

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, April 4, 2011

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 Straley, Metz, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise present. Also present were Mayor Mick Porter and City Attorney Michael Parish. Aldermen Steele and Denton were absent.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Alderman Straley made a motion to approve the Regular Session minutes of the March 21, 2011, Council Meeting as presented. Alderman Metz seconded the motion with Alderman Straley, Metz, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

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

CITIZEN FORUM

Main Street-Jane Johnson discussed a meeting she will be attending regarding the Landlords Association under the Kankakee County Property Management Association.

Mr. Jay Kerouac questioned the date of the 1981 Momence Packing Contract. Contract addendum's were discussed. Mayor Porter stated that Momence Packing is diligent in paying the expenses of the pretreatment plant.

OLD BUSINESS-none

ALDERMANIC REPORTS

Alderwoman Straley: Discuss and possibly vote on re-bidding the audit to include accounting. Tabled until next meeting. Alderwoman Straley then called a Budget and Finance committee meeting for 6:30PM on April 11, at Old City Hall. She also stated that the committee is working on the new appropriations ordinance but will be instituting a working budget expecting all departments to adhere to this year.

It was also on the agenda to discuss general fund payments regarding Workmen Compensation and Liability Insurance. Looking into more information; tabled until next meeting.

Alderman Lesyna: Discuss and vote on an ordinance regarding Smoking in Public Places. This ordinance will allow police to enforce the state statutes; cannot make it more restrictive than state statutes. Alderman Lesyna made a motion to pass an ordinance concerning smoking in public places in the City of Momence. Alderman Kupferer seconded

the motion with Aldermen Straley, Metz, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Ordinance was given #709.

Alderman Lesyna: Discuss and vote on an ordinance regarding Illegal Burning. Moved permissible burning from health and sanitation section of code book to police section of code book. Nothing was changed in body; title was changed from permissible burning to illegal burning. Alderman Lesyna made a motion to pass as ordinance amending an ordinance regarding illegal burning. Alderman Straley seconded the motion with Alderman Straley, Metz, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Ordinance was given #710.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Mark Nelson stated that Momenca High School will be taking a tour of the Water and Sewer plant on Wednesday, April 6.

Scott Behrends stated that the vacuum has been out, the sweeper is fixed (they will not go out as much), and the chipper will be out soon

Chief Swanson mentioned that the last 30 days has seen an increase in railroad blocking and they are working with Union Pacific to resolve issues. Local municipalities cannot enforce Federal railroads.

TREASURER REPORT

Treasurer Peterson stated that the sales tax for December were received and are up from last year.

MAYORAL REPORT

Mayor Porter stated that Baxter Woodman finalized for approval putting roadwork out for bids regarding the bond fund; IDOT places request for bids out on website, Baxter Woodman sends it out to qualifying companies. Meeting to open bids possibly late May.

Proclamation was read regarding Child Abuse Prevention Month. Mayor Porter proclaimed the month of April 2011, as child abuse prevention month.

EXECUTIVE SESSION-none

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:53P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenene Henson, City Clerk