

**Rising Sun City Council Meeting**  
**Executive Session**  
**April 1, 2010**  
**6:30 PM**  
**City Hall**

The City of Rising Sun, Indiana met in executive session on Thursday, April 1, 2010 in the conference room at City Hall at 6:30 p.m. Those noted as present: Mayor Bill Marksberry, Councilman Lynn Graves, Councilman Mike Padgett, Councilman Roy Powell, Councilman Bud Radcliff, Councilman Steve Slack, Clerk Treasurer Rae Baker Gipson, City Attorney Lane Siekman, and Attorney, Kay Fleming.

I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(b)

“Pending Litigation”

Mayor Marksberry opened the meeting at 6:30 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 6:53 pm.

**Rising Sun City Council**  
**April 1, 2010**  
**7:00 PM**  
**City Hall**

**Call to order/Pledge**

The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Marksberry with all of Council present.

**Minutes**

Minutes of the March 4<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting were distributed to Council and Mayor Marksberry prior to the meeting. After discussion a motion was made by Councilman Powell to approve the March 4<sup>th</sup> City Council minutes as written, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Graves; motion carried 5-0.

**Reports from Boards and Committees**

**Park Board—Jamie Bell**

Park Director, Jamie Bell reported to Council and Mayor Marksberry on March activities. See attached report Exhibit A. Bell stated the fitness trail class will start on April 1<sup>st</sup> and will be taught by Brenda Winters on Tuesdays from 5:45-6:45 and will utilize the trail in the community park. She also reported the Park Board has addressed various building maintenance concerns and the paint project at the Senior Community Building is almost complete. Jamie requested approval from Council to work with the Street Dept and RSMU to fix the remaining lights at the Bearbranch ballpark with the Park Board paying the material costs. After discussion a motion was made by Councilman Graves to approve Bell's request, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Slack; motion carried 5-0.

### **Police Department**

Police Chief, David Hewitt informed Council and Mayor Marksberry about 2010 department training hours. He stated he had picked up the new canine vehicle and is very impressed. He also stated he plans to purchase new vests with funds in the police budget for the entire department because nearly all the vests are beyond the warranty period. There was some discussion regarding how the vehicle replacement fell into the budget. Dave stated the riverboat budget basically only covers the two officers because of the yearly cost of living increases. Clerk Gipson also stated the leased vehicles were a part of a vehicle replacement plan as well and this cost is paid from Council's Riverboat Budget. See attached report Exhibit B.

### **Project Manager**

Northcutt presented Council and Mayor Marksberry with a request from the Re-Cap Façade Grant Design Committee to approve the bid from Appletree Design Works Inc. in the amount of not to exceed \$62,574 for the renovation at 206-210 Main Street aka Hong Kong Kitchen. See Attached Exhibit C. According to Northcutt bids were due March 15<sup>th</sup> and only one bid was received from Appletree Design Works Inc. in the amount of \$92,942 which was over budget. Muller Architects revised the scope of work and worked with Appletree to bring the costs down to \$62,574 with the gutter repairs and paint of the front of the building not included in the Re-Cap project. After discussion a motion was made by Councilman Padgett to approve the bid of not to exceed \$62,574 from Appletree Design Inc., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Radcliff; motion carried 5-0.

### **Rising Sun Regional Foundation**

Ed Sullivan, Executive Director of the Rising Sun Regional Foundation presented a list of quarterly grants to Council and Mayor Marksberry. Sullivan stated in reference to grants awarded for the school; in the past 13 years there have been 66 requests made and 46 have been funded in an amount over one million dollars. He stated RSRF Board members were told that Batesville schools cut \$650,000 from their budget. He stated April 15<sup>th</sup> was deadline for the next grant round.

### **Historic Downtown Main Street**

Amy Hoffman, Director of Historic Downtown Main Street informed Council and Mayor Marksberry there would be a Mayor's Roundtable April 17<sup>th</sup> at 8:00am at Heritage Hall. She presented copies of the Community Newsletter to all. Hoffman submitted a report of activities attached as Exhibit D. She also requested to donate 4 bookshelves to the Ohio County Community Foundation. After further discussion a motion was made by Councilman Powell to approve this request, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Graves; motion carried 5-0. Mayor Marksberry requested Hoffman visit Bill Howard at Toppers Billiards and Pizza for the next newsletter.

