

THE CITY OF MOMENCE

Momence, IL 60954

MICK PORTER, Mayor
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ALDERMEN

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

MOMENCE CITY COUNCIL Tuesday, September 7, 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 Zane Metz, son of John and Nova Metz. Mayor Mick Porter called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

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

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Alderman Kupferer made a motion to approve the Regular and Executive Session minutes of the August 16, 2010, Council Meeting and the August 25, 2010 Special and Executive Session Council Meeting as presented. Alderman Metz seconded the motion with Alderman Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

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

CITIZEN FORUM

Dan Gero requested permission for the Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive to be held this Friday and Saturday from 7am-12pm in various intersections on Dixie Highway. Mr. Gero stated that he will no longer be in charge of this drive; he introduced Eric Johnson, who will be taking over the tootsie roll drive. Alderman Metz made a motion to approve the Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive for this Friday and Saturday from 7am-12pm in various intersections on Dixie Highway. Alderman Straley seconded the motion with Alderman Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

Mayor Porter asked for permission for Deacon Ron Whitman to bring a Mobile Food Pantry on November 15th, to be held in the City parking lot at 123 W. River Street. The Christmas Day Dinner Committee is sponsoring this mobile food pantry. Alderman Straley made a motion to approve the use of 123 W. River Street for the Mobile Food Pantry on November 15. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion with Alderman Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

Main Street reported on their various committees progress.

OLD BUSINESS

Alderman Kupferer stated that there was a Police Committee meeting on September 3 to consider the appeal by Officer Navratil regarding his conduct during an April report of an DUI incident and a subsequent interrogation. The Police Committee affirmed Chief Swanson's 5 day suspension of Officer Navratil.

ALDERMANIC REPORTS

Alderwoman Straley called a Local Improvement Committee Meeting for 5:30pm on September 13.

Alderwoman Metz stated that there was a Planning and Zoning Public Hearing regarding the comprehensive land use for the zoning map to annex 4 parcels on the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Committee. Parcel located north of Mechanic street annexed as M-2 zoning (manufacturing district). Two parcels located at East Industrial Drive annexed at A-1 zoning (agricultural district). Parcel located west of FutureCeuticals on 1-17 annexed as B-2 zoning (business district). Alderman Metz made a motion to accept the recommendation of the planning and zoning committee to accept the zoning map as a viable zoning map to be part of the comprehensive land use plan and accept the recommendation to annex said 4 parcels of land into City limits. Alderman Straley seconded the motion with Alderman Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Alderman Metz made motion to annex the 4 parcels. Alderman Lesyna seconded the motion with Alderman Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

Alderman Metz called a Water and Sewer meeting for Monday, September 20, at 6PM.

Alderman Lesyna called an ordinance meeting for Monday, September 20, at 6:30P.M. Discussion would be of a dog and cat ordinance (will modify our present ordinance adding cats and incorporate Cook County's cat ordinance) and a \$2000 requested donation, a proposed ordinance regarding licensing of a proposed packaged liquor establishment down- town and liquor and peddler license fees (updating the fees would be the major change). Alderman Lesyna reminded everyone that all city emails need to be sent to cityhall1@cityofmomence.

DEPARTMENT HEAD

Jeannine Blanchette stated that there was an oversight raising garbage charges and to fix this there will be a one time charge of \$14.01 on the water and sewer bill to make up overlooked charges. Mrs. Blanchette then reminded Council that the Christmas Golf and Dinner outing is September 22.

Mark Nelson stated that they are trying deodorizer spray at the sewer plant to help alleviate the smell.

Scott Behrends stated that all the old banners have been taken down and are at City Hall to be picked up by business owners.

Chief Swanson stated that the E-ticket program will probably be delayed until January 1st and new ticket books for traffic tickets will need to be ordered, ticket books are needed as backup if the computer system goes down.

Becky Peterson mentioned that the annual treasurers report is being completed, will be sent to the County Clerk and published in the paper next week.

MAYORAL REPORT

Accept IDOT (Illinois Department of Transportation) resolution as required pursuit of Alternate

Revenue Bond using 50% of MFT (Motor Fuel Tax) dollars for payment. This resolution works hand in hand with intent to receive the alternate revenue bond. Approve this resolution contingent on IDOT's approval of the roadwork the City will do using bond funds. Alderman Kupferer made a motion approve the IDOT resolution. Alderman Puglise seconded the motion with Alderman Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Resolution was given #138.

Discuss and vote on approval to hire Borson Appraisers to appraise the proposed surplus property south of Industrial Drive, approximately 4.56 acres per cost of \$1950. Alderman Straley made a motion to approve Borson Appraisers to appraise property south of Industrial Drive at a cost of \$1950. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion with Alderman Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

Jay Kerouac then stated that the Council is possibly in violation of the open meetings act. Mr. Kerouac then read the 24 items that are accepted that a City Council can go into executive session over. He then declared that nowhere is it stated that Council can go into executive session to discuss contracts that the City is dealing with; the public has a right to know what the proceedings are and what the City is doing. Mayor Porter stated that his belief was that Council is able to go into executive session to discuss personnel, litigation and contractual. It was decided to remove "Discuss and vote on Allied Waste three year contract additions and extension" from executive session until this was looked into further. Alderman Lesyna stated that after referencing the Illinois Municipal handbook he believes Mr. Kerouac may be correct.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman Straley made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss Litigation – Possibly to come out and do business and Personnel – possibly to come out and do business. Alderman Lesyna seconded the motion with Alderman Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Entered into executive session at 8:10P.M. Returned from Executive Session at 8:47P.M.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenene Henson, City Clerk