

# 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, August 19, 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, Fordahl, Cook, Temple and Lesyna present. Alderman Clark and Huddelston were absent.

### APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Alderman Cook made motion to approve the minutes of August 5, 2024. Alderman Fordahl seconded the motion with Aldermen Doody, Vela, Fordahl, Cook and Lesyna voting yes. Alderman Temple passed.

### APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

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

CITIZENS FORUM – Christy Ritter requesting permission to use the upstairs for storage of formal dresses that will be used for donation. Alderman Lesyna asked Scott Behrends if this would work. Scott indicated that it would work, there was a lot of items that could be thrown away from upstairs. Christy indicated that she would be cleaning. Alderman Cook made motion to approve the use of upstairs. Alderman Doody seconded the motion along with Aldermen Doody, Vela, Fordahl, Cook, Temple and Lesyna voting yes.

Randy Zolner – concerns on the possible new tenants of Stonecrest using the facility as a recovery center. Mayor indicated that there would be a private meeting before next public meeting for discussion.

### **Old Business –**

**Aldermanic** – Alderman Cook – Planning and Zoning Commission met on 08/15/2024 to discuss extending a fence at 419 W. Washington Street. Planning and Zoning recommended the council to

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

Alderman Doody – draft budget – the expenditures exceed the revenue by \$90,000.00. Reductions needed:

Final treatment = reduced \$20,000.00  
City treasurer = reducing \$12,000.00  
Downtown area = reducing \$25,000.00  
Public safety = reducing \$10,000.00  
Downtown Park development = reducing \$15,000.00  
Tree planting = reducing \$8000.00

Total revenue = \$5,240,065.00  
Total expenses = \$5,239,840.00

+\$225.00

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

BF meeting September 3, Tuesday, 7:15PM

**Department Heads** – Scott – K Mechanical - bill for blower repair, blower went down starter gear went out. This equipment is 50+ years old. There are 4 total, down 2 with 1 back up but still down one. He's hoping in the next few weeks all will be back up and running. The hydrant on 4<sup>th</sup> is fixed.

Tina – Lisa was in, everything is balanced. Auditors came in, getting things together for the next audit.

The elections packets are available. The paper work can be picked up and signatures can be collected starting on August 20 – November 12. The election is April 1, 2025.

**Treasurer report** –

**MAYORAL REPORT** –

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

**Meeting adjourned at 8:11 PM**

Respectfully submitted,

Christy Ritter, City Clerk