### **RSMU—Marty Dennis**

Clerk Gipson informed all that Marty Dennis, Utility Superintendent submitted a Utility report of activities included in information packets.

### **Tourism—Sherry Timms**

Sherry Timms, Executive Director of Tourism gave an update for Council and Mayor Marksberry on tourism activities. She stated the new website is up and running. They sent out 3000 mailers on "Creative Spaces". Timms also reported April 17<sup>th</sup> Rising Sun will be on the Morning Show and WAVE TV. Timms also informed Council and Mayor Marksberry the Rising Sun Arts Council has been dissolved. She has talked with Clerk

Gipson and requests the City take over the finances for this group until the new 501c3 is in order. Clerk Gipson stated she will advertise for an Additional Appropriation for Council's approval at the next Council meeting.

### **Petitions and Comments from Citizens**

There was no one present with petitions or comments.

### **Old Business**

#### **Street Department Utility Truck**

Mayor Marksberry informed Council a grant application had been submitted to RSRF for partial funding to purchase a new utility truck for the Street Department. The cost of the vehicle is approximately \$27,000. RSRF awarded \$13,200 towards the purchase. It was stated this is not a replacement vehicle—the current truck will be kept for tools and concrete work. After discussion a motion was made by Councilman Graves to approve this purchase, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Radcliff; motion carried 5-0.

### **New Business**

#### **Matt Brase—SDS Group, Inc.—Legislative Update**

Matt Brase with SDS Group, Inc. gave a brief introduction of himself to Council and Mayor Marksberry. Matt stated he has been affiliated with the Indiana General Assembly for 20 years. He was Deputy Clerk of the House of Representatives for 6 years. He worked for the State Department of Health for a couple of years and then went to Indiana Association of Cities and Towns from 1998-2008. Matt said he grew to love municipalities as they are the economic engineer of the State. Matt gave an update on the Legislative Session stating that anything with fiscal impact was dead on arrival. He reported on various other proposed bills and noted that Hollywood testified against the City and Grand Vic in reference to land based gaming. Matt stated he enjoyed working for the City this year and if anyone has any questions to give him a call or email him.

#### **Community Event Fund Transfer Request—Civil War Encampment to Quilt Show**

Bill Dichtl, Director of the Ohio County Historical Society & Museum had sent a letter to Council and Mayor Marksberry requesting the funds allocated for the Civil War Encampment be transferred to the Quilt Show. See attached letter Exhibit E. After discussion a motion was made by Councilman Powell to approve this transfer of Community Event Funding, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Graves; motion carried 5-0.

#### **Ohio County Community Foundation—City Endowment Distributions**

Clerk Gipson stated she had distributed information to Council and Mayor Marksberry with 3 different options. After discussion it was requested by Council that Clerk Gipson request Peg to prepare an option for endowment and scholarships to address at the next meeting.

### **Miscellaneous**

Mayor Marksberry informed Council there was a Board Appointment conflict with the BZA statute. Fred Taylor stated he was resigning as a member of the Board of Zoning Appeals, Redevelopment Commission, and Revolving Loan Fund effective immediately. Taylor stated he felt he could do the most for the community as a member of the BZA. After discussion a motion was made by Councilman Slack to accept the resignation of Fred Taylor from these three Boards, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Graves; motion carried 5-0. After further discussion a motion was made by Councilman Graves to appoint Fred Taylor to the Board of Zoning Appeals, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Radcliff; motion carried 5-0. Fred Taylor informed Council and Mayor Marksberry that a Councilman should be a

member of Redevelopment. After some discussion it was determined that this position would be addressed at the next Council meeting.

**Adjournment**

After the reviewing and signing of claims, and with no further business before Council; a motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Padgett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Powell; meeting adjourned at 8:06pm.

