The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m., which was immediately after the public hearing on annexation. Bill Goins, Darrin McGowan, Brian Sheehan, John Byrne, and Mike Pavey answered roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Julie Newhouse, Jan Voiles, Rushville Republican, and Scott Murray, WKWH.

Minutes of the August 19, 2003 meeting were presented for approval. Goins made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor’s Report

Mayor Bridges reported the following:

* The IACT conference will be held from September 29 - October 2 and if anyone wishes to attend they should make reservations right away.

* The Board of Works approved the sale of the property on Fort Wayne Road to Glen and Diane Hooten for $7,000.00. This was the only bid.

Clerk-Treasurer’s Report

Resolution to Reduce Spending 2003-11 - Copley presented a Resolution to Reduce Spending for the 2003 budget in the Cum Cap Development Fund in the total amount of $60,000.00. Byrne made a motion to approve the resolution. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Department Head Reports

Police - Mathews welcomed newly hired Communication Officer, Steve Randall to the Police Department.

He also discussed a parking problem with Council in the 400 block of Morgan Street.

He is checking on a dilapidated culvert or bridge, located in the 800-900 block of Fort Wayne Road. He is not sure if it is the County's or the City's, but has
contacted Jerry Sitton. He said it is in dire need of guard rails or some type of barrier.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS** * * *

None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** * * *

**Public Hearing 2004 Budget** - Bridges declared the meeting open for public hearing. The Mayor presented some possible cuts for Council to look over and get back with him by the end of the week. There being no comments from the public, Sheehan made a motion to close the public hearing. McGowan seconded the motion. The public hearing was declared closed.

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**NEW BUSINESS** * * *

**INTAT Tax Abatement** - Jack Harmon presented Council with a proposal for a new 10 year tax abatement. The project cost is $14.6 million dollars, but the abatement will be less than that. Intat currently has 3 facilities in Rushville. Pavey made a motion to approve the new 10 year tax abatement. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Transfer Resolution 2003-10** - Sheehan made a motion to approve the transfer resolution. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Claims** - Byrne made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before Council, McGowan made a motion to adjourn. Byrne seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR

WILLIAM R. GOINS, MEMBER