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 June 16, 2009 meeting were presented for approval. Shelton made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Buckley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR’S REPORT * * **

Mayor Bostic reported:

- He has named Willie Hughes to the ICAP Executive Board.
- Appointed Greg Harcourt to the Executive Board for Work One.
- He and Bill Goins have been talking to residents concerning right-of-way for 16th Street.

CLERK-TREASURER’S REPORT * * **

Copley said she will be meeting with DLGF on the 2010 budget on Wednesday. She said she expects to advertise the latest budget that she sent to Council, but feels that they will still need to make cuts. Council will meet for a budget work session on Thursday, July 23 at 4:30 at City Hall.

Copley informed the Council that the Board of Works had asked for a revision of the handbook adding back in a previously used pay scale for short term medical leave. Goins made a motion to approve the recommendation from the Board of Works to add back the previously used pay scale. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT’S REPORT * * **

Goins thanked the Department Heads for their cooperation with budget cuts.
Goins also thanked the Fire Department and EMT’s for their professional help with his Mother’s recent fall.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS * * * *

Police – Cameron said a new law took effect on July 1 prohibiting golf carts from being operated on any City, County or State highway. He stated the law allows for a city or town to pass an ordinance permitting their operation on a city street. The new law exempts golf carts from having to be titled, to have a vehicle registration and other equipment laws. Cameron strongly recommended to Council that if they choose to adopt an ordinance that they stipulate that a driver must show proof of ownership if requested by an officer and show proof of insurance if operated on public streets.

Council asked Wilson to prepare an ordinance for review at the next meeting. Council asked to include in the ordinance that there be a slow moving vehicle warning and must show proof of ownership.

PUBLIC HEARING AMENDING ZONING ORDINANCE * * * *

Bostic opened the meeting for a public hearing regarding the amendment to the zoning ordinance. Bill Todd explained that the amendment is to add an additional use for industrial office buildings. Bostic asked if there were any questions or comments from the public. There were none. McGowan made a motion to close the public hearing. Goins seconded the motion. The public hearing was closed.

PUBLIC HEARING AMENDING ZONING MAPS * * * *

Bostic opened the meeting for a public hearing regarding the amendment to the zoning maps. Bill Todd explained that the purpose was to amend from M-1 (light manufacturing) to M-2 for heavy manufacturing. Bostic asked for comments or questions from the public. There were none. Goins made a motion to close the public hearing. McGowan seconded the motion. The public hearing was closed.

CITIZEN CONCERNS * * * *

George Coons thanked everyone for all of their help with the annual July 4th festivities. He said the parade and fireworks were a success in spite of the rain.
UNFINISHED BUSINESS * * * *

Approval of Amendment to Zoning Ordinance – Goins made a motion to approve the amendment to the zoning ordinance. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of Amendment to Zoning Maps – Shelton made a motion to approve the amendment to the zoning maps. Humphrey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS * * * *

EMC Contract – Butch Singleton informed Council that the Utility Board had voted not to renew the contract with EMC and that it would end December 31, 2009. Buckley made a motion to ratify the decision of the Utility Board. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried. They will advertise for the position of superintendent.

Singleton also informed Council that they have been working with ARa to apply for a CFF grant and asked for Council’s approval. Goins made a motion to give the Council’s approval for the Utility Board to apply for a CFF grant. Buckley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Singleton said that they are in the process of a rate study for both water and wastewater. At this time it appears that there will be an increase not to exceed $8.50 for water and wastewater combined.

Historic Board Appointment – Bostic introduced Daniel Christian who lives on Perkins Street and asked Council for their approval to name him to the Historic Board. Shelton made a motion to accept the appointment of Christian to the Historic Board. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Temporary Loan Resolution 2009-9 – Shelton made a motion to approve Resolution 2009-9. Buckley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Claims – Humphrey made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.
There was no further business to come before Council, Shelton made a motion to adjourn. McGowan seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

MERVYN R. BOSTIC, MAYOR

ALLEN W. SHELTON, MEMBER

DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER

MICHAEL BUCKLEY, MEMBER

WILLIAM R. GOINS, MEMBER

CINDRA K. HUMPHREY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

ANN L. COLEY, CLERK-TREASURER