Attest:

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Rae Baker Gipson,  
Clerk Treasurer

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William A. Marksberry,  
Mayor

# Exhibit A

<b>RSOC Parks &amp; Recreation Dept. Monthly Report</b>															
	<b>Month: March 2010</b> <b>Prepared by: Jamie Bell</b>														
<b>Programs</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The bike helmet program with the OCEMS kindergarten classes is scheduled. It is being done in 2 phases. Phase I is measuring all of the kids' heads for the correct size of a helmet. This phase has been completed. Phase II is the actual presentation and giving of the helmets.</li> <li>2. The Pitch, Hit and Run baseball/softball program that is offered through Major League Baseball will be Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup> starting at 8:30a at the Varsity Baseball Field in Shiner Community Park. New this year will be that girls compete separately from the boys. I am looking for volunteers!!</li> <li>3. A new fitness class will start April 6<sup>th</sup>. It is called Fitness Trail Class and will be taught by Brenda Winters. The class will utilize the fitness trail in Shiner Community Park. It is on Tuesdays from 5:45-6:45p. The class will run through May 18<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>4. Biggest Loser- There are 130 participants in the program. The total weight lost as of March 19 is 2500 pounds.</li> <li>5. An adult co-ed softball tournament is tentatively scheduled for July 9-11<sup>th</sup> at the Bear Branch ball field. The tournament is being organized through the Bear Branch Fire Dept. for a fundraiser.</li> <li>6. Current Programs are- Children's Dance classes, Martial Arts classes for adults and children, yoga for adults and the Biggest Loser.</li> </ol>														
<b>Projects</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The water softener was looked at by the company that it was purchased and installed through. It is working properly.</li> <li>2. The 2 windows by the stage in the Senior Citizen Center have been ordered. They should be here in 2 weeks. Once those arrive, Rusty Keith will complete the repairs.</li> <li>3. Purchased 2 more recycled trash cans for Shiner Park. These will replace the remaining blue barrels.</li> <li>4. Judy and Norman are stripping and waxing the floors over Spring Break at the Senior Citizen Center.</li> </ol>														
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<b>Repairs</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. There was damage done to the Baseball Field at Bear Branch. The person responsible for the damage will be repairing it.</li> <li>2. Repairs on the floor scrubber at the Senior Citizen Center have been completed.</li> <li>3. Andrea Grimsley completed the trim work around the murals.</li> </ol>														
<b>Comment/Questions</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Street Dept. Supervisor said the Bear Branch Fire Dept. can borrow the temporary orange fencing that is in the barn. Fire Dept. would need to pick it up and return it.</li> </ol>														

April 1, 2010

**DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY AND UPDATES:**

Jan. 2010-April 1, 2010

**Training: David Hewitt- 2hrs of Legal Updates from Dearborn/Ohio Co. Prosecutor  
15hrs of Gov't Relations, Media and Law Enforcement, and  
Successful Leadership from the Indiana Association of  
Chiefs of Police.**

**Brian Browning-2hrs of Legal Updates from Dearborn/Ohio Co. Pros.**

**Frank McIntosh-2hrs of Legal Updates from Dearborn Co. Pros.**

**Wayne Siekman- 2 hrs of Legal Updates, 18 hrs of Street Crimes Training  
from Caliber Press.**

**Rodney Rimstidt-2hrs of Legal Updates, 8 hrs of Mandate Training from  
Indiana Drug Enforcement Association, 18 hrs of  
Narcotics Investigations from the IDEA, and 6 hrs.  
of K-9 training from the Bedford Police Dept.**

**Rick Miller- 2hrs of Legal Updates from the Dearborn/Ohio Co. Pros.**

**Laura Wilhelm- 2hrs of Legal Updates from the Dearborn/Ohio Co. Pros.**

**Ross Colen- 2hrs of Legal Updates from the Dearborn/Ohio Co. Pros.**

**Vehicle: The new K-9 vehicle is in from Summit City Chevrolet. The dealership allowed us \$4000 for the trade in of the 2003 Dodge Durango which was almost \$2000 more than was expected. The purchase price was a little less than \$26,000. Once we upfit the vehicle, it will come in under our projected budget of \$36,000. \$18,000 towards the purchase of the vehicle was through a grant from the Rising Sun Regional Foundation.**

**Vests: We are making arrangements to purchase new body armor for the entire department. Nearly all the vests are beyond the warranty period.**

**Arrests and Charges (including infractions, misdemeanors and felonies): 43**

**Accidents Reports: 14**

**Case Reports: 43**

**Meetings:** City Council Meeting for January and February, Board of Works Jan, Feb and March. District 9 Planning Council February and March, Law Enforcement Task for District 9 February and March, Child Protection Team Meeting for January, February and March, Local Emergency Planning Council for January, Emergency Management Meeting, the Mid-Winter Meeting for the Board of Directors of the Indiana Association of Chiefs of Police and the Southeastern Career Center Program Advisory Committee.

