

McDONALD VILLAGE COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 2017
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Visitors: Walt Bradley and Ken Miner

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 July 12, 2017 meeting of McDonald Village Council was called to order by Mayor Glen M. Puckett at 6:10 p.m.

Roll call:

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

Mr. Harvey – present
Mr. Klase – present
Mr. Fisher – 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 June 21, 2017 council minutes.

It was moved by Mr. Fisher to approve the June 21, 2017 minutes as mailed:

Roll call:

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

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

Motion carried.

4. Adoption of agenda:

It was moved by Mr. Fisher to accept the agenda as presented:

Roll call:

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

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

4. Adoption of agenda cont'd.

Motion carried.

5. Mayor's report - Mayor Puckett stated for the month of May Mayor's Court had computer fund I \$62, costs \$148, fines \$545, Niles Municipal Court fines \$368, parking tickets \$60, drug fund \$23 for a grand total of \$1206.00.

Mayor Puckett stated for the month of June Mayor's Court had computer fund I \$119, costs \$293, fines \$763, Niles Municipal Court fines \$130.70, parking tickets \$70, police reports \$5 for a grand total of \$1380.70.

Mayor thanked the office staff for the clean audit that we had this year. He stated that it shows that we are on the right track.

6. Report of Village Officials:

Village Administrator Thomas Domitrovich stated that the scrap tire collection will be curbside on July 17 and July 24. Residents can always take their tires to the Street Department garage from July 17 to July 28.

The VA also stated that the road paving project has begun and about half of the milling is done and the rest is to be done by the end of the week. Paving, hopefully, will begin next week

He congratulated Robin and the office staff for the clean audit.

Acting Police Chief Bill Woodley gave his monthly report as follows: for the month of June the Police Department investigated 20 formal complaints, conducted 45 traffic stops resulting in 14 traffic citations and had 17 criminal charges/arrests. They issued 7 parking tickets, conducted 4 residential security checks, served 1 warrant, and fielded 1 traffic regulation. They responded to 10 alarm drops, 1 unwanted person call, 4 animal complaints, 2 welfare check complaints, 1 abandon 911 call, 11 noise complaints, 2 suspicious activity calls, 4 suspicious person calls, 5 suspicious vehicle calls and 3 unknown problems. The department continued training as part of the required CPT training for 2017 and completed the Daily Training bulletins for the month of June.

Fire Chief Nick Kish stated Girard Fire Department has asked for assistance in closing the Girard-McDonald viaduct for fireworks during the IFH festival. The bridge will be closed from 8:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. on Sunday, July 16.

6. Report of Village Officials cont'd.

Chief Kish also stated that his department has been awarded an E.M.S. grant for equipment in the amount of \$4525.

Solicitor Douglas W. Ross – no report

7. Committee reports:

President Pro Tem Mr. O'Brien – no report

Park & Buildings Mr. Harvey stated Park and Building met last evening and discussed the various activities of the summer park program. He stated the park will be closing on August 10 with the Spartan Challenge. The committee also discussed the 3 on 3 basketball tournament that will be held on August 5 as well as Music in the Park and Thunder in the Park, the FOP car show.

He stated that GPD will be designing suggestions for the second floor of the Rec Center. A contract for the roof project at the Village garage is being drawn up.

Park and Buildings is looking at some issues at the basketball courts with the help of the Solicitor. They are also looking into a smoking ordinance for the park recreational areas.

It was moved by Mr. Harvey to grant permission for the FOP Lodge 194 to use the park for the annual car show on July 30.

Roll call:

Mr. Harvey – aye

Mr. Seitz – aye

Mr. Lewis – aye

Mr. O'Brien – aye

Mr. Klase – aye

Mr. Fisher – aye

Motion carried.

Mayor Puckett stated that there have been some problems at the basketball court such as the trash, paraphernalia, and the language. We are doing our best to clean it up and if things continue he is not opposed to closing the courts.

7. Committee reports cont'd.

Safety Committee Mr. Klase stated Safety met last evening and discussed garage sale informational packets for residents.

