

**RUSHVILLE CITY COMMON COUNCIL
TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 2007
5:30 P.M.**

The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 W 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. Darrin McGowan, John Byrne, Brian Sheehan and Mike Pavey answered roll call. Councilman Fields was not present. Also present was City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse.

MINUTES * * * *

Minutes of the April 3, 2007 meeting were presented for approval. Sheehan made a motion to approve the minutes with a correction that the Resolution for the Jehovah Witness Annexation should be **2007-3** instead of 2007-1. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT * * * *

Mayor Bridges reported the following to Council:

- ❖ At Monday's County Commissioner's meeting the Flatrock River Board of Supervisors has been dissolved and the money placed in a fund with the Auditor's office. The money will be used for maintenance on the legal drain. Wilbur Hoeing asked that you still consider budgeting \$6,000 rather than \$5,000 for the yearly maintenance. I told him I would bring this to the Council's attention for them to consider.
- ❖ Bill Todd, APC Director, has received a request for an in-home business at 803 N Oliver Street. The owner is requesting to sell guns from his home. Todd is requesting that the City Council make a recommendation as to whether this is a permitted use. It was the consensus of Council that it not be permitted.
- ❖ On Monday the Rush County Commissioner's passed a resolution establishing two new economic development areas. The first is 80 acres north of 200 north, west of SR #3. The area established shall be known as the Rush County Industrial Park. The second area is 47 acres, but when surveyed was 56.25 acres that will be known as the Commerce Park which is located south of 200 N on the west side of SR #3. These areas will be assigned to the Rushville Redevelopment Commission for development.
- ❖ I had the City Attorney draft a copy of an ordinance for your review to consider limiting off-premises motor vehicle sales to Rush County dealers only. Please review and comment if you want to act on the ordinance or not.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT * * * *

None.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT * * * *

Pavey received a letter from the Cupp family regarding kids congregating on weekends on the SE corner of the Pizza King parking lot. Fudge will check it out.

COMMITTEE REPORTS * * * *

Billboard Committee – Richard Peterson from Porter Advertising presented a proposal for the City's consideration regarding the billboards south of the City. Peterson had met with Councilmen Sheehan and Pavey to work on an agreeable proposal. The agreement would be for a 5 year period with the full 5 years being paid in the beginning. The price for the rental to have the billboards on City property was increased. Pavey made a motion to approve the contract contingent upon approval from the City Attorney, and giving permission for the Mayor to sign the contract. The motion also included that the art work portion would be approved by himself and Councilman McGowan. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS * * * *

None.

CITIZEN CONCERNS * * * *

Larry Conover said something needs to be done about the semi trucks using their brakes through town. Fudge said that could not be regulated on a state highway. Bridges said he would check into the matter again to see if anything has changed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS * * * *

Discuss Final Draft of Handbook Policy – Bridges said that he and the Clerk-Treasurer would be meeting with HR Unlimited tomorrow regarding revisions on the handbook. Bridges told Council that they were also asked to attend if they would like. He asked if Council had any changes to be made. They had none.

Ordinance 2007-2 Matlock Annexation – Pavey made a motion to approve Ordinance 2007-2. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS * * * *

Vision Insurance and Long Term Disability – Kevin Mandrell presented a cost comparison for the City's vision insurance. Anthem came in at a lower rate than VSP with nearly the exact same coverage. The monthly premium for VSP was \$755.81 and Anthem's was \$567.45. Pavey made a motion to transfer the vision coverage from VSP to Anthem effective May 1st. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mandrell said there was no increase in the long term disability with Standard.

Mandrell also said the FSA participation was good.

Resolution 2007-4 Adding Monies Back to Appropriations – Sheehan made a motion to approve the resolution. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Outdoor Woodburning Furnaces – Bridges passed out another ordinance for review regarding outdoor woodburning furnaces. The ordinance was from Evansville. Bridges said he thought this was a fair ordinance. Leroy Custer said he thought it would be helpful to set an outside air temperature for a shut off time.

ECDC Report - Greg Griffin handed out a quarterly report for the ECDC. He will be back at the next meeting to discuss the report.

Claims – Byrne made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Sheehan 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 6:38 p.m.

ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR

CHRISTOPHER S. FIELDS, MEMBER

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DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER

JOHN M. BYRNE, MEMBER

BRIAN J. SHEEHAN, MEMBER

MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER