

**RUSHVILLE CITY COMMON COUNCIL
TUESDAY, MAY 8, 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 6:08 p.m. with Bill Goins, Darrin McGowan, Brian Sheehan, John Byrne and Mike Pavey answering roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Julie Newhouse, and Jan Voiles, *Rushville Republican*.

MINUTES * * *

Minutes of the April 16, 2002 meeting were presented for approval. Sheehan made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT * * *

Mayor Bridges reported the following:

- Attended an annexation meeting on April 30 with the residents of Circleville, Rivercrest, Waits Addition, Fields Addition and Lawton Addition. Nick Kile reported on the steps they can expect if annexation is to take place. Marty Wessler presented figures on estimated engineering costs, construction costs and hoop fees. John Skomp also addressed the fiscal plan;
- Attended the 500 Mayor's Breakfast at the Westin in Indianapolis. Bridges had the opportunity to walk across the stage with Jasmine Osborne, a 500 princess from Rushville. Bridges stated, "we should be proud to have such a fine young lady represent the City of Rushville in this nationally recognized event";
- Attended a meeting focused on old cemeteries that have been neglected throughout the county. Bi-monthly meetings will be held. The next meeting will be held on July 11th at the Council Chambers;
- The annual Chamber luncheon was held at Miller's Restaurant today. The program unveiled the new Rush County Chamber of Commerce/ECDC website. Kyle Decker was the Chamber of Commerce Scholarship recipient. Carly Piles and Phillip Morgan were this years Student Leader Award winners. The 2002 Outstanding Citizen Award was presented to Eleanor Arnold.
- There will be a hearing on the Martha Yorn property on May 17 at 1:30.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT * * *

None.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS * * *

Police – Assistant Police Chief Mathews said the reserves are having some fundraisers to purchase a vehicle for their use. Mathews asked for Council's blessing. Goins made a motion to allow the reserves to purchase the vehicle. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Street – Bennett said the street paving is complete. He said they ran over approximately \$1200.00 – \$1300.00 on costs because they came across a couple of extras.

They will be working with the school on replacing the sidewalk at the High School. Bennett is hopeful to get the regular sidewalk program started next week.

Discussed with Council the possibility of developing a storm water drainage board. After lengthy discussion Bennett said he would talk to some other communities to get some ideas and would get back with Council.

Has received complaints on the Rail Road crossings at Sexton and Arthur Streets. Bennett has talked to the Rail Road Company and they will be replacing those crossings this Summer.

The City will start spraying for mosquitoes next week. He said they will probably come up short on materials. However, he is looking for alternatives to remedy the problem.

Park – Mathews asked permission of Council to return the funds from the sale of the old mower to the Utilities back to the appropriation. He would like to use those funds to help resurface the fitness trail. Byrne made a motion to return the funds to the appropriation for the use of resurfacing the fitness trail. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

He said they have a problem at the pool with the paint surface on the floor of the pool peeling. He is meeting with an engineer this Saturday to get a

recommendation as to the best way to repair the problem. Mathews is hoping to be able to open the pool on Memorial Day.

CITIZEN'S CONCERNS * * *

Councilman McGowan received a request from David Ramsey, who lives at the trailer park on West First Street. Ramsey was requesting a sign be put up to stop "jake brakes". Because of Federal regulations McGowan suggested a possibility of a generic sign regarding the use of engine brakes and/or exhaust brakes. Pavey made a motion to table the matter and have McGowan do some further research on the matter. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS * * *

Final Review of Comprehensive Plan – Bill Todd gave a review of the Comprehensive Plan before final passage. The material from Carthage was not included in the materials, but will be added when it is received.

Councilman McGowan left the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Todd stated that before the Comprehensive Plan is passed it will be set for a public hearing. Todd told Council after they had a chance to review the documentation if they had any questions to feel free to contact him.

NEW BUSINESS * * *

Trane Tax Abatement – Chris Deno from The Trane Company presented CF1's for approval. Sheehan made a motion to approve the CF1 in regard to Resolution 2001-12. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Goins made a motion to approve the CF1 in regard to Resolution 1996-16. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Trash Pick Up Point Change – Bennett said he would like to investigate the possibility of a change in the trash pick up point. He said some alleys are difficult to maneuver the truck through. After further discussion Council decided to investigate the matter before any further action is taken.

Vending Machines in Residential Areas - Councilman Sheehan presented regulations on vending machines on residential properties. The City Attorney will review the regulations and report back to Council.

Claims Approval – Sheehan made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Councilman Goins said that Indiana Coach Mike Davis will be in town for a convocation on June 13.

There being no further business to come before Council, Goins made a motion to adjourn. Pavey seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 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