

THE CITY OF MOMENCE

Momence, IL 60954

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ALDERMEN

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

MOMENCE CITY COUNCIL Monday, March 21, 2016 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, Navratil, Nova Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and John Metz present. Also present was Mayor Mick Porter.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Alderman Cook made a motion to approve the Regular and Closed Session minutes of the March 7, 2016, Council Meeting as presented. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion with Aldermen Navratil, Nova Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and John Metz voting yes. Alderman Denton passed

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

The bills were discussed at tonight's Budget and Finance Committee Meeting with one bill being added from Steele Collision. Alderman Denton made a motion to approve the bills for payment with the addition of a bill from Steele Collision for police maintenance in the amount of \$1079.51, coming from account 10-45-70.07 vehicle maintenance. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion with Aldermen Denton, Navratil, Nova Metz, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and John Metz voting yes. Alderman Steele abstained.

CITIZEN FORUM - none

OLD BUSINESS

Alderman John Metz addressed Council regarding receiving insurance checks for a wrecked squad car. Chief Cavender stated they have received three checks.

ALDERMANIC REPORTS

Alderman Denton called a Budget and Finance Committee meeting for 7:15PM, April 4, 2016.

Alderman Nova Metz received a citizen call regarding tree stumps that are at several

locations throughout the town. If they are on City property, they will be taken care of. Commonwealth Edison will not clear out stumps that they have taken down. Supervisor Scott Behrends will look into further. .

Alderman Steele: Discuss and Vote on purchase of new tractor for Public Works through the State Purchasing Program. Street and Alley meeting held tonight to discuss purchasing a John Deere Tractor at a cost of \$16,100 a year for a 5 year lease and adding on brackets and snow blade to be used for more than alleys. Alderman Steele made a motion to accept the lease program in the amount of \$73,986, 5 year lease to own. Alderman Cook seconded the motion with Aldermen Denton, Navratil, Nova Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and John Metz voting yes. Alderman John Metz passed.

Alderman Steele called Executive Session regarding personnel possibly to come out and do business.

Alderman Kupferer: Discuss and vote on hiring a full – time Police Officer. August LeBeau is being looked at as a potential full time police officer. Currently, he is a part time police officer, he left the department before because he did not respond very well to training; he resigned and was rehired in January of this year. Alderman Kupferer made a motion to hire August LeBeau as a full time police officer effective March 30, 2016, at \$38,610 pursuant to collective bargaining agreement. Alderman Lesyna seconded the motion with Aldermen Denton, Steele, Kupferer, Cook and Lesyna voting yes. Alderman Navratil, Nova Metz and John Metz voted no.

Alderman Lesyna: Frist reading of Amending Golf Cart Ordinance. The non-refundable registration fee will be \$25 with a dated, proof of purchase document, for any golf cart/utility/off highway vehicles purchased during the fiscal year thereof. Two days spent last year designated to registration with minimal amount of people showing up. Setting up three different time frames to be available for citizens, after May 30, the fee will go up to \$50. There is a fine of \$250 for being unregistered. Discuss and vote at next meeting, Alderman Cook with present Golf Cart Ordinance at next Council meeting.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Tina Demack: They are working with BillPay to get it up and running.

Scott Behrends: Started fixing southside sewer line (400 feet of pipe). Pre-construction meeting for southside water line, supposed to be starting soon. Com Ed is running poles down Second Street through alley and up Fourth Street, some trees will be taken down. Com Ed will clean up mess minus the stump.

Chief Cavender stated that beginning the first week of April, code enforcement spring cleanup initiatives will start consisting of surveying the town, identifying areas of concern with letters being sent out seeking compliance. Police Department had first cadet information meeting with 5 students from Momence applying, start interview process soon. Last weekend 20 tires were slashed, Chief commended residents for cooperation and police officers for an excellent job.

TREASURER REPORT – Treasurer Becky Peterson

MAYORAL REPORT

Discuss and vote on liquor license approval for Casey's General Store. Alderman Lesyna made a motion to approve the liquor license (Class B & C) for Casey's General Store. Alderman Cook seconded the motion with Aldermen Denton, Navratil, Nova Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and John Metz voting yes.

Discuss and vote on AGREEMENT FOR PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING SERVICES for 7th Street Road Expansion from Maple Street to Locust Street. Engineers: Norfolk requires that they review specifications to see how it will affect them. Norfolk has the right to review; City would have to reimburse expense if there is one, which could be reimbursed from grant money with a maximum of \$13,500. Engineering has been started; it was stated that City has to finalize all land acquisitions, and expects it to be completed soon, as quit claim deed is being finalized and consensus has been reached on other parcel of land. Engineering review by Norfolk, ICC approves. Mayor Porter stated \$327,000 grant would hopefully be more than enough to cover expense of the road. Alderman Lesyna made a motion to approve Mayor Porter signing the agreement for the preliminary engineering services for 7th street road expansion from Maple Street to Locust Street. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion with Aldermen Denton, Navratil, Nova Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook and Lesyna voting yes. Alderman John Metz passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman Kupferer made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss the employment and compensation, of specific employees of the public body with the potential of actions on matters discussed in closed session. Alderman Denton seconded the motion with Aldermen Denton, Navratil, Nova Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and John Metz voting yes. Entered into Executive Session at 8:00P.M.; returned from Executive Session at 8:08P.M.

Scott Behrends also stated that approximately 2 weeks ago, well #6 shafts broke and could possibly be reimbursed from Com Ed because of recent power surge.

Alderman Steele made a motion to hire Jacob Snapp with a starting salary of \$13 an hour and individual insurance. Alderman Nova Metz seconded the motion with Aldermen Denton, Navratil, Nova Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and John Metz voting yes.

Alderman Denton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Nova Metz seconded the motion with Aldermen Denton, Navratil, Nova Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and John Metz voting yes. Meeting adjourned at 8:11P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenene Henson, City Clerk