I have also included two press releases regarding some recent investigations that we have been involved with. These were long, difficult investigations, but they are necessary and point out the every growing drug problem and the Rising Sun Police Department's commitment to help stop it.

**Small equipment purchases:** I have purchased small nylon gear bags for each officer to keep in their car to be used as what is commonly referred to as a "go back". The bag will contain items such as extra rifle magazines, ammunition, extra handcuffs, small first aid kits, etc. The idea is for each of the officers to have in a moments notice everything they would need in the event of an emergency or mass casualty such as a school or work place shooting or a natural disaster.

I have also ordered throw bags for each of the officers to keep in their patrol cars. A throw bag is a floating device that holds a long length (70') of rope that can be easily thrown to a victim in the water and assist in their rescue. This is something that the department felt we needed with our proximity to the Ohio River.

F. AARON NEGANGARD  
Prosecuting Attorney

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Dearborn and Ohio Counties  
Courthouse  
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Lawrenceburg, Indiana 47025

### Press Release

On March 16, 2010, the Ohio County Grand Jury issued indictments for Bobby Dunn and Walter Vinson, Jr. Vinson is currently a Deputy Sheriff for the Switzerland County Sheriff's Department, and is a former Deputy Sheriff for the Ohio County Sheriff's Department.

Bobby Dunn was indicted by the Grand Jury for Dealing in a Narcotic Drug, a Class B Felony, Dealing in a Schedule IV Controlled Substance, a Class C Felony, Possession of Cocaine or a Narcotic Drug, a Class D Felony and Possession of a Schedule IV Controlled Substance, a Class D Felony. Walter Vinson was indicted by the Grand Jury for Official Misconduct, a Class D Felony, False Reporting, a Class B Misdemeanor, Conversion, a Class A Misdemeanor, Possession of Cocaine or a Narcotic Drug, a Class D Felony, Possession of a Schedule IV Controlled Substance, a Class D Felony, Assisting a Criminal, a Class D Felony and Obstruction of Justice, a Class D Felony.

The indictments arose from a large amount of drugs that were found on Bobby Dunn when he was arrested for Criminal Mischief on the Grand Victoria Casino for pouring a drink on a slot machine. Dunn was convicted by jury trial in January of this year for that offense. Vinson, who was then a Deputy with the Ohio County Sheriff's Department, seized the drugs and never logged them into evidence nor did he charge Dunn. An investigation was conducted by Detective Rodney Rimstidt of the Rising Sun Police Department, who ultimately obtained the seized drugs from Vinson in January, 2010.

Ohio County Prosecutor commended the Grand Jury and Detective Rimstidt for their hard work. "Detective Rimstidt conducted a very thorough investigation and the Grand Jury carefully reviewed the evidence in this case. They sent a very strong message that no one is above the law and that includes police officers. On behalf of the citizens of Ohio County I am thankful for their service."

*The fact that the defendants have been charged with criminal offenses are only allegations and they should be presumed innocent until proven guilty.*



# **PRESS RELEASE**

**Date: March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

A joint investigation by Detective Rodney Rimstidt of the Rising Sun Police, and Detectives with the Dearborn County Special Crimes Unit over the past three to four weeks has brought to a close the operation of a large drug ring which was operating in Ohio, Dearborn and Switzerland counties.

The investigation resulted in several search warrants, which when served produced a large quantity of illegally possessed prescription pain-killers, with a street value of approximately \$12,000.00 to \$15,000.00, a significant amount of drug money and the arrest of the local kingpin. Charges are pending against a Switzerland county man, 30 year old, Charles Smith of the East Enterprise area.

The investigation revealed a wide network of persons involved in the possession, use and sale of the prescription pain killers including Oxycodone, Oxycontin, and methadone as well as other drugs. Investigators have confirmed that the drugs were from an out of state source and that the drugs and the cash for the purchase of the drugs were transported via US 50 through Dearborn County, and into Ohio and Switzerland counties. Investigators believe that sales of the drugs have taken place in all three southeastern Indiana counties.

