

THE CITY OF MOMENCE

Momence, IL 60954

MICK PORTER, Mayor
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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, August 2, 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, Straley, Metz, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise present. Also present were Mayor Mick Porter and City Attorney Michael Parish. Alderman Steele was absent.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Alderman Lesyna made a motion to approve the Regular and Executive Session minutes of the July 19, 2010, Council Meeting as presented. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Metz, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Alderman Straley passed.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

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

CITIZEN FORUM

Pete Johns and Shaun Marks asked permission to use the Pine Street Parking lot for food vending (hot dogs and lemon shakeups) during Glad Fest (August 12-14), they are requiring 10 feet of space. They stated that they have their health department sanitation and insurance certificates and that they will acquire the City vending permit. Alderman Cook made a motion to approve Pete Johns and Shaun Marks the use of the Pine Street Parking lot for food vending on August 12-14, 2010. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

Andrew Weybright also asked permission to use the Pine Street Parking lot for food vending (snow cones), he stated that he has his health department certificate and will pay for the permit issued from the City. Alderman Straley made a motion to approve Andrew Weybright to use the Pine Street Parking lot for food vending on August 12-14, 2010. Chief Swanson suggested a diagram be drawn so that all vendors are placed in correct spots at the Pine Street parking lot. Alderman Lesyna seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

Janine Loftus from Main Street Momence presented their monthly report to Council informing them of an update on their revolving loan program presented to the Kankakee County Board (3 loans: Kathy Morris project (they have applied for a facade grant), an equipment loan and a new business loan to Johnnie Angels). The Promotion Committee is working on the downtown Trick or Treat Event and the Christmas Gathering. Mrs. Loftus stated that the awards ceremony will be held on August 30, 2010, 6P.M. at Johnnie Angels Restaurant. The Design Committee has 20 sponsored banners and they need 4 more to place an order. Main Street is working with 11 downtown business owners on facade work, storefront work, painting, carpentry work and window and door work, which will create a big impact for

the curb appeal for these downtown businesses.

Bob Bleyle informed Council of the Christmas Day Dinner Golf Outing being held on Wednesday, September 22, 2010, at South Shore Golf Course. The last three years the Committee has represented the City of Momence for a Christmas Day dinner. The Committee consists of Elaine Saindon, Bob Bleyle and Stanley Jensen, they would appreciate any help from the City of Momence.

Robin Kryzak approached Council stating that they have a group that would like to throw a benefit for Taylor and Abby Bruckman, in memory of their Mom, Michelle Baldwin Bruckman, who recently passed away. Their request was to close down Louise Drive on October 9th from 3:00-11:30P.M. Mrs. Kryzak stated that they have spoken to all neighbors confirming with them that they are OK with the Louise Drive closure and having the block party benefit for the girls. Chief Swanson stated that his concern would be the noise ordinance with the bands that will be performing. Alderman Straley made a motion to approve the closing of Louise Drive for a block party from 3-11:30P.M. on October 9th waiving the noise ordinance. Alderman Metz seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

Jennifer Workman requested from Council to allow the VFM ladies auxiliary to sell poppies on the Saturday of Glad Fest during the morning hours on Washington and Dixie and at the Shell station. Alderman Kupferer made a motion to allow VFW to sell poppies Saturday, August 14, from 8A.M.-12P.M. at the above mentioned locations. Alderman Straley seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

OLD BUSINESS - none

ALDERMANIC REPORTS

Alderwoman Straley stated that the Kankakee County Community Services will be at the Farmers market this Wednesday distributing 70 coupon books for senior citizens and 70 coupon books for low income families allowing them to receive \$21 worth of free fruits and vegetables from participating vendors.

Alderman Straley then stated that a working budget is being put in place. A Budget and Finance Committee meeting was scheduled for 6P.M. on August 16th to discuss the working budget. Department heads were asked to try to cut their budget more.

Alderwoman Metz stated that she has one item regarding Public Works personnel for executive session to possibly come out and do business.

Alderman Lesyna presented a first reading of an ordinance authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) of the City to pay the costs of street, parking lot, sidewalk and lighting improvements within the City. A Notice of intent to issue bonds and right to file a petition will also be published with the ordinance.

Alderman Lesyna presented a first reading of an ordinance repealing the ordinances concerning all night parking on municipal parking lots. Parking lots affected would be the lot East of old City Hall and the lot at Washington and Pine Street. Repealing the ordinance would allow all night parking at these municipal lots.

Alderman Lesyna also presented the first reading of an ordinance amending an ordinance regarding illegal use of vehicles. This amended ordinance repeals present vehicle seizure ordinance and replaces it with an updated more flexible ordinance.

First reading of the Tag Registration Ordinance was tabled until next meeting.

DEPARTMENT HEAD

Scott Behrends stated that the MFT (Motor Fuel Tax) paperwork has been returned back to IDOT (Illinois Department of Transportation).

Chief Swanson informed Council that the troops he spoke to were very appreciative of Momence's part in the

welcoming back of the Army Reserve's 317th Company from Iraq.

MAYORAL REPORT

Mayor Porter reminded Council of the Police Committee meeting scheduled for 6P.M. on August 4th, to discuss employee disciplinary actions, and of the 7:30P.M. special session City Council meeting.

Mayor Porter then stated that there was Court today regarding the City's motion to dismiss the trespass lawsuit at 5 North Dixie Highway that has been filed against the City and that no decision was rendered. Attorneys are in the process of selecting a mediator and going to mediation to hopefully find a way to resolve the 5 North Dixie highway litigation. The Judge made it clear that the owner of the building has the right to enter and exit the building.

Local army Mom, Linda Fawler, has passed away and Mayor Porter received a phone call from her family asking if the City will accept numerous memorabilia from local military men and women to possibly display at City Hall or the Historic House.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman Straley made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss Litigation and Personnel– Possibly to come out and do business. Alderman Metz seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Entered into executive session at 8:10P.M. Returned from Executive Session at 8:26P.M.

Alderman Lesyna stated that Scott Behrends, Director of Public Works, drives his own van for work without compensation and Mayor Porter stated that this was Mr. Behrends's preference. Police Committee meeting times were reconfirmed for 6P.M. on August 4th, to discuss employee disciplinary actions, and a 7:30P.M. special session City Council meeting.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:26P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenene Henson, City Clerk