The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 W 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. In the absence of Mayor Bostic, Mayor Pro-Tem Goins called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m., with Allen Shelton, Darrin McGowan, Mike Buckley, 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 August 4, 2008 meeting were presented for approval. Shelton made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Humphrey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR’S REPORT * * * *

Mayor Pro-Tem Goins reported:

- He attended a public hearing regarding a possible new library and encouraged everyone to attend the next public hearing. McGowan said this is something the Council really needs to seriously look at and urged everyone to attend the public hearing.
- Informed Council that the Board of Works accepted the resignation of Doug Keith.
- Received a request from a citizen to use the gravel parking lot at the entrance to Riverside Park to have a benefit rummage sale. Dan Mathews said his concern would be that unsold items would be left for the City to dispose of. Humphrey suggested assessing a fee for items that were not removed. McGowan was concerned as to where it will stop. Buckley made a motion not to allow the use of the parking lot. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Goins informed the Board that for an undetermined period of time Dan Hoover has been relieved from his duties as Street Commissioner and reassigned to other duties at the Street Department. Jemmy Miller will be acting Street Commissioner.

CLERK-TREASURER’S REPORT * * * *

Copley asked Council if they would like to schedule another budget work session. It was agreed to meet Tuesday, August 26, at 4:30 at City Hall.
DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS  * * * *

**Police** - Cameron said that Cale Worley has been accepted into the Police Academy for the session beginning September 2. Newly hired Officer Schuman is beginning his 2nd week of employment.

**Street** - Miller asked permission to use the non-reverting funds to have yard waste converted into mulch. Shelton made a motion to approve the use of the non-reverting funds not to exceed $7,500.00. Buckley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CITIZEN CONCERNS  * * * *

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS  * * * *

None.

NEW BUSINESS  * * * *

**Community Center Update** - Chairman Mike Pavey and Mary Roller came before Council to give an update. Pavey reported that they have leased the old Rush/Shelby Energy building and are concentrating on the most critical need of the community which was education and continuing education.

Mary Roller, Executive Director of Continuing Education gave some statistics. She said the program has mushroomed over the last couple of years. This summer they have doubled. This fall there are already 91 students enrolled. The average age of the students is 30-50. The oldest student that has taken part in the classes was 83. Roller said approximately 75% of the students are 1st generation college attendants. Non college bound students can participate in computer and language classes. There are 2 computer labs. They also offer GED classes and adult basic education.

Goins thanked Pavey and Roller and said he appreciated all the work they have put into this endeavor.
Chamber of Commerce Update - Pam Leisure gave the following update information:

- the 2008 membership was up to $43,500.00.
- They have spearheaded 32 retail investment projects over the last 3 years, of which 21 have materialized.
- There will be a ribbon cutting on August 21 at noon for the Umbrella Family Waiver Service, which is a support and care for the elderly.
- There will be a ribbon cutting for the Army Navy Surplus Store on September 11 at 11:15.
- Ground breaking on September 11 at noon for a restaurant.
- Rush Fest is September 27, with the parade at 11:00

1001 Analysis With Umbaugh - Humphrey made a motion to enter into an agreement with the County and School to hire H.J. Umbaugh to do a study parcel by parcel to have a better understanding of the impact of 1001. The City’s portion is not to exceed $10,000.00. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ordinance 2008-9 Prohibiting Parking on Lions Path - Buckley made a motion to approve the ordinance prohibiting parking on Lions Path and in front of the High School. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ordinance 2008-10 Restricting Truck Traffic on City Streets - Buckley made a motion to approve Ordinance 2008-10. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Claims - Copley presented claims with one additional claim for the animal shelter. McGowan asked for more information regarding the additional claim. McGowan moved to approve the claims excluding the additional claim for the animal shelter. Humphrey seconded the motion. Buckley abstained from voting on the claims regarding his salary. Motion carried.

There was no further business to come before Council, Humphrey made a motion to adjourn. Buckley seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.