Finance & Capital Improvement Mr. Lewis stated that the legislation on the agenda tonight is an emergency reading of the Alternative Tax Budget for Trumbull County. It is an emergency because the County does not give it to us in enough time for the three reads. This is something that we do every year. Mr. Lewis also stated that we have a second, second reading of the budget amendment. It has been changed since the last reading to allow for the senior levy grant money that we have been awarded. Mr. Lewis also stated that the 2018 budget meetings with the department heads will take place before the end of July and they need to look for ways to tighten things up. We are going to receive a refund of \$8232 from the Regional Income Tax Agency and a refund from the Bureau of Workers' Comp in the amount of \$7123.08. Both of these will help.

Mr. Lewis spoke on the bi-annual audit that was just completed and no findings were received which may be a first in a long time. He credited Fiscal Officer Robin DeBow, Administrative Assistant Peggy Palmer, and Office Manager Char McCracken for their integrity, responsibility, and dedication to their jobs for the outcome we received.

Service Committee Mr. Seitz stated Service met last evening and discussed the street resurfacing. Madison Ave. has been pushed through from Ohio to Pennsylvania. All the resurfacing has to be finished by October 19 if not before. He stated committee meetings will be held August 7, at 6:00p.m.

Planning Commission Mr. Fisher reported that the end of the month building report was issued to Council. Planning Commission is on summer recess.

Community Chest Mr. O'Brien - no report

8. Remarks from persons or groups present: none

9. Old Business: none

10. New Business: none

11. Legislation:

A Third reading of a Resolution Authorizing The Mayor, Fiscal Officer, And/Or The Village Administrator To Enter Into A Facilities Use Agreement With The McDonald Local School District To Permit The District To Use The Village's Facilities.

It was moved by Mr. Harvey that Resolution No. 1782-17 be passed as read.

Discussion: Mayor Puckett stated that the process began in January and it has been a long time coming. We are waiting on the correct insurance form from the school. Mr. Harvey stated I agree.

Roll call:

Mr. Harvey – aye
Mr. Seitz – aye
Mr. Lewis – aye

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

Motion carried.

B Emergency reading of a Resolution No. 1783-17 Adopting The Alternative Tax Budget Of The Village Of McDonald, Ohio For The Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2018 And Submitting Same To The Trumbull County Auditor.

It was moved by Mr. Lewis to suspend the Rules of Council.

Roll call:

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

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

Motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Lewis that Resolution No. 1783-17 be passed as read.

Roll call:

Mr. Lewis – aye
Mr. Harvey – aye

Mr. O'Brien – aye
Mr. Seitz – aye

11. Legislation cont'd.

Mr. Klase – aye

Mr. Fisher – aye

Motion carried.

C Second reading of an Ordinance To Amend Appropriations For 2017 To Various Divisions Of The Village Government For Each Of The Several Objects For Which The Village Of McDonald, Ohio, Has To Provide Out Of The Monies Known To Be In The Treasury Of Said Village During The Year From Collection Of All The Taxes And From All Other Sources Of Revenue For 2017.

It was moved by Mr. Lewis that the ordinance pass second reading as read.

Discussion: Mr. Lewis stated that there was an amendment to this ordinance to allow for the senior levy grant so this is re-read as a second reading.

Roll call:

Mr. Lewis – aye

Mr. O'Brien – aye

Mr. Harvey – aye

Mr. Seitz – aye

Mr. Klase – aye

Mr. Fisher – aye

Motion carried.

D Emergency reading of Ordinance No. 3208-17 Approving The Editing And Inclusion Of Certain Ordinances As Parts Of The Various Component Codes Of The Codified Ordinances Of McDonald, Ohio.

It was moved by Mr. Seitz to suspend the Rules of Council.

Roll call:

Mr. Seitz – aye

Mr. O'Brien – aye

Mr. Harvey – aye

Mr. Klase – aye

Mr. Lewis – aye

Mr. Fisher – aye

Motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Seitz that Ordinance No. 3208-17 be passed as read.

11. Legislation cont'd.

Roll call:

Mr. Seitz – aye
Mr. Harvey – aye
Mr. Lewis – aye

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

Motion carried.

12. Fiscal Officer's report:

Mrs. DeBow reported that the bills for the Fiscal Officer's report total \$99,114.90.

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. Harvey – aye
Mr. Klase – aye

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

Motion carried.

13. Miscellaneous: It was clarified that the committee meetings will be held on August 8, not August 7, at 6:00 p.m.

14. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Mr. Harvey at 6:35 p.m. All voted aye.

Mayor

Attest to:

Fiscal Officer