

McDONALD VILLAGE COUNCIL
FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2018
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Visitors: Ken Miner, Cliff DeZee, Joe Dugan, Bill Rushen, Chris Sable, and Dave Smith

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

1. The January 19, 2018 meeting of McDonald Village Council was called to order by Mayor Glen M. Puckett at 9:10 a.m.

Roll call:

Mr. O'Brien – present
Mr. Seitz – present
Mr. Fisher – present

Mr. Harvey – present
Mr. Lewis – present
Mr. Bradley – present

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 January 3, 2018 council minutes.

It was moved by Mr. Fisher to approve the January 3, 2018 minutes as mailed:

Roll call:

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

Mr. O'Brien – aye
Mr. Seitz – aye
Mr. Bradley – aye

Motion carried.

4. Adoption of agenda:

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

Change the day and time on the agenda to reflect Friday, January 19, at 9:00 a.m.

13. Miscellaneous – add executive session for pending litigation with no business to be conducted afterwards

4. Adoption of agenda cont'd.

Roll call:

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

Mr. O'Brien – aye
Mr. Seitz – aye
Mr. Bradley – aye

Motion carried.

5. Mayor's report – Mayor Puckett commended both Chief Woodley and Chief Stitt for bolstering their departments. Chief Woodley would like to add two part-time officers and Chief Stitt would like to add two paramedics/firefighters and one emt/firefighter.

6. Report of Village Officials:

Village Administrator Thomas Domitrovich – no report.

Police Chief Bill Woodley distributed his end of the month report for December and it is as follows:

For the month of December 2017, the Police Department received 186 calls from the 911 center. They investigated 30 formal complaints, conducted 58 traffic stops resulting in 30 traffic citations and filed 4 criminal charges. They issued 6 parking tickets and 3 parking warnings. They responded to 7 alarm drops, 4 animal complaints, 5 check the welfare complaints, 6 calls of suspicious activity, 3 calls of suspicious vehicle, 5 unknown problems, 2 standby requests, 3 calls for lockouts, 26 medical calls, 1 abandoned 911 call, 3 calls for solicitation, 1 call of threats made, 1 call of shoplifting, 1 call for a fight, 5 calls for disabled vehicles, and 5 calls for attempt to locate. They conducted 3 residential security checks and assisted another agency 2 times. The department continued and completed their CPT training and completed the Daily Training Bulletins.

Officer Ryan Ronghi was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant of Police; Lieutenant Woodley was promoted to the rank of Chief of Police. Chief Lou Ronghi retired after 22 years of service.

Lt. Ronghi and Officer Pratt responded to an overdose at a sober home on Hayes Ave. They did not have to administer Narcan. The department purchased 6 overdose kits to be used by officers responding to overdose calls. Lt. Ronghi attended a seminar on Overdose Detection Mapping Application Program that

6. Report of Village Officials cont'd.

will allow first responders to report fatal and non-fatal overdose incidents. The department purchased 3 new digital cameras to use during investigations.

Fire Chief Todd Stitt stated he submitted his end of the month report for December and he will entertain any questions but there were none. He thanked Mayor and council for his appointment.

Solicitor Douglas W. Ross stated it is great to see Mr. O'Brien back. Other than that he has no report.

7. Committee reports:

President Pro Tem Mr. Lewis reported on today's Caucus where the following items were discussed: agenda, Fiscal Officer's report, Council minutes, Fire Dependency Board, Girls State, February committee meetings, executive session for pending litigation, appointments to the police and fire departments.

Park & Buildings Mr. Harvey reported that Park and Buildings met Tuesday, January 16 at 6:38 p.m. They discussed the Easter egg hunt, Positive Impact Day, the 100th anniversary, Relay for Life, the splash pad and the basketball courts. He welcomed Mr. Lewis and Mr. O'Brien to his committee. They will be looking for a park supervisor and address concerts in the park in the near future. Park and Buildings closed at 7:34 p.m.

Safety Committee Mr. Seitz thanked Mayor for this appointment to the Safety Committee. He looks forward to working with Chief Woodley and Chief Stitt.

Mr. Lewis welcomed Chief Stitt. He also stated that since Mr. Klase is no longer on Council they need to pick another representative to the Fire Dependency Board.

It was moved by Mr. Lewis to nominate Mr. Harvey to the 2018 Fire Dependency Board.

