

**MCDONALD BOROUGH COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**Date:** March 10, 2026

**Time:** 4:30 PM

**Location:** McDonald Council Chambers

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM by Tom Rockwell.

**2. ROLL CALL**

	Present:	Absent:
Tom McQuillan	_____	<u>  X  </u>
Adriane Ware	<u>  X  </u>	_____
Amber Wasko	<u>  X  </u>	_____
Jodi Robertson	_____	<u>  X  </u>
Mike Bish	<u>  X  </u>	_____
Kirk Inskipt	<u>  X  </u>	_____
Tom Rockwell	<u>  X  </u>	_____

Also Present:

- David Cooper (Mayor)
- Ashley Puchalski (Solicitor)

Visitors: Kim Lauff, Maura Boggs, Phil Boggs, Darla Protch

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#### 4. VISITORS / PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

(Comments limited to three minutes)

The following individuals addressed Council regarding agenda items:

- Name: Kim Lauff  
Topic: Spoke in favor of Marie Maximovich, not in favor of hiring Darla Protch, blamed council for putting unfair finger pointing at Marie, stated that council take accountability
- Name: Maura Boggs  
Topic: Spoke in favor of Marie Maximovich, blamed meeting was not on Facebook, stated that council take accountability
- Name: Phil Boggs  
Topic: Spoke in favor of Marie Maximovich, blamed lack of meeting advertisement, noted that fire department part time raises have not been talked about at council meetings yet
- Name: Darla Protch  
Topic: Stated that Darla is being hired as a consultant and clarifying she will not be replacing Marie. Stated coming in to help and give guidance and is doing this at a discounted rate then normally charged to help town

#### 5. CLOSURE OF PUBLIC COMMENT SECTION

Public comment on agenda items was closed at 4:45 PM.

#### 6. ADMINISTRATION & POLICY

**Motion:** To hire **Darla Protch** as a part-time administrative employee (approximately 20 hours per week) at a rate of **\$25 per hour**.

Motion made by: Mike Bish

Seconded by: Kirk Inskipt

Discussion:

Vote:

- Yes: 5
- No: 0
- Abstain: 0

Result: Motion (**PASSED** / failed).

## 7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Discussion / Action:

None

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## 8. VISITORS / PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

(Comments limited to three minutes)

The following individuals addressed Council:

- Name: Phil Boggs  
Topic: Noted that Darla Protch statements were well taken and understood and he understood why. Noted that there should be better way to convey upcoming meetings messages
- Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Topic: \_\_\_\_\_

## 9. EXECUTIVE SESSION (Personnel)

Council entered Executive Session at 4:55 PM for personnel matters.

Council returned from Executive Session at 5:55 PM.

Action taken (if any):

None

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## 10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by: Kirk Inskipt

Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting adjourned at 5:56 PM.

## Respectfully Submitted:

Name: Tom Rockwell

Title: President of Council