

# THE CITY OF MOMENCE

Momence, IL 60954

MICK PORTER, Mayor  
JENENE HENSON, Clerk  
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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, July 5, 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. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Kyla Spears, daughter of Quincy and Tammy Spears. Mayor Mick Porter called the meeting to order.

### ROLL CALL

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

### APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Alderman Lesyna made a motion to approve the Regular and Executive Session minutes of the June 21, 2010, Council Meeting as presented. Alderman Puglise seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Alderman Straley passed.

### APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Alderman Cook made a motion to approve the bills for payment. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Alderman Straley passed.

### CITIZEN FORUM

Pam Hart requested permission to use the Pine Street parking lot for vending during Glad Fest on August 13 and 14, 2010. She assured Council that she has a licensed and insured trailer. She will pay \$10 at City Hall and get a registration card to be displayed while vending on above dates. Alderman Straley made a motion to approve Pam Hart's request for vending in the City parking lot on Pine Street. Discussion was regarding whether there are a lot of vendors that do not get a peddlers license. Ordinance states that all vendors should have a vendors/peddlers license. It was suggested to put an article in the local paper reminding/notifying people of the requirement of a vendors/peddlers license through the City. Mayor Porter and Alderman Lesyna to look into handling this. Alderman Metz then seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

### OLD BUSINESS

Alderwoman Straley announced that the Farmers Market will begin July 14, and will run from 4:00-6:30P.M. And that on Friday, July 16, the Kankakee Community Senior Services will be handing out senior citizen coupon books from 10A.M.-12P.M. The coupon books consist of \$21 worth of coupons to use for purchasing fresh produce at any Farmers Market select vendors.

Alderman Steele will place on next Council meeting's agenda to discuss possible MFT bonds.

### ALDERMANIC REPORTS

Alderwoman Straley: Discussed transferring funds to Momence Cultural Center account per request from Margaret Clifton. Payment of workers at the Cultural Center was discussed with the possibility to ask for volunteers in

the future. Alderwoman Straley to get background on donations and how much money the workers are paid.

Alderman Lesyna stated that at tonight's Ordinance committee meeting the following subjects were discussed: electronic attendance (Council will hold on doing this until the move is made to the new City Hall), the u turn signs will be removed on Washington Street because there is no ordinance to enforce them, wind conversion ordinance will be pursued and the Ordinance that states no parking from 10P.M.-5A.M. in Municipal parking lots will be repealed.

Discuss and vote on ordinance regarding tampering with fixtures and hydrants. This amended ordinance adds a \$100 fine if anyone tampers with any fixture or hydrant. Alderman Lesyna made a motion to pass an ordinance amending an ordinance regarding tampering with fixtures and hydrants. Alderman Metz seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Ordinance was given #688.

Discuss and vote on ordinance concerning littering and underage drinking. This amended ordinance is removing one version of an ordinance regarding littering, which is cleaning up the code book. Alderman Lesyna made a motion to pass an ordinance amending ordinances concerning littering and underage drinking. Alderman Straley seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Ordinance was given #689.

Discuss and vote on ordinance concerning all night parking. Alderman Lesyna made a motion to pass an ordinance amending an ordinance concerning all night parking. Alderman Straley seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Ordinance was given #690.

#### DEPARTMENT HEAD

Chief Swanson: Hybrid vehicle is now in service and on the road.

#### MAYORAL REPORT

Vote on Reappointment of Tim Swanson as Momenca Police Chief. Mayor Porter stated that he is seeking a motion to reappoint Chief Swanson, this appointment would stay under the same guidelines, and he noted that it includes no wage increase. Alderman Kupferer made motion to reappoint Tim Swanson as Momenca Police Chief. Alderman Lesyna seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Alderman Steele voted no and Alderman Metz voted no and stated for the record that she wanted a full time Chief.

Former Alderman Jay Kerouac discussed several issues regarding the Freedom of Information Act; whether what Council was going into executive session about was valid and the legality of coming out of executive session and discussing issues that were not on the executive agenda. Mr. Kerouac stated that approximately one month ago Council went into Executive session and came out and did business that was on the regular meeting agenda and he believes this is not the proper way to do business. Council assured him that if this was done it was done in error and that Council in no way intended to hide anything from the Public.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman Kupferer made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss Contractual and Litigation, possibly to come out and do business. Alderman Straley seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Entered into executive session at 8:02P.M. Returned from Executive Session at 8:58P.M.

Alderman Straley made a motion to approve the Laredo and eCourier through the county records at the fee of \$450 per year and \$2 per recorded document. Alderman Denton seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:00P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenene Henson, City Clerk