# 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
Diann Cook
Nark Lesyna
Steve Puglise

MOMENCE CITY COUNCIL Tuesday, February 19, 2013 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 February 4, 2013, Council Meeting as presented. Alderman Lesyna seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

### 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 Kupferer seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

#### CITIZEN FORUM

Brandy Pepin (Paul Mitchell School) is requesting a tag day in Momence to help raise money for charities. It was stated that one was done in the past with a good turnout. Looking for a date in April either Friday or Saturday. Day was switched last year because of weather. Possible date would be April 19, at the following intersections: Dixie-1-17 by Shell Gas Station, Dixie and Second Street and Dixie and River Street, from 8AM to 1PM. Alderman Straley made a motion to approve tag day by Paul Mitchell School-Trend Setters for April 19 from 8:00AM-1:00PM at 3 sites listed above. Alderman Metz seconded the motion. Motion carried with 8 Ayes, 0 Nays.

#### **OLD BUSINESS - none**

#### ALDERMANIC REPORTS

Alderman Straley: Called a Budget and Finance Committee meeting to go over bills, for Tuesday, March 5, at 7:15PM. Discuss and possibly vote on options concerning Auditor Contract with Sikich. Alderman Straley stated that Lou Karrison has retired from Sikich and Sikich has agreed to let Lou Karrison take the City's contract. Last year's price will be honored by Mr. Karrison which is a \$300 savings to the City. Alderman Straley made a motion to accept Lou Karrison as City Auditor with the stipulation that a letter will be

received from Sikich transferring the contract and a letter from Lou Karrison accepting to contract with the City. Alderman Lesyna seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

Alderman Steele called a Street and Alley meeting for Friday, March 22, at old City Hall to discuss equipment.

Alderman Cook: Discuss and vote on support for the Local Improvement parking lot projects. At tonight's Local Improvement meeting the committee discussed grant applications that the Master Plan Improvement Committee is making for improvement of River Street parking lot. Cost estimate is for everything presented on proposal and it intended for grant purposes only, the City will only do what is approved by the matching grant with a possible drawing generated for grant. Grant due March 1<sup>st</sup> and letter of support from City is needed stating we support this process. Maximum can be applied for is \$10,000, prior year application received \$4,000. Alderman Cook made a motion to allow Mayor Porter to enter into a letter of support for the grant application. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

Discussed potential to resolve Norfolk Railroad closing with a possible land swap between estate of George Duguay and Jack Metz.

Alderman Lesyna called an Ordinance meeting for March 5 at 6:45PM to discuss potential truck route within City to help preserve streets, business licenses, amend local banks for City deposit, for sale signs on vehicles and to look into truck ordinance. Paragraph in code created in 1979 talking about contract for public improvements (look at to see how to amend it).

# DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Chief Swanson stated that the Citizens Police Academy has started and consists of 2 groups, about 40 people total. Regarding local improvement committee, police did order signs restricting truck parking on River Street and maybe refer them to water tower on south side of town. Speaker phone has been installed at Council Chambers - only one person can call in. Still waiting to hear from company regarding auction sales of police cars.

TREASURER REPORT – Treasurer Becky Peterson - none

MAYORAL REPORT none

**EXECUTIVE SESSION none** 

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:50P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenene Henson, City Clerk