

**RUSHVILLE CITY BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY**  
**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2012**  
**5:30 P.M.**

The Rushville City Board of Public Works and Safety met in regular session on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m. with Gary Cameron, Darrin McGowan, Angie Barton, and Marvin Hedrick answering roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Julie Newhouse, Mike Selke, WIFE Radio, and Melissa Conrad, *Rushville Republican*.

**MINUTES**

Minutes of the February 7, 2012 meeting were presented for approval. McGowan made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

None.

**CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT**

None.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

**Police** – Tucker asked the Board to consider approving General Order #37 regarding social media. Hedrick made a motion to approve General Order #37. Cameron said he has researched the subject and would like to consider a policy for all City employees. He asked that the matter be tabled. Hedrick rescinded his motion.

Tucker presented General Order #61 regarding patrol rifles. McGowan questioned “officer owned rifles”. Tucker said previously there were officers that had their own rifles. He suggested leaving this in place in case an officer with his own rifle preferred to carry that in the vehicle. McGowan also questioned if the reserve officers would be qualified. Tucker said not at this time, but possibly in the future. McGowan made a motion to approve General Order #61. Barton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Tucker asked the Board for their approval of General Order #63 for automated external defibrillators. Hedrick made a motion to approve General Order #63. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried. Tucker asked permission to purchase 3 units at a cost of \$3,285.00, which would be paid for through donations. Cameron made a motion to approve the purchase of the 3 units. Barton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Fire** – Jenkins passed out a revised hiring option for review.

**Animal** – Moran told the Board she would like to hire Mark Nickel for part time help at \$11.00 per hour. She said he would work no more than 20 hours per week, with no overtime, and no weekends. Hedrick made a motion to hire Nickel up to 20 hours per week

at \$11.00 per hour. Copley said she was sure this was more than was in the salary ordinance and was concerned if there was even enough budgeted. Hedrick rescinded his motion to allow the Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer to review the salary ordinance.

Moran said she would like to start a kid's volunteer program for basic care of animals for ages 8-16 one Saturday a month. McGowan questioned how the insurance would handle this. Pavey said we will check with the insurance company.

Moran said she has been contacted by Purdue regarding a spay and neuter mobile bus program. The program is free and would come to Rushville 4 times a year. Newhouse will review the policy from Purdue.

Moran thanked the Street Department for pouring the cement slab for the quarantine kennel.

**Street** – Miller suggested that the volunteer program for the animal shelter be a weekend other than the first since that is the weekend for tox away. He said if both programs were the same weekend it may cause some congestion.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Personal Policy Handbook Changes** – The Board was presented an amendment to the personal policy handbook. McGowan made a motion to table any action so they can review the changes. Hedrick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Budget Retreat** – Pavey invited the Board of Works members and Department Heads to the Budget Retreat on February 29 at 6:00 p.m. at Council Chambers, 270 West 15<sup>th</sup> Street. Mike Harmless will be presenting the program. The public is invited and it is expected to last approximately 3 hours.

**Economic Development Retreat** – There will be a retreat “Economic Development 101” for local officials and appointees on February 22, 2012 from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Rush Shelby Building. There will also be an all-day Economic Planning retreat on Thursday, February 23 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at River Point Office Suites.

**Resignation of Adam Buckley** – Pavey informed the Board that he received the resignation of Communication Officer Adam Buckley. Cameron made a motion to accept the resignation of Buckley and that per the policy and procedure manual he be paid any leave time or vacation time that is due him. Barton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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There was no further business to come before the Board of Works; Hedrick made a motion to adjourn. Cameron seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

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MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MAYOR

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GARY M. CAMERON, MEMBER

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DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER

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ANGELA L. BARTON, MEMBER

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MARVIN L. HEDRICK, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER

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