

McDONALD VILLAGE COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2019
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Visitors: Cliff Dezee, Sean Schmidt, Chad Jones, Bert Ulrich, Ken Miner, Joe Dugan, and Scott Merola.

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

1. The February 6, 2019 meeting of McDonald Village Council was called to order by Mayor Glen M. Puckett at 6:06 p.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 16, 2019 council minutes.

It was moved by Mr. Fisher to approve the January 16, 2019 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 accept the agenda as presented:

Roll call:

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

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

4. Adoption of agenda cont'd

Motion carried.

5. Mayor's report -Mayor Puckett stated for the month of January, Mayor's Court had Computer Fund I \$230, Court Costs \$693, additional costs \$281, fines \$1085, Niles Municipal Court fines \$247.50 and parking tickets \$180 for a grand total of \$2716.50.

Mayor Puckett asked for a motion to approve the resignation of firefighter Shane Anderson.

Mr. O'Brien moved to accept the resignation of firefighter Shane Anderson.

Roll call:

Mr. O'Brien – aye

Mr. Harvey –aye

Mr. Seitz – aye

Mr. Lewis – aye

Mr. Fisher – aye

Mr. Bradley – aye

Mayor Puckett asked for a motion to appoint Johnny Naples as a part-time paramedic/firefighter.

Mr. Bradley moved to appoint Johnny Naples as a part-time paramedic/firefighter.

Roll call:

Mr. Bradley – aye

Mr. O'Brien – aye

Mr. Harvey – aye

Mr. Seitz – aye

Mr. Lewis – aye

Mr. Fisher – aye

Motion carried.

6. Report of Village Officials:

Village Administrator Thomas Domitrovich stated that he received an agreement from GPD regarding the 2019 Road Paving Project. He passed it on to the Solicitor for review. Upon the Solicitor's approval, they can sign and get an early bid on the Roadway Resurfacing Project. Also, Mr. Domitrovich has been working at length with Solicitor Ross regarding the garbage contract. He stated that they are looking to have that bid out before May's deadline. Mr.

6. Report of Village Officials cont'd

Domitrovich would like to commend Councilman Lewis and Councilman Bradley for their proactive approach in gathering information on financial institutions. He would also like to thank Chief Woodley for assisting in the transportation of the deposits.

Police Chief Bill Woodley stated there is nothing to report.

Fire Chief Todd Stitt stated that reports have been submitted. He is available for any questions.

Mr. Bradley stated that he is aware the chief is looking into other options for ambulance billing. He appreciates the chief doing this.

Solicitor Ross-concurred with Mr. Domitrovich in regards to the status of the garbage contract. He also discussed the contract with Mr. Bradley, who is the chairman of Service. He stated that we began citing into Mayor's Court, residents who have not filed their taxes with RITA. Mr. Ross also stated that other than the last pending lawsuit from Mr. Dugan, there is no further litigation.

7. Committee reports:

President Pro Tem Mr. Lewis reported on tonight's Caucus where the following items were discussed: agenda, Fiscal Officer's report, Council minutes, legislation, and the 2019 Permanent Budget. We also accepted the resignation of Shane Anderson and appointed Johnny Naples.

Park & Buildings Mr. Harvey stated that we are going to provide six concerts this summer.

Mr. Harvey made a motion to approve six concerts for music in the park.

Roll call:

Mr. Harvey – aye
Mr. Seitz – aye
Mr. Fisher – aye

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

Motion carried.

6. Report of Village Officials cont'd

Mr. Harvey thanked everyone for their support. He stated that we get a large amount of funding from the businesses in town.

Mr. Harvey also addressed the Relay for Life event for June 8. At the time, we were unaware of the 100-year celebration for the Methodist Church. Mr. Domitrovich is in communication with a representative for Relay for Life to change their date.

They are also looking into renovating the second floor of the Community Room.

Mr. Harvey stated that they are getting ready for our summer programs. Hannah Jones will be the park supervisor again this year.

Safety Committee Mr. O'Brien stated that the fire chief submitted his monthly report. Shane Anderson resigned from the fire department and Johnny Naples was appointed. Fire Chief Stitt is looking into grants for equipment as well.

Finance & Capital Improvement Mr. Lewis stated that we are in discussions with Home Savings. They have provided us with some great options. We will further discuss this at the March Committee Meeting but, at this point, we are leaning towards staying with Home Savings. Chief Woodley indicated that the police department will assist with transportation of the deposits. We are also researching the state auditor timeline, as well as looking into a Money Marketing Account to generate more interest, and the potential for adding debit/credit payment methods for water billing only. There are two companies that we will be meeting with to discuss this.

Service Committee Mr. Bradley addressed the Solicitor's contract. The only difference is the contract would begin on July 1, 2019 and end on June 30, 2021 which is a two-year contract.

Mr. Bradley made a motion to authorize the Solicitor to prepare the necessary paperwork for the Solicitor's contract.

Roll call:

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

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

6. Report of Village Officials cont'd

Mr. Bradley also stated that the fire department is looking at Medi-Count to provide ambulance billing services.

Mr. Bradley addressed the Salary Ordinance. He stated that there was some conflict in the wording of Ordinance of 3214-17.

Mr. Bradley made a motion to authorize the Solicitor to offer some changes to the Salary Ordinance for council review.

Roll call:

Mr. Bradley – aye

Mr. Harvey – aye

Mr. Lewis – aye

Mr. O'Brien – aye

Mr. Seitz – aye

Mr. Fisher – aye

Motion carried.

Mr. O'Brien stated that he read an article regarding recycling in a nearby community. He mentioned that we need to be more diligent in collecting recyclables. A discussion followed.

Planning Commission Mr. Bradley stated that there is a Planning Commission scheduled for February 13 at 6:00 p.m.

Community Chest Mr. O'Brien stated there is no report.

8. Remarks from persons or groups present:

Bert Ulrich, 905 New Jersey Ave., would like to thank the street department for the wonderful job they did during the snow storm.

9. Old Business: none

10. New Business: none

11. Legislation:

A. Third reading of Ordinance No. 3230-19 Amending Previous Village Ordinance No. 3153-14 Regarding the Wages Of The Part-Time Firefighter/EMTS/Paramedics.

11. Legislation cont'd

It was moved by Mr. Lewis that Ordinance No. 3230-19 be passed as read.

Discussion: Mr. Lewis thanked Chief Stitt for increasing the roster of the fire department.

Roll call:

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

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

Motion carried.

12. Fiscal Officer's report:

Mr. Sebastian reported that the bills for the Fiscal Officer's report total \$ 50,857.76.

I, Richard Sebastian, 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: Mr. Bradley commented that he is looking forward to getting the new police cruisers on the road. The old cruisers require a significant amount of maintenance. He feels it will be a savings to our village.

13. Miscellaneous cont'd.

14. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Mr. Harvey at 6:33 p.m. All voted aye.

Mayor

Attest to:

Fiscal Officer