

McDONALD VILLAGE COUNCIL  
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2017  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Visitors: Walt Bradley, Joe Dugan, Terry Frantz

Staff: Fiscal Officer Robin DeBow, Fire Chief Nick Kish, Acting Police Chief Bill Woodley, Solicitor Douglas W. Ross, Village Administrator Thomas Domitrovich, and Office Manager Char McCracken

1. The December 6, 2017 meeting of McDonald Village Council was called to order by Mayor Glen M. Puckett at 6:15 p.m.

Roll call:

Mr. O'Brien – absent*	Mr. Harvey – present
Mr. Seitz – absent*	Mr. Klase – present
Mr. Lewis – present	Mr. Fisher – present

\*Mr. O'Brien is ill and Mr. Seitz is working

2. Pledge of allegiance

One minute of silence in remembrance of American troops serving throughout the world and the recitation of the Lord's Prayer.

3. Approval of the November 15, 2017 council minutes.

It was moved by Mr. Klase to approve the November 15, 2017 minutes as mailed:

Roll call:

Mr. Klase – aye	Mr. Harvey – aye
Mr. Lewis – aye	Mr. Fisher – aye

Motion carried.

4. Adoption of agenda:

It was moved by Mr. Fisher to amend the agenda as follows:

11. Legislation – removed A – resolution for Cross Country Teams – it will be revisited at a later meeting.

Change B & C to a first reading – there are not enough members present to suspend the rules of council.

4. Adoption of agenda cont'd.

Mayor stated that we will have to hold a special meeting to get this legislation passed before the end of the year.

Roll call:

Mr. Fisher– aye  
Mr. Klase – aye

Mr. Harvey – aye  
Mr. Lewis – aye

Motion carried.

5. Mayor's report - Mayor Puckett stated for the month of November, Mayor's Court had computer fund I \$10, costs \$23, fines \$369, Niles Municipal Court fines \$244.20, parking tickets \$80, police reports \$5, law enforcement fund \$16 for a grand total of \$747.20.

6. Report of Village Officials:

**Village Administrator Thomas Domitrovich** stated he is extending curbside leaf pick up until December 20. There was a late drop this year. After that date the leaves will still be picked up but they have to be bagged.

He stated that they will be filling potholes tomorrow. He reminded everyone that the stick program is done for the year and will resume in 2018 at a date still to be announced.

The VA thanked everyone who helped with the Christmas Tree lighting this year. He neglected to thank Mrs. Green at the lighting and he wants to thank her publically. He also thanked the Fire and Police Chiefs, Bill Stamp, Don and Laurie Smith, Carl Fossaceca, Mr. Harvey, and Mr. Lewis. He also thanked all for the cookie donations. It was well attended. State Representative Glenn Holmes and family lit the tree this year.

**Acting Police Chief Bill Woodley** gave his monthly report as follows: for the month of November the Police Department received 139 calls from the 911 center, investigated 30 formal complaints, conducted 36 traffic stops resulting in 3 traffic citations, issued 5 parking tickets and 3 parking warnings, conducted 4 residential security checks, and assisted another agency 3 times. They responded to 3 alarm drops, 1 animal complaint, 4 check the welfare complaints, 2 noise complaints, 1 suspicious activity, 2 unknown problems, 2 suspicious persons, 2 standby requests, 14 medical calls, 2 abandoned 911 calls and 2 calls for an

6. Report of Village Officials cont'd.

unwanted person. The department continued their CPT training, their daily training bulletins, and successfully completed their annual firearm qualifications. Acting Chief Woodley and Officers Walp, Pratt, and Jones assisted Weathersfield PD in a search for a missing man from McDonald. He was found deceased in Weathersfield Township. Office Walp located a missing disabled resident within an hour of receiving the call. Office Ronghi identified suspects in the arson case near Slag Crusher Rd.

**Fire Chief Nick Kish** – no report.

**Solicitor Douglas W. Ross** – no report.

7. Committee reports:

**President Pro Tem Mr. O'Brien** – In the absence of Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Lewis reported on tonight's Caucus where the following items were discussed: agenda, Fiscal Officer's report, Council minutes, legislation, special meeting, Relay for Life, and Girls State.

**Park & Buildings Mr. Harvey** stated Park and Buildings met last evening and some items discussed were the garage roof project, Christmas in the Village, Relay for Life.

It was moved by Mr. Harvey to allow Relay for Life the use of Village grounds for an event in 2018.

Roll call:

Mr. Harvey – aye  
Mr. Lewis – aye

Mr. Klase – aye  
Mr. Fisher – aye

Motion carried.

They also discussed the smoking ban on outdoor Village-owned property, extending splash pad hours, and basketball courts.

**Safety Committee Mr. Klase** stated Safety met last evening and discussed the need to implement legislation for enforceable school zone speed limits for the ordinance. Somehow it was overlooked.

7. Committee reports cont'd.

It was moved by Mr. Klase to authorize the Solicitor to prepare legislation for the enforceable speed limits in the school zones.

