

# THE CITY OF MOMENCE

Momence, IL 60954

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

## ALDERMEN

Diann Denton	Richard Kupferer
Carolyn Navratil	David Cook
Nova Metz	Mark Lesyna
Charles Steele Jr.	John Metz Sr.

## MOMENCE CITY COUNCIL

Monday, April 4, 2016

Council Meeting

Time: 7:30 P.M.

The City Council Meeting of the City of Momence was held in the Council Chambers at 29 N. Dixie Highway, Momence. Mayor Mick Porter called the meeting to order.

### ROLL CALL

Roll was called by the Clerk with Aldermen Denton, Navratil, Nova Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook and John Metz present. Also present was Mayor Mick Porter. Alderman Lesyna was absent.

### APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Alderman Cook made a motion to approve the Regular and Executive Session minutes of the March 21, 2016, Council Meeting as presented. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion with Aldermen Denton, Navratil, Nova Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook and John Metz voting yes.

### APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

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

### CITIZEN FORUM

Dennis Reaman – Street Closure for Main Street Momence for the following events: Cruise Nights, Bordertown Hauntings and the Christmas Gathering. Mr. Reaman also requested that the City of Momence put up the street closure notification signs by 8a.m. on the day of the Bordertown Haunting and Christmas Gathering. Alderman Cook made a motion to allow the street closures requested from Main Street Momence. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion. Motion carried with 7 Ayes and 0 Nays.

Bruce Cowhig addressed Council regarding Kankakee River Trails; he is working with adhoc committee, which is working with Northwest Indiana Paddling Association. Association proposes to designate the entire river as a national water trail. This designation would be from the national park service and would potentially attract avid paddling, canoe and kayak enthusiasts to the river. Several local communities are interested. This designation doesn't obligate localities to do anything. Signage could designate camping and beverages spots. Website ([nwipa.org](http://nwipa.org)) available for more information, the Water Trail proposal is located on this website. Put on next meeting agenda for vote.

OLD BUSINESS - none

## ALDERMANIC REPORTS

Alderman Denton called a Budget and Finance Committee meeting for April 18 at 7:15PM.

Alderman Nova Metz received a phone call last week regarding 312 N Locust Street. There are two ash trees that are believed to be on City property and they are dead. It was requested to see if the City can remove these trees. The alley between 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> street has several areas that need gravel. Both of these items will be looked in to.

Alderman Steele reported that street and alley are out with chipper daily and are taking care of leaves as necessary.

Alderman Kupferer called a Police Committee meeting to discuss personnel 7PM, April 18.

Alderman Cook: Discuss and Vote on Golf Cart Ordinance. There will be designated weekends to get golf cart/utility/off highway vehicles inspected. If citizens do not come during the designated times, then the fee will double, unless cart is purchased after designated dates. Alderman Cook made a motion to pass an ordinance concerning late registration of golf cart/utility/off highway vehicles. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion with Aldermen Denton, Navratil, Nova Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook and John Metz voting yes. Ordinance # 813.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS - none

TREASURER REPORT – Treasurer Becky Peterson stated no financial information is available yet and that Tyler Tech has been working on it since February.

## MAYORAL REPORT

Park District has approved use of park for fireworks display and will be placed on agenda for next meeting to sign contract with Melrose Pyrotechnics. City has received liquor licenses; there is a new requirement in which all employees that handle liquor have to have BASSET training. On April 7, Berkots is offering free training and certification at City Hall.

Mayor Porter declared April, 2016, as Child Abuse Prevention Month and read the proclamation. Alderman Nova Metz made a motion to approve April as Child Abuse Prevention month. Alderman Denton seconded the motion. Motion carried with 7 Ayes and 0 Nays.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - none

Alderman Cook made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Denton seconded the motion with Aldermen Denton, Navratil, Nova Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook and John Metz voting yes. Meeting adjourned at 7:50P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenene Henson, City Clerk