

**RUSHVILLE CITY COMMON COUNCIL
TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2002
6:00 P.M.**

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 6:00 p.m. with Darrin McGowan, Brian Sheehan, John Byrne and Mike Pavey answering roll call. Councilman Goins was not present. Also present were Jan Voiles, *Rushville Republican*, Scott Murray, WKWH and City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse.

MINUTES * * *

Minutes of the January 8, 2001 meeting were presented for approval. Byrne made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT * * *

Bridges report was as follows:

- Apologized to Councilman McGowan for failing to announce at the last meeting that Pinnacle Security will be holding a women's self-defense class this Saturday at the Police Department from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The cost is \$45.00 and the proceeds will go to the Rushville Police Reserve Unit;
- Bridges attended the Rush/Fayette NAACP celebration on Sunday in Connersville. He stated it was an inspirational gathering and appreciated Councilman Goins for inviting him;
- The public hearing on January 17 for the Northeast Revitalization was not well attended. He said there was good participation from those who were in attendance. There has also been good written response from the public;
- Attended a memorial service for Kai and thanked those who attended. He also thanked Tracy and Roger Dice for all their work and care of the dog;
- Chief Fudge and 7 officers are attending a Spanish class. Bridges thought this would be worthwhile for the City;
- The annual IACT Legislative Conference will be February 12 & 13 in Indianapolis. See Bob for registration forms.
- The Board of Works accepted the resignation of Police Officer, Chris Whittaker and gave Fudge permission to advertise for applicants.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT * * *

None.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS * * *

Fire – Assistant Fire Chief Shelton passed out a copy of their year-end report.

Street - Bennett passed out a copy of a certified letter he had sent to Rush Park Apartments concerning the continuing trash problem. He stated that this is the second notice that has been sent. In the letter Bennett said that this is the last notice of violation and that the City would no longer service the complex.

Bennett passed out a year-end report.

Bennett is in the process of putting together the bid packet for the new packer.

Park – Mathews invited everyone to attend the Valentine Dance on February 8, at Benjamin Rush from 6:30 – 9:00. Also if anyone would like to chaperone he would appreciate it.

CITIZEN'S CONCERNS * * *

None.

Unfinished Business * * *

Northeast Revitalization Project – The public hearing was not well attended. If we receive approval for the project there will be another hearing. M.D. Wessler volunteered to be at the hearing if needed.

NEW BUSINESS * * *

GIS Implementation – Rob Sig was unable to attend the meeting for his presentation.

Resolution 2002-3 – Byrne made a motion to approve Resolution 2002-3, adding monies back to an appropriation. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Benefits Committee – Pavey reported that they will be meeting after the end of the month to review the different medical insurance quotes. They hope to be ready for a presentation at February's meeting. After a decision is made on who the provider will be there will be a mandatory meeting for all City employees to discuss the new policy and explain the benefits.

Circleville Annexation – The Board of Works approved an Agreement for mapping for the annexation of the Circleville area. Wessler stated that the mapping was necessary to have a more clear and precise picture of the area involved. Wessler stated that the City would be provided with copies of the maps along with a CD of the mapping. It would also include a waterworks and wastewater preliminary engineering study and report. City Attorney Newhouse stated that this was the next step that was necessary in order to move forward with the annexation. Fields made a motion to enter into the agreement with M.D. Wessler & Associates. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried

Claims – Byrne made a motion to approve the claims as presented. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before Council, Sheehan made a motion to adjourn. McGowan seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR

WILLIAM R. GOINS, MEMBER

DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER

BRIAN J. SHEEHAN, MEMBER

JOHN M. BYRNE, MEMBER

MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER