THE CITY OF MOMENCE

Momence, IL 60954

MICK PORTER, Mayor JENENE HENSON, Clerk MARGARET PETERSON, Treasurer ALDERMEN
Diann Denton
Bonnie Straley
Nova Metz
Charles Steele
Richard Kupferer
David Cook
Mark Lesyna
Steve Puglise

MOMENCE CITY COUNCIL Monday, December 17, 2012 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, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise present. Also present was Mayor Mick Porter.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Alderman Cook made a motion to approve the Regular Session minutes of the December 3, 2012, Council Meeting as presented. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion with Alderman Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Alderman Denton passed.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

The bills were discussed at tonight's Budget and Finance Committee Meeting. Alderman Straley made a motion to approve the bills for payment. Alderman Metz seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

CITIZEN FORUM

Monty Buchanan – Concerns about smoke/carbon monoxide alarms. Handout was discussed. Monty Buchanan could not attend meeting.

OLD BUSINESS none

ALDERMANIC REPORTS

Alderman Straley: Discuss and vote on the Tax Levy Ordinance. Not going above 5%. Alderman Straley made a motion to approve the Tax Levy Ordinance. Alderman Lesyna seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Ordinance # 754. Alderman Straley called a Budget and Finance Committee meeting for January 7, at 7:15PM to discuss bills.

Alderman Lesyna: Discuss and vote on participating in the State's Debt Recovery Program. Mrs. Demack, Assistant City Collector, researched how the collection agency is going to be involved with State Debt Recovery which currently charges the city 35% of funds recovered. Using the Debt Recovery, The City's Collection Agency (MCSI) will charge 17%. The city will save money not having to update liens on property as expenses go up. Anything that already has liens cannot be included in the State Debt Recovery program. Alderman Lesyna made a motion to pass a resolution approving an intergovernmental agreement with the Illinois Office of the Comptroller for collections of tax and non-tax debt. Alderman Denton seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Resolution #158.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Scott Behrends stated that Street and Alley Department chipped again, it took a couple of days. Police station construction/repairs to be completed tomorrow.

Chief Swanson commended Scott Behrends on a great job done at the police station. Police Department will be receiving two new vehicles soon, to be in service within 30 days. Chief stated that he has contacted the 3 principals at Momence Schools regarding recent events with school shootings. He stated that the Police are trained annually in rapid response. Chief will continue working with schools.

TREASURER REPORT – Treasurer Becky Peterson stated that sales tax receipts have increased, \$24,500 ahead of last year. State income tax payments are behind 4 months but coming in regularly. Mayor Porter questioned online gambling asking if we received payment from state. Treasurer Peterson stated that the City has received nothing as of yet.

MAYORAL REPORT none

EXECUTIVE SESSION - none

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:42P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenene Henson, City Clerk