

Minutes of the Regular Arcola City Council Meeting

Monday, January 17, 2005

Acting Mayor Ferguson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Alderpersons Williams, Ferguson, Wheeler, Gentry and Lampe. Alderwoman Kile was absent. Treasurer Harvey and Attorney Moore were also present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Alderman Williams led the Council and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT There was none.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY 3, 2005 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES Alderman Wheeler moved to approve the January 3, 2005 Council Meeting Minutes, copies of which were furnished to each Council member and was seconded by Alderman Ferguson. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 31, 2004 – JANUARY 14, 2005 BILLS Alderman Williams moved to approve the December 21, 2004 – January 14, 2005 Bills as presented and was seconded by Alderman Gentry. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER ADOPTING CAPITALIZATION THRESHOLDS Alderman Ferguson made a motion to have Attorney Moore draw up an Ordinance on Capital Assets and Thresholds. Alderman Wheeler seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

REPORT FROM TIF ADVISORY BOARD The TIF Advisory Board met January 5, 2005 and made the following recommendations to the Council:

1. Approve a \$10,000 Storefront Grant and a TIF Grant to County Line, Inc. owned by Tom Lyons and Ivan Gingerich.

Alderman Ferguson moved to accept the recommendation of the TIF Advisory Board and approve a \$10,000 Storefront Grant to County Line, Inc. Alderman Wheeler seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Alderman Ferguson moved to accept the recommendation of the TIF Advisory Board and approve a TIF Grant for County Line, Inc. Alderman Wheeler seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

2. Approve a 20% Grant for purchase and remodeling of the office building at 310 E. Springfield Road to Clark Real Estate.

Alderman Gentry moved to accept the recommendation of the TIF Advisory Board and approve a 20% Grant to Clark Real Estate. Alderman Wheeler seconded the motion. Roll call vote, Ferguson, abstain, rest all ayes. Motion carried.

3. Allow Shawn Luesse to assume the TIF rebate now owed to Chris Good for the construction of his 20 mini-home development.

Alderman Gentry moved to have Attorney Moore draft an amendment to allow Shawn Luesse to assume the TIF rebate now owed to Chris Good for the construction of his 20 mini-home development. Alderman Williams seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER SPORTS BOOSTERS USING THE PARK CONCESSION STAND Alderman Williams moved to allow the Sports Boosters to use the Park Concession stand during games and was seconded by Alderman Gentry. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Alderman Ferguson moved to go into Executive Session at 7:20 p.m. to discuss personnel. Alderman Williams seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Alderman Ferguson moved to close Executive Session at 7:28 p.m. and was seconded by Alderman Williams. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER MEDICAL LEAVE PAY FOR VICKIE DILL Alderman Ferguson moved to pay Vickie Dill, City Clerk, 2 hours a day retroactive to January 11, 2005 for Medical Leave. To re-evaluate situation on March 7, 2005. Alderman Gentry seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Alderman Williams requested a Park Committee Meeting Tuesday, February 1, 2005 at 4:00 p.m.

Alderman Ferguson had nothing to report at this time.

Alderman Wheeler reported that the Street & Alley Committee met and discussed the areas that are to be improved. They are: Arcola Acres, E. Madison and N. Elm, Arcola Ave. and 2nd South between Pine & Ridge.

Alderman Gentry reported that the Water Committee met and discussed the water main at N. Locust.

Alderwoman Lampe requested a Trash & Recycling Committee meeting February 7, 2005 at 6:30 p.m.

As this concluded the business of the meeting, Alderman Wheeler moved to adjourn and was seconded by Alderman Ferguson. Council approved unanimously by voice vote.

Adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Larry Ferguson, Acting Mayor
Tamara Pruitt, Deputy City Clerk