Detectives were assisted in this investigation by officers with the Ohio County Sheriff's Department, the Switzerland County Sheriff's Department, Rising Sun Police and Dearborn County Sheriff's Department.

"This was a very intense and complicated investigation, requiring a significant investment of manpower and resources. The cooperation between Detective Rimstidt, the Special Crimes Unit and the other involved agencies was key in bringing this investigation to a successful close." Stated Crimes Unit Detective Tom McKay.

Charges are pending in Ohio County against several individuals, more arrests may follow over the next few days or weeks, and more information will be released at a later date.

The fact that a defendant has been charged with a crime is merely an accusation and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

Anyone wishing to provide information regarding illegal activity in Dearborn and/or Ohio County is urged to call the Special Crime Unit @ 812-537-3571. You do not have to give your name.

*The Dearborn County Special Crimes Unit is funded in part through an Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, and administered by the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute. JAG funding allows states and local governments to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime based on their own local needs and conditions.*

April 1, 2010

**Rising Sun City Council:**

**Mike Padgett**

**Dennis Radcliff**

**Lynn Graves**

**Steve Slack**

**Roy Powell**

**Re: Recap Grant**

**Gentlemen,**

**Today the Design Re-Cap Committee met; in attendance were Mike Northcutt, Kent Abraham, and Bill Dichtl others present Karrah Miller, and Amy Hoffman. The Design Committee recommends City Council approve the Bid of \$62,574 with the condition not to exceed, from Appletree Design Works, Inc. for renovation of 206-210 Main Street know as Hong Kong Kitchen (see attached). Bids were invited to be submitted by March 15, 2010 by 12:00 P.M. to Muller Architects on behalf of Qui Min owner of this property. Only one bid was submitted in the amount of \$92,942. This bid was above our budget for this building. Muller Architects revised the scope of work along with Appletree Design to bring the cost of the project down to \$62,574, with the remaining work not included, gutter repair and paint of the front façade. This work is to be completed by others.**

**The budget generated for the Façade Grant was only a guide, not a commitment to any one property or person. We hope to renovate as many buildings as possible with the funds that are available The Design Committee recognizes the importance of the appearance of this building as a key focal point on our Main Street.**

**Thank you**

**Design Committee**

**Cc. Peggy Dickson  
Steve Robinson  
Kent Abraham  
Bill Dichtl  
Mike Northcutt  
Karrah Miller  
Amy Hoffman**

# Quotation

Mr Paul Muller

Muller Architects

Project: Façade Upgrades-

206-210 Main Street

Rising Sun, Ind

Quotation Date 3-26-10

per muller drawings dated: 2-23-10

Original requested Scope	Cost
Millwork- first floor, doors 01,02, 03 & panels 1 thru 8. including thermal glazing, weatherstripped doors, threshold, commercial grade locks and closers	\$ 38,805
Balcony railing (2 loc) powdercoated steel with decorative rail & balusters and 6" deck projection	\$ 1,825
<b>Subtotal- Millwork Materials</b>	<b>\$ 40,630</b>
<b>Field construction</b>	
Demolish decks and Remove	\$ 750
Demolish doors and window Walls	\$ 750
repair/ replace front floor joist & supply steel angle	\$ 3,000
Provide repair of joists and flooring in restaurant	\$ 1,500
provide wonderboard underlayment and tile in vestibules	\$ 1,500
Millwork installation- lower floor	\$ 6,800
Install balcony railings and sign	\$ 1,200
repair concrete columns	\$ 750
Drop box for trash removal	\$ 600
permits- safety- cleanup	\$ 1,000
<b>Subtotal- Installation &amp; Field construction</b>	<b>\$ 17,850</b>
<b>Indiana Sales Tax @ 7% (deduct if exempted)</b>	<b>\$ 58,480</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 62,574</b>

All quotes are tendered for a period of 45 days

Respectfully Submitted:

J. T. McMahon

Appletree Design Works< inc

7712 Reinhold Drive

Cincinnati, Ohio 45237

513-482-7440

## DESIGN

### RECAP 2.0 (Façade Grant for the MSB-1 district)

- Granted an extension from the State projects need to be complete Dec. 31, 2010
- Changing from a 'grant' check to 'forgivable loan' process

