

THE CITY OF MOMENCE

Momence, IL 60954

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Josh Anderson	Tom Temple
Mike Hart	Mark Lesyna

MOMENCE CITY COUNCIL
Monday, June 1, 2026
Budget and Finance Committee

Time: 7:16 P.M.

ROLL CALL-

Roll was called by the Clerk with Aldermen Straley, Lesyna, Hart and Cook present.

Bills to be paid were discussed, no questions asked. Appropriation Ordinance will be discussed and voted on in council meeting tonight. Alderman Straley did discuss next they will be working on the budget. She explained we need to post it for 14 days and will need a public hearing before approving budget. Alderman Straley did address the department heads to get budgets in and to pay attention to the appropriation ordinance while doing so.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:18pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Amber Lupe, City Clerk



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Monday, June 1, 2026

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, Straley, Anderson, Hart, Fordahl, Cook, Temple and Lesyna present.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES-

Alderman Anderson made motion to approve the minutes. Alderman Straley seconded the motion with Aldermen Doody, Hart, Fordahl, Cook, Temple and Lesyna voting yes.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS-

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

CITIZENS FORUMS-

Nothing for Citizens Forums.

OLD BUSINESS-

Nothing for old business.

ALDERMANIC-

Alderman Straley- Appropriation Ordinance has now been posted 14 days.

Alderman Straley made a motion to approve the Appropriation Ordinance 901. Alderman Doody seconded the motion with Aldermen Anderson, Hart, Fordahl, Cook, Temple and Lesyna voting yes.

Alderman Straley also called a Budget and Finance meeting for June 15, 2026 at 7:15pm.

Alderman Straley also brought up motorized scooters and referred to City Attorney Agee to discuss.

-issue in town from residents and board.

-Paying attention to senate bill 3336 that may be passed until January 1, 2027. According to Attorney Agee,

this bill will severely restrict these.

-Motorized bikes must comply with all bicycle statutes. (Hand signals, lights at night such as reflectors need to be enforced) 3 Classifications. Up to 28mph (18 to use, DL, insurance hopefully, registered) May operate on street not sidewalk and must follow rules of road. Class one- assistance up to 21mph. Class 2-motor only propels it. Class 3- not discussed.

*If a police officer stops them, they must have a sticker on it stating which classification it is.

2 citizens did voice opinion that education is needed on riding scooter and e-bikes.

One citizen claimed to have had an officer act aggressively when addressing her child. Alderman Anderson explained we do take that behavior very seriously and will look into it and get it taken care of.

Alderman Anderson- Sewer Plant broke ground. Requested executive session for contractual to possibly come out and do business.

DEPARTMENT HEADS-

CHIEF OF POLICE (Patrick Siemsen)-

-Swearing in of 3 new officers David Gryczewski, Robert Fitzgerald and Christopher Sanchez.

-Chief Siemsen also went over month of May Stats.

-He stated his Budget is done.

-Discussed 2nd round of union negotiations coming up.

-Still handling grass cutting, mostly residential.

Eric Vela-

-Heavy Machinery down at plant and breaking ground. Stating next week it will look like bomb went off due to dynamite blasting. Working with subcontractor on going door to door to get word out. Chief Siemsen will also add something to Facebook. They will be starting June 8th and blasting for 2 weeks. Currently, rearranging day to day operations due to last minute prep needed in order for a smooth transition next week.

-They have two part-time kids helping this summer.

-Ford and Sons is about half way done on 2nd street. We are out about 3 weeks before county starts paving 2nd street.

-Still waiting to hear from insurance on how roofs go. None are leaking, but do have damage that needs repaired.

Tina Demack-

-Still learning about system, not a lot of time to train. Financial Portion: GL and AP (Accounts Payable) will go live at end of month. Should eliminate a lot of double duty they are doing now. Only concern is internet. With the last storm, they were down all day and the next day intermittent with no explanation as to why. With this going on to the cloud, no internet means they cannot work.

TREASURER REPORT-

Bobbie Munyon, nothing to report.

MAYORAL REPORT –

Mayor Steele discussed Ice Cream Truck Peddler. They have been in town 2 years. They will not be running a background check on them. They will run one on the new hire. Demack did discuss a mom, daughter and son are running it and the son is joining.

Mayor Steele stated “we need a motion to vote on Ice Cream Truck Peddler License.” Alderman Straley stated “so moved.” Alderman Doody seconded the motion with Aldermen Anderson, Hart, Fordahl, Cook, Temple and Lesyna voting yes.

Mayor Steele discussed the motion to go into executive session for Alderman Anderson’s request. Alderman Cook stated “so moved.” Alderman Doody seconded the motion with Aldermen Straley, Anderson, Hart, Fordahl, Temple and Lesyna voting yes.

Council went into Executive at 8:03pm.

Council came out of executive to open at 8:45pm

Alderman Doody made motion to adjourn. Alderman Straley seconded the motion with Anderson, Hart, Fordahl, Cook, Temple and Lesyna voting yes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:46PM

Respectfully submitted,

Amber Lupe, City Clerk

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Amber Lupe', is written over the typed name.