOSTIC, MAYOR

ALLEN W. SHELTON, MEMBER

ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MEMBER

MICHAEL BUCKLEY, MEMBER

WILLIAM R. GOINS, MEMBER

CINDRA K. HUMPHREY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER