

THE CITY OF MOMENCE

Momence, IL 60954

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ALDERMEN

Diann Denton	Richard Kupferer
Bonnie Straley	David Cook
Nova Metz	Mark Lesyna
Charles Steele	Steve Puglise

MOMENCE CITY COUNCIL

Monday, April 19, 2010
Council Meeting

Time: 7:30 P.M.

The City Council Meeting of the City of Momence was held in the Council Chambers at 123 W. River Street, Momence. Mayor Mick Porter called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Roll was called by the Clerk with Aldermen Denton, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise present. Also present were Mayor Mick Porter and City Attorney Michael Parish. Alderman Straley was absent.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Alderman Kupferer made a motion to approve the Regular and Executive Session minutes of the April 5, 2010, Council Meeting as presented. Alderman Lesyna seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Alderman Metz passed.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Mayor Porter added one bill from Steele Collision for \$3453.83 for police squad car repair. Alderman Kupferer made a motion to approve the bills for payment with the addition of the bill from Steele Collision. Alderman Lesyna seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Metz, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Alderman Steele abstained.

CITIZEN FORUM

Ted Zapinski – Report on lighting audit. DECO (Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity), will provide incentives for replacement of inefficient lighting technologies. Using their worksheet, it is estimated that a total, one time amount of 9,466.00 would be awarded for implementation of the proposed upgrade. If application is made prior to April 22, 2010, and installation is completed before May 30th, 2010, this amount would be doubled for a total rebate of \$18,933. Occupancy sensors will be installed where needed. The lighting upgrade cost would total \$38,405 minus the audit fee. Mr. Zapinski stated that there will not be an extension offered. Suggestion was to begin the project with all buildings that are not water and sewer, which would be police, city hall and street and alley. His company hires workers and handles disposal. The cost would be \$36,717 minus the \$18,933 rebate leaving the City's cost to be \$17,784.

Ryan Natschke from Main Street Momence requested street closures for cruise nights after 5P.M. on June 8 and 22, July 10, 12 and 27, August 24 and September 14. This request will be placed on the next council meeting's agenda for approval with clarification of streets that are to be closed.

OLD BUSINESS

Alderman Lesyna requested that if any Council member does not want a hard copy of their ordinance book to please notify Alderman Lesyna or the City Collector.

Mayor Porter stated that Alderman Straley will report on funding for fireworks at the next Council meeting.

ALDERMANIC REPORTS

Alderwoman Metz called a Water and Sewer meeting on May 17 from 6:30-7:30P.M. at the Old City Hall.

Alderman Kupferer recommended that the City of Mokenca switch city employee health insurance to Blue Cross Blue Shield through Patrick Zugg Insurance, for comparable coverage and significant savings to the City, effective upon written notice of termination of current health insurance. Alderman Denton made a motion to approve switching from current insurance to Blue Cross Blue Shield. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

Alderman Lesyna: Discuss and vote on Midwest Lighting Service. Alderman Steele questioned if it had to go out for bids. Alderman Lesyna stated that if passed by 2/3 vote of elected officials council can proceed without bids. Previous state grant issues were discussed. It was decided to run a percentage report to see what would come out of general fund and what would come out of water and sewer (infrastructure-water and sewer depreciation reserve fund). The City's cost would be \$17,784. City Collector, Jeannine Blanchette, stated that the Water and Sewer electric bill is over \$17,000 per month. Alderman Lesyna made a motion to contract with Midwest Lighting Service to replace lights for a cost not to exceed \$37,000. Alderman Puglise seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Alderman Metz and Steele voted no. The motion did not pass.

Alderman Lesyna made a motion to pass an ordinance amending an ordinance concerning the city of Mokenca's general penalty and list of fines. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Ordinance was given #676.

Alderman Lesyna made a motion to pass an ordinance amending ordinances concerning penalties in Title 5 Chapter 1. Alderman Cook seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Ordinance was given #677.

Alderman Lesyna made a motion to pass an ordinance amending ordinances concerning penalties in Title 5, Chapters 2, 3 and 5. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Ordinance was given #678.

Alderman Lesyna made a motion to pass an ordinance amending ordinances concerning penalties in Title 8, Chapter 2. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Ordinance was given #679.

Alderman Lesyna made a motion to pass an ordinance amending ordinances concerning penalties in Title 8, Chapters 2, 4 and 6. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Ordinance was given #680.

Alderman Lesyna made a motion to pass an ordinance amending an ordinance regarding parental responsibility for acts of minors. Alderman Puglise seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Ordinance was given #681.

Alderman Lesyna made a motion to pass an ordinance ascertaining the prevailing rate of wages for laborers, workmen and mechanics employed on public works of said city. Alderman Cook seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Alderman Metz passed. Ordinance was given #682.

Alderman Lesyna made a motion to pass an ordinance regulating the sale and possession of smoking materials with respect to minors. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Ordinance was given #683.

Three Ordinances for First Reading are Loitering Ordinance, Director of Public Works Ordinance and Department Head of Streets/Alleys and Maintenance Ordinance, all to be discussed and voted on at the next Council meeting.

Mayor Porter called for Alderman Straley a Local Improvement meeting for May 3 at 6:30P.M. to discuss Main Street's banner proposal, and a Budget and Finance meeting for May 3 at 7:00P.M., both meetings will be at the Old City Hall.

DEPARTMENT HEAD-NO REPORTS GIVEN

MAYORAL REPORT

Mayor Porter appointed Marty Mattocks to the Plan and Zone Commission. Alderman Kupferer made motion to approve the appointment as mentioned above. Alderman Metz seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

Mayor Porter spoke with Ehlers, a firm that creates TIF districts, and Mayor would like a volunteer to work with this firm about the possibility of creating a TIF district for the City of Mokenca. Alderman Puglise volunteered.

Discussion on Meter Reader. It was decided to eliminate the current meter reader position and replace the position internally. The cost of the current meter reader is \$400 a month plus \$100 for gasoline. This will be effective May 1, 2010.

The following liquor licenses were presented for approval: Red Cedar Lanes, Border Town Pub, Inc., Mokenca Finer Foods, Inc., Richard's Tap, Circle K, The Distillery, and Johnnie Angels. Council has to wait until next year to change the fees. Alderman Lesyna made a motion to approve the liquor licenses as mentioned above. Alderman Metz seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman Kupferer made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss contractual, personnel and litigation, possibly to come out and do business. Alderman Metz seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Entered into Executive Session at 8:37P.M. Returned from Executive Session at 9:27P.M.

Alderman Kupferer made a motion to retain Nick Cetwinski for union contract negotiations. Alderman Denton seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

Alderman Lesyna made a motion to reconsider the motion regarding the contract to Midwest Lighting Service. Alderman Puglise seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Metz, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Alderman Steele voted no.

Alderman Denton stated that the sewer depreciation reserve fund is set aside for infrastructure. Alderman Denton made a motion to contract with Midwest Lighting service utilizing the sewer depreciation reserve fund, when the grant is received putting the money back into the sewer depreciation reserve fund for an amount not to exceed \$37,000. Alderman Metz seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Metz, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Alderman Steele voted no. The motion passed by a 2/3 vote of the elected officials.

Alderman Metz made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenene Henson, City Clerk