

**Minutes of the Regular Arcola City Council Meeting
Monday, February 7, 2005**

Acting Mayor Ferguson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Alderpersons Williams, Ferguson, Wheeler, Gentry, Lampe and Kile. Treasurer Harvey, Attorney Moore and Chief Phillips 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 17, 2005 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES Alderman Wheeler moved to approve the January 17, 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 JANUARY 15 – FEBRUARY 4, 2005 BILLS Alderman Williams moved to approve the January 15 – February 4, 2005 Bills as presented and was seconded by Alderwoman Kile. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY TREASURER’S REPORT Alderman Ferguson moved to approve the January Treasurer’s Report as presented and was seconded by Alderman Wheeler. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY ZONING OFFICER’S REPORT Alderman Ferguson moved to approve the January Zoning Officer’s Report with Valuation’s of \$91,200 and Fee’s of \$311.84. Alderman Gentry seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried. Permits were issued to: Dr. J.C. Fishel, W. Springfield Rd., commercial offices.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 05-R-1, A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 04-R-2 Alderman Williams moved to approve Resolution 05-R-1, A Resolution amending Resolution 04-R-2 authorizing the expenditure of funds from the City’s Special Tax Allocation Fund (TIF) for the City’s capital costs. Alderman Gentry seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 05-S-2, AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING CAPITALIZATION THRESHOLDS Alderman Ferguson moved to approve Ordinance 05-S-2 and was seconded by Alderman Gentry. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 05-S-3, AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A REDEVELOPMENT GRANT AGREEMENT(STOREFRONT PROJECT) FOR COUNTY LINE INC. Alderman Ferguson moved to approve Ordinance 05-S-3 and was seconded by Alderwoman Kile. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 05-S-4, AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A REDEVELOPMENT GRANT AGREEMENT FOR COUNTY LINE INC. Alderman Ferguson moved to approve Ordinance 05-S-4 and was seconded by Alderman Wheeler. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER AUTHORIZING BIDS FOR SANITARY SEWER REPAIR ON WEST SIDE – PHASE 3 This item was tabled until next meeting

APPROVAL OF EXTRA STORM SEWER WORK Alderman Wheeler moved to approve the Extra Storm Sewer Work, which will total \$83,710. Alderman Williams seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH CLARK DIETZ FOR EXTRA STORM SEWER WORK ENGINEERING Alderman Wheeler moved to approve the Agreement with Clark Dietz for extra Storm Sewer work and was seconded by Alderman Gentry. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER PAY INCREASE FOR DUSTIN DOWNS ACQUIRING HIS SEWER LICENSE Alderman Williams moved to increase Dustin Downs pay \$0.50 retroactive to January 24, 2005 and was seconded by Alderman Wheeler. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

DISCUSS CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT WITH FORD COMPANY Attorney Moore explained the Lawsuit the City is in against Ford Motor Company. The City did not opt out, which automatically put the City in the Lawsuit. Ford Motor Company will not sell any cars to municipalities that are in the lawsuit. After further discussion, no action was taken. Discussion will continue at the next meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Alderman Williams reported the Sewer Committee met and discussed Phase 3 of the Sanitary Sewer Repair on the West Side of town. Alderman Williams also reported that the sewer is being run at the Street Department.

Alderman Ferguson reported he and Mike Lindenmeyer attended the Douglas County Tourism Board Meeting.

Alderman Gentry reported that the Employee Relations meet and went over resumes submitted for the City Administrator's position. Interviews will be conducted in a couple of weeks.

Alderwoman Lampe reported the Trash and Recycling Committee met and discussed spring clean up.

Alderwoman Kile reported that 2 furnish units were missing from the bay area.

Alderman Wheeler read a letter of resignation effective after the February 7, 2005 Council Meeting. Alderman Wheeler will be moving out of his ward.

Alderman Ferguson stated he appreciated Alderman Wheeler's hard work and also stated that instructions on how to be a write in candidate will be put in the paper.

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

Adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Larry Ferguson, Acting Mayor
Tamara Pruitt, Deputy City Clerk