Roll call:

Mr. Klase – aye  
Mr. Lewis – aye

Mr. Harvey – aye  
Mr. Fisher – aye

Motion carried.

Mr. Klase stated there was an open forum discussion over the Mayor's decision to seek new leadership in the Fire Department. As the Mayor he has the responsibility and authority to appoint the position of the Fire Chief annually. I don't think he made the decision hastily or without reservations. I would like to thank Chief Kish for the seven years of service as chief. It is much appreciated. Mr. Stitt who will be coming in comes in with a very strong resume and decades of experience and I would like to wish him luck next year when he takes over.

It was moved by Mr. Harvey to nominate Mr. Lewis and Mr. Klase to the Fire Dependency Board.

Chief Kish gave a brief summary of the duties of the Fire Dependency Board.

Roll call:

Mr. Harvey – aye  
Mr. Lewis – aye

Mr. Klase – aye  
Mr. Fisher – aye

Motion carried.

**Finance & Capital Improvement Mr. Lewis** stated Finance met last night and there was nothing new on the agenda. He thanked the departments for getting their budgets in for 2018. He also stated that Mr. Domitrovich did a great job with the Christmas Tree lighting.

**Service Committee Mr. Seitz** – In the absence of Mr. Seitz, Mr. Harvey gave the report. They met last evening and discussed the package insurance, health insurance, gas aggregation, resolution for Cross Country, and regulation for halfway houses. The Solicitor is going to look into legislation for the halfway houses.

7. Committee reports cont'd.

**Planning Commission Mr. Fisher** reminded everyone of the schedule of fees ordinance on the agenda. Planning will meet next Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

**Community Chest Mr. O'Brien** –In Mr. O'Brien's absence, Mayor Puckett asked Mrs. DeBow but she responded that she no longer serves on Community Chest.

8. Remarks from persons or groups present: none

9. Old Business: none

10. New Business: none

11. Legislation:

A removed from agenda

B First reading of a Resolution Authorizing The Mayor And/Or Fiscal Officer Of The Village Of McDonald, Ohio To Prepare And Submit An Application To Participate In The Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement And/Or Local Transportation Improvement Programs(s) And To Execute Contracts As Required.

It was moved by Mr. Harvey that the resolution pass first reading as read.

Discussion: Mr. Harvey stated this is basically moving forward to apply for funds for the 2018 paving project.

Mr. Fisher stated this will pass as an emergency at a special meeting because we have to submit the application within thirty days.

Roll call:

Mr. Harvey – aye

Mr. Klase – aye

Mr. Lewis – aye

Mr. Fisher – aye

Motion carried.

11. Legislation cont'd.

C First reading of a Resolution For The Purpose Of Accepting The Health Insurance Proposal From Medical Mutual Of Ohio Through National United Brokers, Inc., 4151 Executive Parkway, Suite 210, Westerville, Ohio 43081, For The Village Of McDonald, Ohio's Employee Health Insurance Coverage For A One-Year (1) Term, Commencing January 1, 2018 And Ending December 31, 2018; And Authorizing The Mayor And Fiscal Officer To Enter Into A Contract With Medical Mutual Of Ohio Through National United Brokers, Inc. For Health Insurance.

It was moved by Mr. Harvey that the resolution pass first reading as read.

Discussion: Mr. Harvey thanked everyone who worked on this. Insurance costs keep rising and to try and get the best coverage at the best cost takes a lot of time.

Mr. Fisher stated again this will also be passed as an emergency at a special council meeting because a quote from an insurance company is only good for a certain period of time and we do have to have that done by the end of the year.

Roll call:

Mr. Harvey – aye  
Mr. Lewis – aye

Mr. Klase – aye  
Mr. Fisher – aye

Motion carried.

D First reading of an Ordinance For The Purpose Of Amending Previous Village Ordinance No. 3164-14 For The Purpose Of Adopting The Previously Established Schedule Of Fees For Building Permits, Zoning Permits, And Other Fees; And For The Purpose Of Adding Fees Concerning The Rental Of The Community Room.

It was moved by Mr. Fisher that the ordinance pass first reading as read.

Roll call:

Mr. Fisher – aye  
Mr. Klase – aye

Mr. Harvey – aye  
Mr. Lewis – aye

Motion carried.

12. Fiscal Officer's report:

Mrs. DeBow reported that the bills for the Fiscal Officer's report total \$116,184.55.

I, Robin DeBow, Fiscal Officer of the Village of McDonald, Ohio do hereby declare that the bills are true and correct and the money is in the bank to pay them.

It was moved by Mr. Lewis to accept the Fiscal Officer's report and pay all bills.

Roll call:

Mr. Lewis – aye  
Mr. Klase – aye

Mr. Harvey – aye  
Mr. Fisher – aye

Motion carried.

13. Miscellaneous: Mr. Harvey stated that we have a new business in town, a restaurant and bar and he encouraged everyone to check it out.

Mayor Puckett concurred that it is nice to see a new business.

14. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Mr. Fisher at 6:43 p.m. All voted aye.

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Mayor

Attest to:

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Fiscal Officer