

## **RUSHVILLE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

### **1. ROLL CALL & CALL TO ORDER**

The Rushville City Council met in the meeting room of the City Hall Building. Upon convening, Mayor Jeff Ervin directed City Clerk, Stacey Briney to call the roll. Upon ROLL CALL, the following answered present: Council Members: Susan Acker, Mike Carey, Terry Dodds, Mike Farniok, Bob Fishel, Bryan Matteson, Mike Ryan, & Paul Trimble. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Others present included: City Clerk, Stacey Briney; City Attorney, Erin Wilson-Laegeler; Superintendent of Operations, Drew Ralston; and Moe Billingsley of *The Rushville Times*.

### **2. OPENING PRAYER**

The Opening Prayer was led by Mayor Jeff Ervin.

### **3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Ervin.

### **4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no Public Comments at this time.

### **5. CONSENT AGENDA**

*All items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests, in which event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered as the first item after approval of the Consent Agenda.*

- a) Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held August 18, 2025
- b) Approve the Minutes of the Economic Development Committee Meeting held August 27, 2025
- c) Approve "Claims for Council Approval Dated 09/02/25" & Accept Monthly Reports
- d) Approve Reserving Central Park on Saturday, September 20, 2025, for Homecoming Coronation
- e) Approve Appointment of Becky Jones to the Scripps Park Board
- f) Approve Extending the Replacement of Storm Sewer on West LaFayette Street to Town Branch and Removing Trees & Stumps
- g) Approve Purchasing the North 1/3 of Lot 10 in the Industrial Park back from Savanah Caputo
- h) Approve Payment of Concrete for the Replacement of the Sidewalk in front of the Health Department with Labor to be done by Veteran's Construction
- i) Approve Releasing Mike Wise from City Water
- j) Approve Loan Reimbursements

**Dodds MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA. Farniok SECONDED, AND THE MOTION CARRIED WITH AN ALL "YEA" ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS: 8 YEAS – Acker, Carey, Dodds, Farniok, Fishel, Matteson, Ryan, & Trimble; 0 NAYS; 0 ABSENT.**

### **6. ITEMS TO BE REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA – IF APPLICABLE**

All items were approved on the Consent Agenda.

### **7. DISCUSS & CONSIDER 2<sup>ND</sup> READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 1399, ORDINANCE IMPLEMENTING A MUNICIPAL GROCERY RETAILER'S OCCUPATION TAX AND A MUNICIPAL GROCERY SERVICE OCCUPATION TAX**

**Fishel MOVED TO PASS & ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 1399, ORDINANCE IMPLEMENTING A MUNICIPAL GROCERY RETAILER'S OCCUPATION TAX AND A MUNICIPAL GROCERY SERVICE OCCUPATION TAX. Acker SECONDED, AND THE MOTION CARRIED WITH AN ALL "YEA" ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS: 8 YEAS – Carey, Dodds, Farniok, Fishel, Matteson, Ryan, Trimble, & Acker; 0 NAYS; 0 ABSENT.**

**8. DISCUSS & CONSIDER APPROVING LIQUOR LICENSE FOR PIG & PLATTER**

**Farniok MOVED TO APPROVE LIQUOR LICENSE FOR PIG & PLATTER. Matteson SECONDED, AND THE MOTION CARRIED WITH AN ALL “YEA” ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS: 8 YEAS – Dodds, Farniok, Fishel, Matteson, Ryan, Trimble, Acker, & Carey; 0 NAYS; 0 ABSENT.**

**9. DISCUSS & CONSIDER APPROVING RED GRANT FOR RICK & RICH’S TAP**

Economic Development Committee Chair, Susan Acker reported Jamie Ashcraft, owner of Rick & Rich’s Tap had applied for a RED Grant to help with the cost of replacing the roof. Acker stated the roof was leaking over the gambling machines and has already been done because the company was going to pull the machines if the roof was not fixed.

**Acker MOVED TO APPROVE A RED GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS TO RICK & RICH’S TAP. Carey SECONDED, AND THE MOTION CARRIED WITH AN ALL “YEA” ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS: 8 YEAS – Farniok, Fishel, Matteson, Ryan, Trimble, Acker, Carey, & Dodds; 0 NAYS; 0 ABSENT.**

**10. COUNCIL MEMBER & OFFICIAL’S REPORTS**

Parks & Recreation Committee Co-Chair, Paul Trimble reported the light poles for the ballfield at Schuy-Rush have been ordered and should take about two (2) weeks to come in. Trimble noted once those are in, they will order the bulbs.

Water & Sewer Committees Chairman, Bryan Matteson reported the SCADA system needs replaced. Superintendent of Operations, Drew Ralston said this system tells the pumps when to kick on or off. Matteson stated Ralston has a quote from Second Sight in the amount of Eighteen Thousand Eighty-Three Dollars and Nineteen Cents (\$18,083.19). Matteson noted this company is out of St. Louis so the city will be paying for travel. Matteson said Richards Electric out of Quincy was looking at the system as well but they were not as thorough and Ralston was very confident with Second Sight. A discussion followed. **Consensus was to go ahead and have Second Sight do the work that needs to be done. City Clerk, Stacey Briney was directed to place this item on the next Consent Agenda.**

Matteson also reported that the Logan Street tank is done and they will start filling it tomorrow. Matteson stated once this procedure is done, they will start the demolition of the old tank.

City Attorney, Erin Wilson-Laegeler asked Ordinance Review Committee Chairman, Mike Farniok if he was wanting to meet again regarding the camper ordinance, and Farniok said he does and will call a meeting for later in the month.

**11. ADJOURN**

**Fishel MOVED TO ADJOURN. Dodds SECONDED, AND THE MOTION CARRIED WITH AN ALL “YEA” ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS: 8 YEAS – Fishel, Matteson, Ryan, Trimble, Acker, Carey, Dodds, & Farniok; 0 NAYS; 0 ABSENT. THE MEETING STOOD ADJOURNED ACCORDINGLY AT 7:10 P.M.**

Minutes submitted by,

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Stacey L. Briney, City Clerk/CMC

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Date Minutes Approved