

# THE CITY OF MOMENCE

Momence, IL 60954

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

## ALDERMEN

Melissa Doody  
Avelino Vela  
Romel Huddelston  
Leo (Todd) Clark

Tanya Fordahl  
David Cook  
Tom Temple  
Mark Lesyna

## MOMENCE CITY COUNCIL Monday, June 3, 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, Clark, Fordahl, Temple and Lesyna present. Alderman Cook was absent.

### APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Alderman Doody made motion to approve the minutes of May 20, 2024. Alderman Lesyna seconded the motion with Aldermen Doody, Vela, Clark, Fordahl, Temple and Lesyna voting yes. Alderman Huddelston 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, Clark, Fordahl, Temple and Lesyna voting yes.

CITIZENS FORUM – Tanny Hernandez requested closure of the alley from Washington to their property line for the following dates:

June 9, 1PM-9PM

June 23, 12PM-7PM

July 13, 5PM-11PM

August 10, after the festival parade – 10PM

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

Steve Gross – community garage sales June 13-15, fee waived. Heritage Day June 15, noon – 4PM, opening ceremony will be at the Graham House. Tina to add to My Momence application.

**Old Business** – Doody, appropriation budget changes discussed: police car maintenance increased, Medicare #'s increased, city hall IT cost/equipment increased, police chief salary was incorrect will be corrected. Corrections will be made, this will be posted, hearing will be June 17.

**Aldermanic** – Alderman Temple requested an executive session to discuss litigation

Alderman Doody – Appropriation hearing, June 17 at 7PM, BF meeting 7:15PM June 17

**Department Heads** – Tina – MFT 2019-2023 audit passed. Lisa needs to finish balancing. Scott – 3 hydrants are leaking, cannot get the parts to repair. Spray patching is happening on the southside depending on weather. Working with the MFT engineers.

Chief Siemson – thank you to Scott, Romel and Republic with their assistance on the ordinance violations. Attorney is working on the ordinance violations. 170 golf carts registered this year. Grant approved for Narcan.

**Treasurer report** –

**MAYORAL REPORT** – grocery tax, State of Illinois is giving the grocery tax to each municipality. Mayor indicated we do not need to keep it, but if we do we need an ordinance created to do it in an appropriate time frame. Alderman Lesyna indicated we are not a “home rule” community, can we tax? Tina mentioned there was an email sent discussing this.

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

Adjourned 7:54 PM

Returned to open session 8:29 PM

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

**Meeting adjourned at 8:29 PM**

Respectfully submitted,

Christy Ritter, City Clerk