

# THE CITY OF MOMENCE

Momence, IL 60954

CHARLES E. STEELE, JR., Mayor  
CHRISTY RITTER, Clerk  
Treasurer

## ALDERMEN

Melissa Doody  
Avelino Vela  
Romel Huddelston  
Leo (Todd) Clark

Tanya Fordahl  
David Cook  
Tom Temple  
Mark Lesyna

## MOMENCE CITY COUNCIL Monday, April 1, 2024 Council Meeting

**Time: 7:30 P.M**

The City Council Meeting of the City of Momence was held in the Council Chambers at 29 North Dixie Highway, Momence.

### ROLL CALL

Roll was called by the Clerk with Aldermen Doody, Vela, Huddelston, Fordahl, Cook, Temple and Lesyna present. Alderman Clark was absent.

### APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Alderman Cook made motion to approve the minutes of March 18, 2024. Alderman Doody seconded the motion with Aldermen Doody, Vela, Huddelston, Cook, Temple and Lesyna voting yes. Alderman Fordahl passed.

### APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Alderman Doody made motion to approve the bills for payment. Alderman Vela seconded the motion with Aldermen Doody, Vela, Huddelston, Fordahl, Cook, Temple and Lesyna voting yes.

### CITIZENS FORUM –

#### **Old Business –**

#### **Aldermanic – Alderman**

Alderman Huddelston – Momence Café requested a handicap parking space. This needs to be added to the ordinance to create a handicap space in front of the business. Alderman Huddelston made a motion to create the ordinance to add the handicap space in front of Momence Café. Alderman Cook seconded the motion along with Aldermen Doody, Vela, Huddelston, Fordahl, Cook, Temple and Lesyna voting yes.

Scott asked Alderman Lesyna to check on the ordinance for handicap spots, to see if the spots are actually listed on the ordinance.

Alderman Doody – Budget and Finance, April 15, at 7:15 PM

Alderman Temple requested executive session to discuss employment and compensation, possibly come out to do business

Alderman Cook – Planning and Zoning Commission met to discuss a request for 304 E. Third Street, to split the lot into two lots. Owner wants to be able to build on the other half. Alderman Cook made motion to approve. Alderman Temple seconded the motion along with Aldermen Doody, Vela, Huddelston, Fordahl, Cook, Temple and Lesyna voting yes.

Alderman Cook – Lions Club Park has been given to the City of Momence. Vandrunen is willing to help with maintaining. Local Improvement has funds to hire for maintaining the shrubs, flowers. School district will continue to mow, good working relationship with the school district. Lions Club sign will be changed. An easement will need to be pursued, so nothing can be built on the area. Alderman Cook made motion to approve. Alderman Lesyna seconded the motion along with Aldermen Doody, Vela, Huddelston, Fordahl, Cook, Temple and Lesyna voting yes.

**Department Heads** –Scott – asked when the budget information needs to be turned in. Alderman Doody answered in the next month. The appropriation is first.

Chief Siemson – working on the policy manual, ordinance violations (there were a few tickets issued on roofs), thank you to Republic Garbage for assisting in clean up. Inquired about a city clean-up day – city has the ability to get 4 dumpsters from Republic each year. Council decided to get one now, April 25-29, to help with violations.

**Treasurer report** –

**MAYORAL REPORT** – water surveys – everyone in town received a survey. City employees will be coming around to the houses that did not respond.

Planning and Zoning appointments – due to vacancies on the committee, the following will be appointed to the committee:

- 1.Scott Starkey
- 2.Aaron Billadeau
- 3.Henry Vincent

Alderman Cook made motion to approve. Alderman Temple seconded the motion along with Aldermen Doody, Vela, Huddelston, Fordahl, Cook, Temple and Lesyna voting yes.

Fireworks – July 3 pending park board. Alderman Lesyna made a motion to approve. Alderman Cook seconded the motion along with Aldermen Doody, Vela, Huddelston, Fordahl, Cook, Temple and Lesyna voting yes.

Alderman Temple made motion to move into executive session. Alderman Doody seconded the motion along with Aldermen Doody, Vela, Huddelston, Fordahl, Cook, Temple and Lesyna voting yes.

Adjourned to executive session 7:57 PM

Returned to open session 8:26 PM

Alderman Cook made motion to adjourn. Alderman Huddelston seconded the motion Aldermen Doody, Vela, Huddelston, Fordahl, Cook, Temple and Lesyna voting yes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:26 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Christy Ritter, City Clerk