#### Potts

- Bids due for tuck point and painting April 2

#### Hong Kong Kitchen

- Paul Muller created a Description of Work, specs and drawings
- Budget needs to be approved by City Council

#### Old Post Office

- Working on making building owner comfortable with the process
- Could be purchased for \$70,000

#### Foutty

- Completed items: roof, windows and doors
- Barrett Painting will paint after bricks around windows and door are repaired

#### Dibble

- tuck point and painting invitation to bid have been sent to local contractors
- Bid for the Dibble's doors has been approved by the Design Committee and City Council

#### Pendleton Art Center

- Andrea Grimsley has finished Gibson sign
- Waiting for Clayton Painting to finish project

## ECONOMIC RESTURCTURING

### Business Development

- Waiting for the 223-225 Main Street building to be renovated to have further discussions with pharmacy providers
- Focusing on First Fridays to promote our Main Street
- Working on business retention

## ORGANIZATION

### Organizing the creation of a Strategic Plan

- Have had Strategic Plan meetings since June 2009
- Next Strategic Plan April 27, 2010 in Heritage Hall during board meeting

### Preserve America Award

- Sent a draft of our Preserve American Application to SHPO

### Preservation Talk

- Featured speaker: Kent Abraham from Indiana Historic Landmarks
- May 13, 2010 at Noon in Heritage Hall

### Mayor's Roundtable

- April 17, 2010 at 8:00 am in Heritage Hall

## PROMOTIONS

### Rising Sun Newsletter

- First issue the April issue was well received
- Contact Gary Eldridge at [rscommnews@yahoo.com](mailto:rscommnews@yahoo.com) to enter information in the RS Newsletter

### Music on Main

- Streets Closed First Fridays May thru September
- Cruise In flyers distributed
- Grant to the Ohio County Community Foundation for funds to add family entertainment and promotion

### Scavenger Hunt

- Contest created by Janie Eldridge as an on-going activity for our area

### Geocaching Contest

- Creating brochures for the contest this year
- Receiving support from local geocacher to promote event at regional activities

### Motorcyclist-Possibilities

- Roll and Ride
- Mayor's Ride
- Biker Fest
- Cruise In inviting Motorcyclists

### Biggest Loser Contest

- April 10 the last weigh in
- April 14 in Heritage Hall at 6 pm Biggest Loser Contest

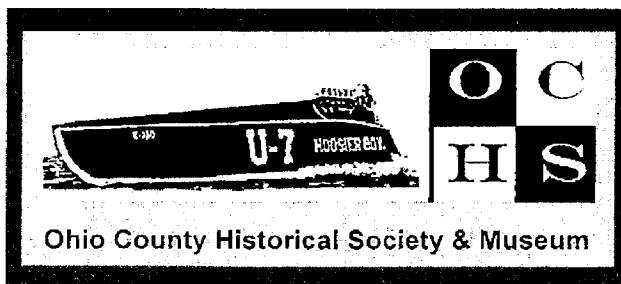
### Rising Sun Calendar

- Created and updated the new [www.risingsuncalendar.com](http://www.risingsuncalendar.com)

## COMMUNITY INVOLVMENT

- Attended the following meetings
  - Revolving Loan
  - Redevelopment
  - Port Authority
  - American in Bloom
  - Board of Works
  - City Council
  - Rising Sun Art Council
  - Rotary
  - Historic Downtown Board
    - Design
    - Economic Restructuring
    - Promotions
    - Organization

Exhibit E



212 S. Walnut Street  
Rising Sun, Indiana 47040  
812-438-4915

February 19, 2010

Mayor Bill Marksberry  
City Hall  
Rising Sun, IN 47040

Dear Mayor Marksberry and Councilmen:

I would like to thank you for your continued support of the Civil War Encampment and the Historical Society. It was a difficult decision to make, but with the reduction in what was requested for the 2010 Civil War Encampment from the city and the 50% reduction from the Rising Sun Regional Foundation we will not be hosting the Civil War Encampment in 2010. I thought about scaling back the event, but decided that we would not be able to put out a good product this year.

I know the decision that each of you had to make in regards to the grants was very difficult. But since we are not doing the Encampment I would like to request that the \$1,200 awarded for the Encampment be transferred to QuiltFest. I appreciate your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

William J. Dichtl  
Director

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