

## VILLAGE OF RUSHVILLE COUNCIL MEETING

MONTH: April

Meeting Date:

Start Time:

End Time:

**CALL TO ORDER:** THE Village of Rushville Council was called into Regular Session by,

Council Members	Present	Employees	Present
John Burge, Mayor	Yes	Cindy Lewis	Yes
Jennifer Henery	Yes	Jon Browning	Yes
Kate Poston	Yes	Dave Traub	Yes
Matt Schweitzer	Yes		
Ken Dean	Yes		
Steve Lewis	Yes		
Steve June	Yes		

**WELCOME VISITORS:** No visitors in attendance

**MINUTES:** Steve L moved, and Jennifer seconded, to approve the March Regular Meeting minutes. Motion passed. Ken moved, and Jennifer seconded, to approve the March Special Meeting minutes. Motion Passed

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Public Affairs-** Dave is getting estimates for cost of water tap installation from several plumbing companies. Two new employees started today. Paul Spears, resident of Lancaster, who has done work for some residents of the Village, and Jeremiah Eck, resident of West Rushville. We have our new GPS tablet and are waiting for the application to come through. Matt asked if they are both working mornings. John said that until they are trained, they will be working together. After, hours will be split to provide more coverage. Dave said that we have a dumpster. It will go in the drive on the side of the building and will be locked. If Rumpke misses someone, they can call Dave, and they will pick up the trash.

**Finance-** Steve said that he emailed the promised quarterly report to everyone. He said that all of the funds have done quite well. He said Water Fund had a huge expense for Hoskins for electronics at the pump station and water tower. It was budgeted for last year, but due to the timing of the billing, it was paid this year. He also said he sent Fund Accounting 101 so that everyone can understand where our revenues come from and the regular expenses for each. Steve said that he has found a billing system he likes. He would like to set up a time for Jennifer, Cindy, and Ken to view a demonstration with him. Cindy said that she is going to talk to our auditor regarding us doing billing. It opens a whole new audit stream when we are dealing with people's money. He wants to set up a public meeting regarding RITA, with Al there. Meeting set for Tuesday, May 14 at 7:00, pending availability of Township Meeting Room or Lions Club, and Al.

**Historical-** Matt said the church auction is set for May 22 at 5:00 PM, and the information is out. Kate said that there have been 16,000 views on Larry's Facebook. She said that, for safety, we should close the road around the curve. John asked if we are allowed to close the road. Cindy said if we close it at the village limit we are. Otherwise we would have to contact County Engineer's office. It was also decided to block the alley at the Main Street end. We will need Dave, Paul, & Jeremiah to direct traffic. Steve said that for the time needed at time and a half, it would work. John said that his lot at 8300 Main could be used for parking. We should post the closure so that residents are aware.

**Emergency Response-** Steve June said that they are still working on various items. He said that Cindy put the minutes together, and he will get copies for everyone after the next meeting. Jennifer said that the fire department can donate the truck & walkie talkies if they bought them with their money, but not if they were purchased with a grant. John said that we need to look into first aid and CPR training. Cindy said that the fire department offers that training. Also, the sheriff may attend next meeting.

**Grants-** Kate said they are submitting for CBDG grants, which are county grants for smaller villages. They wanted to see an amount of about \$75,000, which will be for the lagoons. Strand helped with this grant, too. John asked if this could be used for buildings, and Kate said not this one. There is also a critical infrastructure grant for up to \$600,00, and the preliminary is due tomorrow. Jamie is going to do it. Full application due in June. Jon pointed out that the sidewalks are in very poor condition in some areas, and we own them. ORC gives us the power to assess the property owner for fixing them. Kate said that it could be on a CBDG grant. John said that we also need storage at the lagoons and the water tower. We could buy two shipping containers and use them for that.

**Municipal Records-** On hold.

**Communications-** Matt said that we will have something on the logo next week. He said that he approached Fairfield County Foundation regarding a grant for our village sign, but that is not something they would do. He has applied for a grant from South Central Power, and their meeting is on the 21<sup>st</sup>. They will not fund the total amount, but if the Village is willing to pay \$200 or 300, they can do it. The historic marker has been ordered. He asked if we could use our old glazed bricks to replace the concrete pad and move the trash can to the end of the benches. This is something Dave and guys can do. He has given information to Dave regarding the locking corkboard to put between the two benches.

**Planning Commission-** Jennifer reported that the Fairfield County Commissioners are funding a model zoning code suitable for townships and villages. We can then adapt that code to our needs. She will be working on that committee.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Resolution 1-2014- Resolution regarding the building at Main St 7 Market- Tabled**

**Fire Department- Jennifer said that they want to add on to the far side of the building. They would need to use the alley that goes from behind the firehouse through the parking lot to Market St. She said most people don't even realize that it is an alley. Jon said that all we need to do is pass an Ordinance to vacate the alley.**

**Community Yard Sale & Village Clean up- It was set for Saturday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Cindy will put ads in the Town Crier. We will also have a micro dumpster available for village clean up.**

**Junk Cars- Jon said that the sheriff's office sent a cruiser and put notices on 3 vehicles. They will be towed this week or early next week.**

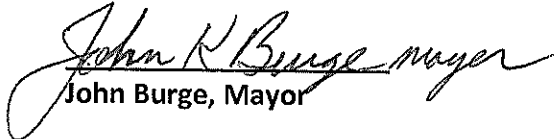
**Building at Main Street and Market Street- Jon said that he spoke with the Mason's lawyer last Friday. He is going to get us a proposal for the Mason's lease in two weeks. He said that the roof is not as bad as we were told. He told Mr. Flutt that we have to own it. The Masons can't afford to fix it, and they don't have access to grants.**

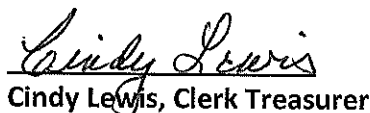
**Trees on Main Street- Matt is working with the Lions Club regarding replacing trees with something appropriate that will not grow as large.**

**PAY BILLS: Matt moved, and Steve J seconded, to pay any and all bills. Motion passed.**

**ADJOURN: Matt moved, and Jennifer seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.**

Signed by:

  
John Burge, Mayor

  
Cindy Lewis, Clerk Treasurer