

THE CITY OF MOMENCE

Momence, IL 60954

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ALDERMEN

Sean Prophet	Richard Kupferer
Bonnie Straley	David Cook
Nova Metz	Mark Lesyna
Charles Steele	Steve Puglise

MOMENCE CITY COUNCIL Monday, August 1, 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 Prophet, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise present. Also present was Mayor Mick Porter.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Alderman Straley made a motion to approve the Regular, Special Hearing and Executive Session minutes of the July 18, 2011, Council Meeting as presented. Alderman Cook seconded the motion with Alderman Prophet, Straley, Metz, Steele, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Alderman Kupferer passed.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Michael Parish's bill was changed to a payment of \$2,258.50. Alderman Straley made a motion to approve the bills for payment including the changed payment to Michael Parish of \$2,258.50. Alderman Metz seconded the motion with Alderman Prophet, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

CITIZEN FORUM

Pat Marcotte (Marcotte's Pizza) – Police Issue's. Filed a complaint last week about property being taken from him, property was returned and he is wondering why nothing was done at the time it happened. It was stated that he was in a partnership with the person who took the item. Officer Short spoke to the other person involved; item was returned. Chief Swanson stated that the officer's understanding was that this was a business relationship and advised that it would be a civil issue. Chief Swanson also stated that Business or Civil issues are not anything that the City will be involved with. Chief Swanson to investigate further and reply back with Mr. Marcotte.

Jay Kerouac - Garbage Concern. The vote taken regarding extending the Allied contract ofr 3 years was questioned. (Motion was 4 yes and three no.) He stated that the assumption would be that the additional 3 years was not legally voted on. The next area of concern was the surcharge for fuel is effective January 1st and July 1st yet it was on the June 1st bill. Fuel charge was then questioned as to how does Allied come up with the date to get a fuel charge cost from; Mr. Kerouac stated that Allied should take an average cost for the last 6 months.

Andrew Weybright approached Council regarding setting up a popcorn and snow cone stand west of NAPA on the south west corner of the parking lot on Washington for Thursday, Friday and Saturday of the Gladiolus Festival (August 11, 12 and 13) during the parades. Alderman Straley made a motion to approve the setup on the dates and location listed above along with the requirement of a peddlers permit. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion with Alderman Prophet, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

OLD BUSINESS - none

ALDERMANIC REPORTS

Alderman Prophet explain his vote of no for hiring Police Chief Swanson stating that it was definitely not personal; he believes the City of Momence would be better served with their own Police Chief.

Alderman Straley: – Discuss and vote on the ordinance for stop signs at Willow and Thomas Drive. Alderman Straley made a motion to approve an ordinance amending an ordinance regarding stop intersections. Alderman Lesyna seconded the motion with Alderman Prophet, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Ordinance # 718. Alderman Straley stated that this Wednesday and next Wednesday the Osterhoffs will be at the Farmers Market selling gladiolus.

Alderman Steele – Discuss and vote on Alternate Revenue Bond Road Work. Opening of the MFT street and improvement bids were done with Baxter Woodman. There were two bids and Kankakee Valley Construction was lowest at \$532,240.57. Gallagher bid was higher. It was stated that a few projects were eliminated: Indiana, 7th Street and Gladiolus (selected patching). Alderman Steele made a motion to approve the bid from Kankakee Valley Construction at \$532,240.57, subject to IDOT approval. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion with Alderman Prophet, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

Alderman Steele stated that the City of Chicago passed an new ordinance stating that any foreclosed bank owned property upkeep is the responsibility of the bank. The bank's managing company mows the yard but that is all. Possibly prepare an ordinance to handle this situation of property upkeep.

Alderman Lesyna called an Ordinance Meeting for 6:45P.M. on August 15 and stated that Council will review executive minutes after next Council meeting.

Resolution that was passed at last Council meeting needs to have a corrected fiscal year therefore, same resolution except for the change of the fiscal year to 2012. Alderman Lesyna made a motion to approve a resolution affirming the transfer of funds from the water and sewer accounts to the general fund account in fiscal year 2012 by the City of Momence, IL. Alderman Metz seconded the motion with Alderman Prophet, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Resolution #150.

First reading for an ordinance amending an ordinance regarding swimming pools. It was stated that the property maintenance code will be changed and a section about clean and healthy pools needs to be included in ordinance.

First reading of an ordinance amending an ordinance concerning removal abatement, and payment of costs of overgrown weeds, grass and plants. Issue with present ordinance states in one section residents have 72 hours to fix the problem and the next section says 10 days.

First reading concerning an ordinance amending an ordinance regarding illegal burning. This ordinance redefines recreational burning. Mayor Porter questioned campfires smoking out neighbors. Chief Swanson stated that it could possibly be a nuisance violation, he will look into further.

First reading of an ordinance relative to the expansion of and participation in the Kankakee County Enterprise Zone boundaries and authorizing the amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement. Public Hearing held earlier in year. Would like to add Momence to the enterprise zone (which includes the Village of Manteno and Kankakee County). The highlight would be the five year real estate tax abatement on new construction or expansion and a sales tax abatement on new equipment purchased. There will be no salary to the enterprise zone administrator (no cost).

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Scott Behrends stated that the pouring of concrete at Dixie Highway/West River Street is scheduled for Wednesday.

TREASURER REPORT – Treasurer Becky Peterson -none

MAYORAL REPORT

Discuss and vote on Liquor License Application for Dixie Wine and Tobacco Shop, Inc. Application is for a pouring liquor license for the newsstand on Dixie Highway. All video gaming will be networked and the State will keep track of every amount put into the machines with the State getting 30% of gross with 5% going to municipalities. Key requirement for video gaming machines is to have a pouring liquor license. Dixie Wine and Tobacco Shop, Inc. will have wine tasting and sell wines in the shop. Under the rules involving the application they will have to upgrade the building handicap access and make a new rear exit; they will need a permit. Alderman Kupferer made a motion to approve liquor license for Dixie Wine and Tobacco Shop Inc., pending compliance with building codes and upon completion and approval of renovations. License will not go in effect until all work is handled. Alderman Cook seconded the motion with Alderman Prophet, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman Kupferer made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss Personnel – Possibly to come out and do business. Alderman Metz seconded the motion with Alderman Prophet, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Entered into executive session at 8:15 P.M. Returned from Executive Session at 8:35P.M.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenene Henson, City Clerk