

**RUSHVILLE CITY COMMON COUNCIL
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2006
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 Chris Fields, Darrin McGowan, John Byrne, Brian Sheehan, and Mike Pavey answering roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse, and Frank Denzler, *Rushville Republican*.

MINUTES * * *

Minutes of the February 7, 2006 meeting were presented for approval. Councilman Byrne said he had some question from some city employees regarding the previous minutes as to the insurance and the HAS program. Council reviewed the minutes and decided not to make any changes that the minutes were accurate and clear. Sheehan made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT * * *

Mayor Bridges reported the following:

- o Indianapolis 500 Fan Tour bus will be in various locations in Rushville on February 27th. Location information will be given by the media.
- o Passed out a letter from IDEM regarding confined feeding operations.
- o Attended the Rush County Commissioner's meeting and requested them to pass a resolution granting jurisdiction to the City of Rushville's Redevelopment Commission to undertake an economic development project. This is for Rush Renewable Energy in a contiguous area to the boundaries of the City of Rushville. The Commissioners granted the request and passed the resolution 3-0.
- o Received a request from a local resident for Council to review the itinerant dealers and peddlers licensing permit fees. The request is to consider lowering the fees for local persons who may wish to start a part-time venture versus someone from out-of-state coming into the city limits. Sheehan commented that in his opinion the fee was reasonable. It was the consensus of Council not to lower the fee.
- o Received a request from the Utility Board to ask Council to consider vacating a street, which is presently an entrance to the utility office and the west drive of O'Mara's. In speaking with Jeff O'Mara, he is comfortable with the idea. If you are willing to hear the petition I will contact the utilities and have them start the legal process. This was also discussed by the safety committee due to a parking problem. The safety

committee also made a recommendation for the vacation to correct the parking situation at the utilities. Council agreed to have the utilities proceed.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT * * *

None.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT * * *

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS * * *

Insurance – Council Byrne asked if the problems with the FSA cards that was discussed at the last meeting had been addressed. The Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer said that the matters had been addressed.

Safety Committee – Fudge reported the following recommendations by the safety committee:

- o Approval of truck route from Fort Wayne Road to 11th Street;
- o Denied a 4-way stop at 8th & Arthur Streets;
- o Denied residential parking only in 100 block of East 7th Street;
- o Approved 2-way stop in alley of 100 block of West 8th Street;
- o Surveying merchants regarding downtown parking on Main Street to change parking from 1st Street to 4th Street to 2 hour parking Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 am – 4:00 p.m. This would not affect any of the side streets downtown. No decision has been made.
- o Recommend to vacate alley at the entrance of the utility office and O'Mara's Market.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS * * *

None.

CITIZEN CONCERNS * * *

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS * * *

Public Hearing Zoning Ordinance – Bridges opened the meeting for public hearing regarding the amendment to the Rush County Zoning Ordinance and Maps. Bridges asked for comment or questions from the public. There was none. Byrne made a motion to close the public hearing. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Byrne made a motion to approve the amendment to the zoning ordinance and the maps. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Hearing Amendment to Subdivision Control Ordinance – Bridges opened the meeting for public hearing on the amendment to the Subdivision Control Ordinance. There was no comment from the public. Sheehan moved to close the public hearing. McGowan seconded the motion. The public hearing was closed.

Sheehan made a motion to approve the amendment to the Subdivision Control Ordinance. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Police Department Purchase of Vehicles – Fudge presented 3 quotes for police cars. The quotes were as follows for 2 cars:

Rushville Chrysler Jeep Dodge:	\$37,454.00 after trade-ins
Batesville Chrysler Dodge Jeep:	\$37,794.00 after trade-ins
Riedman Motor Company:	\$38,263.00 after trade-ins

Fields made a motion to accept the quote from Rushville Chrysler Jeep. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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

NEW BUSINESS * * *

CF1 Fujitsu Ten Corp – Barry Mare gave an update for Fujitsu Ten and asked Council to consider approval of the CF1. Sheehan made a motion to approve the CF1. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Extend Subsurface Warranty on US 52 – Bridges said the repair was made and filled with slurry. If the City approves the repair, Brackney will extend the warranty. Pavey made a motion to table the matter until it can be discussed with Jeff Peters. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ECDC Update – Greg Griffin updated Council and gave a year-end report.

Compatible Use Zone – Pavey said he has been meeting with the County regarding the compatible use zone. He said he thought the County should be cautious with permits until the rules are in place. Council agreed.

Introduction of Petition for Annexation – Byrne made a motion to accept the introduction of the petition for annexation for Rush Renewable Energy. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Billboard Notification – Newhouse sent a letter to Porter Signs regarding the removal of the billboards. Proof of service has been received.

St. Patrick's Celebration – Sheehan announced that the St. Patrick's celebration will be on March 11. It is hoped to donate approximately \$10,000.00 back to the community. With a donation of \$2,500.00 for the summer concerts, \$500.00 to the veterans for the flag program, and the remainder to the Community Foundation.

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

There was no further business to come before Council, Pavey made a motion to adjourn. McGowan seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR

CHRISTOPHER S. FIELDS, MEMBER

DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER

JOHN M. BYRNE, MEMBER

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BRIAN J. SHEEHAN, MEMBER

MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER