

**RUSHVILLE CITY COMMON COUNCIL**  
**TUESDAY, MAY 15, 2001**  
**6:00 P.M.**

The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 West 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m. with Bill Goins, Darrin McGowan, Brian Sheehan, John Byrne, and Mike Pavey answering roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Paul Barada, Jr., Jan Voiles, *Rushville Republican*, and Scott Murray, WKWH.

**MINUTES \* \* \***

Minutes of the May 1, 2001 meeting were presented for approval. Byrne made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR'S REPORT \* \* \***

Mayor Bridges reported the following:

- RFP's for the Community Center were received and reviewed. There were two companies chosen to give oral presentations: They were Gibraltar Builders, and MSKTD. The presentation will be May 21 at 6:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers at the Police Department.
- Met with representatives from Senator Lugar's office. They provided the Mayor with a report from FEMA on the revision of flood insurance. Bridges was told that the maps should be available this Thursday.
- Spoke with Jason Clemmons, who agreed to chair the Mayor's Youth Council. The council will give periodic presentations to the City Council.
- Winners for the logo contest for the Community Center were Krystal Street, 1<sup>st</sup> place, and Brianne Borders, 2<sup>nd</sup> place. They will receive \$50.00 savings bonds and a pass to the pool.
- Northeast Revitalization Program – Ball State has agreed to do the study for \$1,250.00. Ara can do the environmental study, but there will be a fee, which can be paid from program income. Goins made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Board of Works to approve paying Ball State the \$1,250.00 from Board of Works engineering fees. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**DEPARTMENT OF LAW \* \* \***

**406 North Main Street** – Barada said he has received a Quit-Claim Deed from the County for the property located at 406 North Main Street. Sheehan made a motion to accept the Quit-Claim Deed for the sum of \$1.00 and to give Barada the authority to record the documents in the office of the Rush County Recorder. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS \* \* \***

**Street** – Bennett handed out a press release regarding the Spring Clean-Up Week with a note concerning the new heavy trash program. The Spring Clean-Up will be May 29 through June 8. With the new heavy trash program to begin June 11. Byrne said he was asked if the regular trash pick up would still include yard waste. Bennett said it would include yard waste.

Bennett said he was concerned with the new area for heavy trash that there will be an increase in traffic and to eliminate traffic problems he would suggest making Smiley Avenue a one way street South from 1<sup>st</sup> Street to VanSickle Avenue. Barada will prepare an ordinance for Council to act on.

**Park** – Mathews said that the pool is ready to go and they plan to open May 28.

**CITIZEN'S CONCERNS \* \* \***

McGowan had two complaints of tall grass. The addresses were 403 West 1<sup>st</sup> Street and 823 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.

**OLD BUSINESS \* \* \***

**Ameitech Claim** - Barada explained the claim from Peoples Trust on the Ameitech property. He recommended to the Board of Works that they recommend to Council to settle the claim for the amount of the last 3 installments of property taxes. Barada stated he believed it would be wise to settle now since the buyers have backed out of the deal and his fear was that the claim could go much higher if we put it off. He stated that in his response he said that we "would settle in lieu of any further legal proceedings against the City of Rushville". Pavey made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Board of Works and to pay the claim for the last three installments of property

taxes, after a release had been received and reviewed by the City Attorney. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Sheehan made a motion to move the two checking accounts currently at Peoples to another bank. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried, with Goins voting against the motion.

**NEW BUSINESS \* \* \***

**Huff & Long Proposal** – Mayor Bridges reported that Darlene Northam from Huff and Long had offered a proposal to the City to buy a skid of copy paper. He said the money would have to be paid up front and would cost approximately \$1,038.00 per skid. Huff and Long would store the paper. After discussion it was the consent of Council that it was a good idea to check out the offer, but with having to pay the money up front, it may not be a good idea to proceed at this time.

**Sewer & Bond Study Proposal** – John Sever from H. J. Umbaugh and Tim Dusing from City Securities were present to review the study on the water and sewer bonds. Sever said after review it was their opinion that the City needed to consider increasing the water rates by a minimum of 15%. He said the last increase was in 1994. Pavey made a motion to meet with the Utility Board to discuss the possibility of a rate study for an increase. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Trane CF1** – Representatives from the Trane Company presented two CF1's for approval by the Council. Sheehan made a motion to approve both CF1's. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Claims** – Copley presented 2 additional claims for approval. One was for the flag donation of \$150.00 and one was for repair on a fire truck for \$389.75. Pavey made a motion to approve the claims with the 2 additional. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before Council Goins made a motion to adjourn. Byrne seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

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ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR

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WILLIAM R. GOINS, MEMBER

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DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER

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BRIAN J. SHEEHAN, MEMBER

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JOHN M. BYRNE, MEMBER

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MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER