

# THE CITY OF MOMENCE

Momence, IL 60954

MICK PORTER, Mayor  
JENENE HENSON, Clerk  
MARGARET PETERSON, Treasurer

## ALDERMEN

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

## MOMENCE CITY COUNCIL Monday, December 20, 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 Boy Scouts John Ilg, Tyler Riemenschneider and Frank Salmons. Mayor Mick Porter called the meeting to order.

### ROLL CALL

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

### APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Alderman Straley made a motion to approve the Regular Session minutes of the November 15, 2010, Council Meeting as presented. Alderman Lesyna seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Steele, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

### APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

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

### CITIZEN FORUM

Boy Scout Presentation – Matt Ilg presented to the Council a Boy Scouts of America charter granted to the citizens of the City of Momence. Three Founding members, John Ilg, Tyler Riemenschneider and Frank Salmons were given founders patches and an award was presented to Matt Ilg for starting the troop in Momence.

### OLD BUSINESS

Vote on Confidential Settlement Agreement to be discussed in executive session. Executive Session was not held due to City Attorney's absence.

### ALDERMANIC REPORTS

Alderwoman Metz informed City Council of the resignation of James Rich in the Public Works department. For January's Council meeting it was stated that the meeting scheduled for Monday, January 17, Martin Luther King day, will be held on Tuesday, January 18.

Alderman Lesyna scheduled an Ordinance meeting for Monday, January 3, at 7P.M. to discuss an ordinance concerning smoking in public places in the city of Momence. Alderman Lesyna then reviewed an ordinance amending an ordinance regarding hiring standards for part time police officers. He stated that there was one sentence changed in the ordinance "at the time of hiring the City Council or the current labor contract shall set the wages of the officer", Council will vote on this ordinance at the next meeting.

Discuss and possibly vote on Enterprise Zone. Cost of application was discussed along with legal description and some administrative costs. It was stated that the Enterprise Zone will be useful in generating and sustaining businesses. Sales tax abatements were discussed. Alderman Lesyna stated that Baker and Taylor expressed desire to see the Enterprise Zone in Momence and that Van Drunen stated that if the City pursues any business would be a positive move. Lightening the financial load on companies would be a pro business approach. Sales tax abatement given to purchases of equipment, regardless of size of project was discussed. Alderman Straley thought nice to have something in writing to see what the \$1500 is being used for. It was stated that putting together a legal description of what properties are in the Enterprise Zone is what the \$1500 is for and is a one time fee.

Alderman Denton made a motion for the City of Momence to move forward for a maximum amount of \$1500 for the fee for the legal description and services and giving the mayor approval to sign an agreement for the Enterprise Zone. Alderman Lesyna seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Cook and Lesyna voting yes. Alderman Steele voted no (lack of legal description). Alderman Puglise abstained.

#### DEPARTMENT HEAD

Scott Behrends stated that he and Mark Nelson would like to have a Public Works committee meeting before the next Council meeting if possible, the meeting was scheduled for January 3 at 6:30P.M., this meeting will include the water and sewer committee.

Becky Peterson pointed out that on the last page of the general fund report, it shows excess revenues of \$463,000. Under revenues the accountants have added in the \$450,000 for the bonds. This money is put aside for Motor Fuel Tax bond funds.

MAYORAL REPORT - none

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Litigation was scheduled but due to City Attorney's absence there was no executive session.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:53P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenene Henson, City Clerk