Roll call:

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

Mr. O'Brien – aye
Mr. Seitz – aye
Mr. Bradley – aye

7. Committee reports cont'd.

Motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Lewis to affirm Seth Durig, Anthony Fairbanks, and Jeff Tucker to the Fire Department.

Roll call:

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

Mr. O'Brien – aye
Mr. Seitz – aye
Mr. Bradley – aye

Motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Lewis to affirm Chris Sable and Dave Smith as part-time patrolmen.

Roll call:

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

Mr. O'Brien – aye
Mr. Seitz – aye
Mr. Bradley – aye

Motion carried.

Finance & Capital Improvement Mr. Lewis stated Finance met Tuesday, January 16, at 6:00 p.m. The Investment Committee invited their investment brokers, Scott Krok and Crystal Hudspeth of Huntington Bank to discuss the Village's investments.

It was moved by Mr. Lewis to update our investment policy and continue with Huntington Bank until 2019.

Discussion: Solicitor Ross stated the policy has not changed; it is already on file with State Auditor. Huntington Investments is requiring updated signatures.

Roll call:

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

Mr. O'Brien – aye
Mr. Seitz – aye
Mr. Bradley – aye

7. Committee reports cont'd.

Motion carried.

Mr. Lewis stated they have a 2018 final budget and any changes will be discussed at the February committee meeting.

Service Committee Mr. Fisher welcomed Chief Stitt.

It was moved by Mr. Fisher to allow the Fiscal Officer to handle the 2017 run out claims for the health insurance.

Discussion: Mr. Fisher stated the Village will save \$1200 by allowing Mrs. DeBow to do this.

Roll call:

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

Mr. O'Brien – aye
Mr. Seitz – aye
Mr. Bradley – aye

Motion carried.

Mr. Fisher stated Service will meet on February 6.

Mr. Harvey stated his committee will also meet on February 6.

Planning Commission Mr. Bradley reported Planning Commission met Wednesday, January 10, at 7:00 p.m. They have had a zoning change request from Mr. Wolford, 175 Ohio Avenue. He wants to change it from Commercial A to Light Industrial. The Commission thought it best to change to Light Industrial instead of Heavy Industrial. A public hearing will be held on February 14, at 6:30 p.m. before Planning Commission.

Community Chest Mr. O'Brien - Mr. Lewis gave the report on behalf of Mr. O'Brien. This year Community Chest received a referral list from the school and other organizations of families who were in need of help for Christmas. They issued 20 food vouchers to Giant Eagle and 15 Dollar General gift certificates.

They also started a tradition last year of writing letters to Santa. All the children who write a letter received a reply from Santa with the help of Grandma Elf. The first year 97 letters were written and this past Christmas 84 letters were sent and

7. Committee reports cont'd.

answered. This program was very successful in many ways. With the help of Dollar General and the residents of McDonald, toys were donated and collected. Our seniors in the REST program also helped wrap the presents. Grandma Elf was able to deliver them to children throughout our Village making Christmas a little brighter. Community Chest would like to thank all those who helped us reach so many children and families this holiday season. All the smiles and tears of happiness we received makes this organization what it is.

Mr. Lewis wanted to recognize Peggy Palmer who is Grandma Elf. She donates her time to answer the letters, pick up gifts and deliver the gifts on her own time.

8. Remarks from persons or groups present: none

9. Old Business: none

10. New Business: none

11. Legislation: none

12. Fiscal Officer's report:

Mrs. DeBow reported that the bills for the Fiscal Officer's report total \$134,188.87.

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. Bradley to accept the Fiscal Officer's report and pay all bills.

Roll call:

Mr. Bradley – aye
Mr. Harvey – aye
Mr. Lewis – aye

Mr. O'Brien – aye
Mr. Seitz – aye
Mr. Fisher – aye

Motion carried.

13. Miscellaneous: Executive Session

13. Miscellaneous cont'd.

It was moved by Mr. Fisher to go into executive session to discuss pending litigation at 9:38 a.m.

Discussion: Mr. Fisher stated there will be no business conducted afterwards.

Roll call:

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

Mr. O'Brien – aye
Mr. Seitz – aye
Mr. Bradley – aye

Motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Fisher to exit executive session at 10:03 a.m.

Roll call:

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

Mr. O'Brien – aye
Mr. Seitz – aye
Mr. Bradley – aye

Motion carried.

14. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Mr. Fisher at 10:03 a.m. All voted aye.

Mayor

Attest to:

Fiscal Officer