

THE CITY OF MOMENCE

Momence, IL 60954

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Diann Denton	Richard Kupferer
Bonnie Straley	David Cook
Nova Metz	Mark Lesyna
Charles Steele	Steve Puglise

MOMENCE CITY COUNCIL Monday, March 18, 2013 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, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise present. Also present was Mayor Mick Porter.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Alderman Cook made a motion to approve the Regular Session minutes of the March 6, 2013, Council Meeting as presented. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

The bills were discussed at tonight's Budget and Finance Committee Meeting. Alderman Straley made a motion to approve the bills for payment. Alderman Denton seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

CITIZEN FORUM

Connie Zelhart from Main Street – Street closures for 2013. Janine Loftus invited Council tomorrow night to the 2nd webinar in a series of 3. Complimentary pizza and beverages at Sammy's Pizza from 6-7PM. 3rd webinar will be held 1 week from tomorrow. Connie Zelhart, Vice President from Main Street Momence requested the following street closures: Cruise Nights from 5-8:30PM on June 11-East Washington from Dixie to Locust. June 25-West Washington from Dixie to Pine. July 9-East Washington from Dixie to Locust. July 23-West Washington from Dixie to Pine. August 13-East Washington from Dixie to Locust. August 27-West Washington from Dixie to Pine. Bordertown Hauntings from 10AM-5PM: October 26-West Washington from Dixie to Pine. Christmas Gathering from 12PM-8PM. December 7-West Washington from Dixie to Pine. Mayor Porter stated that the July 9 Acting Out Theater might be a conflict. They will change if necessary. Alderman Puglise made a motion to approve the street closures for Main Street as mentioned above. Alderman Cook seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

Walter Snell – Breast Cancer Bike Ride and Car Show. Ride for Breast Cancer event to be held at East River Street parking lot. Would like to hold on May18, with the addition of a car show. City would help by posting signs. They will set up at 8AM; event will start at 10AM. Taking donations and raffling off prizes at event. Ride begins at 12PM and ends at 1PM, beverages and sandwiches will be served after the

ride. DJ will play from 1-3PM, with the event being over at 3PM. They will clean up. Alderman Kupferer made a motion to approve a motor cycle bike ride/car show for May 18 at East River Street Parking lot. Alderman Straley seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

OLD BUSINESS - none

ALDERMANIC REPORTS

Alderman Straley called a Budget and Finance committee meeting for April 1, 7:15PM to go over bills.

Alderman Metz: Water and Sewer meeting was held tonight regarding tower painting, bid from AM coat for spot repair paint of bottom bowl and riser. Will have on agenda for next month.

Alderman Kupferer: Residential request for handicap parking at 112 S. Walnut requesting two spots. Resident and mother are handicapped. There are times when it is not accessible to get in and out of drive. Mother might be moving in with her and is in need of handicapped parking also. Can the City do it with the ordinance, are they able to designate areas for parking; Alderman Lesyna to look into. Residential parking spot might be utilized better than a handicapped parking because of handicap requirements. To look into further and be brought back at next council meeting. Alderman Kupferer scheduled a 6:45PM Police Committee meeting to discuss the displaying of downtown building numbers/addresses; Chief Buchanon to be here to discuss with Council.

Alderman Lesyna: Discuss and vote on amending City code for local banks for City accounts. First national Bank of Grant Park possibly might be sold. Tabled until next meeting.

Discuss and vote on residential parking at 37 N. Pine Street. Parking is becoming a problem for residents at this address because of the increase of business downtown. No access to an alley, only parking directly in front of their home residence. Alderman Lesyna made a motion to pass an ordinance amending an ordinance concerning residential parking at 37 North Pine Street. Alderman Straley seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Ordinance # 756.

First reading on Special Assessments ordinance created in 1979, it states that any public improvement of the City shall be paid for in whole or in part by special assessment or special taxation for any work or public improvement. The complete paragraph was discussed at last Ordinance meeting and consensus was to delete this particular paragraph/section.

First reading on vehicles for sale. Chief Swanson would like to see a potential change in language, tabled until next Ordinance meeting.

First reading on registration for Contractors. Mirroring an ordinance that the Village of Bradley is using which states contractors doing work in City will need to be licensed with Kankakee County. License number once approved will be from Kankakee County. This insures that homeowners have licensed workers. Penalty provision, police would cite them. Alderman Lesyna to check the paragraph regarding general contractors.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Scott Behrends: Sweeper update, to be delivered here to look at hopefully by the end of the week.

Chief Swanson will look into further the residence parking issue at 112 S. Walnut and will report back to Council with ideas.

TREASURER REPORT – Treasurer Becky Peterson - none. Mayor Porter, IML report: State working on pension, presenting possibility of reduction; Mayor was contacted stating aware of concern of reduction and will keep a close eye on it.

MAYORAL REPORT

Vote on appointment of Jill Lincoln and Betty Dionne to the Historical Board. Terry Spencer resigned from Historical Board, the Board is to have 7 members on it. One space to replace resigned person and one individual to add. Alderman Straley made a motion to approve Mayor Porter's appointment of Jill Lincoln and Betty Dionne to the Historical Board. Alderman Kupferer seconded the motion. Motion carried with 8 Ayes 0 Nays.

Audit Contract. Sikich, contracted with them for 3 years. Lou Karrison did audit on behalf of Sikich, Mr. Karrison has retired and set up his own company. Sikich has offered the transfer of the contract to Mr. Karrison. Same terms, fee for services will not exceed \$10,575, to begin in August or September with final reports issued and preliminary drafts by November, 2013. Alderman Cook made a motion to approve authorization to contract with Lou Karrison to handle final year of audit contract. Alderman Metz seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – none

CLOSED SESSION

Alderman Lesyna made a motion to enter into Closed Session to discuss the release of the last 6 months of Executive Session minutes. Alderman Denton seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Entered into Closed Session at 7:55PM. Returned from Closed Session at 8:05PM.

Alderman Denton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Metz seconded the motion with Alderman Denton, Straley, Metz, Steele, Kupferer, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenene Henson, City Clerk