

McDonald Village Council  
Wednesday, March 18, 2020  
Regular Council Meeting

Staff: Solicitor Douglas W. Ross

1. The March 18, 2020 meeting of McDonald Village Council was called to order by Mayor Glen M. Puckett at 6:10 p.m.

Roll call:

*Mr. Harvey – absent	Mr. Lewis – present
Mr. Fisher – present	*Mr. DeZee – present
Mr. Schmidt – present	Mr. Joynes – present

\*Mr. DeZee participated via telephone due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Mr. Harvey was absent due to an illness.

2. Pledge of allegiance
3. Approval of the March 4, 2020 council minutes.

It was moved by Mr. Fisher to approve the March 4, 2020 minutes as mailed:

Roll call:

Mr. Fisher – aye	Mr. Lewis – aye
Mr. DeZee – aye	Mr. Schmidt – aye
Mr. Joynes – aye	

Motion carried.

4. Adoption of agenda:

It was moved by Mr. Fisher to amend the agenda to include Mayor's comments, omit Reports of Village Officials, Committee Reports, Old Business, New Business, and have only one comment from the President Pro Tem:

Roll call:

4. Adoption of agenda cont'd.

Mr. Fisher – aye  
Mr. DeZee – aye  
Mr. Joynes – aye

Mr. Lewis – aye  
Mr. Schmidt – aye

Motion carried.

5. Mayor's report- The Mayor stated that the department heads are not present and we are not going to give Committee reports. With the Coronavirus, we are taking every precautionary measure that we can. We will also announce at a later date when we will hold our next Council meeting. The Mayor urged everyone to use common sense and wash hands, and stay at home if you're sick or high risk. Obviously, we are phoning in Mr. DeZee because he has had some lung issues in the past. Mr. Harvey is not in attendance because he is in the hospital.

The Mayor would like to appoint James Kalaman to our Police Department.

Mr. Fisher moved to appoint James Kalaman to the McDonald Police Department.

Discussion: Mr. Fisher stated that Officer Kalaman has been vetted by the Chief and everything looks good. He knows several officers in the Police Department and looks like a very good applicant.

Roll call:

Mr. Fisher – aye  
Mr. DeZee – aye  
Mr. Joynes – aye

Mr. Lewis – aye  
Mr. Schmidt – aye

Motion carried.

The Mayor stated that Spring Cleanup is scheduled for April 21 and 22.

11. Legislation:

A. Emergency Reading Of No. Ordinance 3246-20 To Make Appropriations For 2020 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 The Collection Of All The Taxes And From All Other Sources Of Revenue For 2020.

11. Legislation cont'd.

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

Mr. Fisher – aye  
Mr. DeZee – aye  
Mr. Joynes – aye

Mr. Lewis – aye  
Mr. Schmidt – aye

Motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Lewis that Ordinance No. 3246-20 pass emergency reading.

Mr. Lewis – aye  
Mr. DeZee – aye  
Mr. Joynes – aye

Mr. Fisher – aye  
Mr. Schmidt – aye

Motion carried.

B. Second Reading Of A Resolution For The Purpose Of Approving NOPEC's Extension Of Its Services Agreement With Nextera Energy Solutions, LLC, To Provide Electrical Aggregation Services For The Village Of McDonald, Ohio, Through NOPEC, Beginning January, 2020.

It was moved by Mr. Schmidt that the resolution pass second reading as read.

Roll call:

Mr. Schmidt – aye  
Mr. Fisher – aye  
Mr. Joynes – aye

Mr. Lewis – aye  
Mr. DeZee – aye

Motion carried.

12. Fiscal Officer's report:

Mr. Lewis read Mrs. Canada's statement into the record and it is as follows:

I, Lori Canada, 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 in the amount of \$132,315.55.

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

12. Fiscal Officer's report cont'd.

Roll call:

Mr. Schmidt – aye  
Mr. Fisher – aye  
Mr. Joynes – aye

Mr. Lewis – aye  
Mr. DeZee – aye

Motion carried.

13. Miscellaneous: Mr. Lewis stated that, in light of the COVID-19 crisis, he would like to ask Council to give the Mayor permission to immediately appoint any and all Safety Forces, which includes Fire, EMS, and Police. This would be done without needing Council's permission until the next meeting. This will help us tremendously should we have a crisis in the Village.

It was moved by Mr. Lewis to allow the Mayor to hire emergency services to the Village of McDonald, Ohio, without Council's approval until the next meeting.

Discussion: Solicitor Ross stated that, under the circumstances surrounding the COVID-19 events, it is right for Council to empower the Mayor to appoint anybody that you deem necessary to protect the public and protect the Village residents until the next Council meeting.

Roll call:

Mr. Lewis – aye  
Mr. DeZee – aye  
Mr. Joynes – aye

Mr. Fisher – aye  
Mr. Schmidt – aye

Motion carried.

14. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Mr. Fisher at 6:20 p.m. All voted aye.

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Mayor

Attest to:

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Fiscal Officer