IN THE PROBATE COURT

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SUSAN BELT	2015 _{ASE} CV 098	3
356 White Spruce Drive)	
Macedonia, OH 44056)	
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Plaintiff,)	
) JUDGE ELINORE MA	RSH
vs.) STORMER	
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DONALD KUCHTA,)	
Mayor of The City of Macedonia)	
8855 Smokerise Dr.) COMPLAINT UNDER	OATH
Macedonia, OH 44056) TO REMOVE ELECTE	ΞD
) OFFICIAL	
Defendant.)	

Pursuant to R.C. Section 733.72 through 733.77, now come Plaintiff Susan Belt and Electors

Orville Jackson Meade, John Matijasich, and Michael Miller and Nancy Harrity, who charge Mayor

Donald Kuchta with misfeasant and malfeasant acts and actions improper as a matter of law within his

current mayoral term, from about December 1, 2011 to December 1, 2015, and who file this Complaint

under oath. As required by statute, this Complaint is signed and approved by Plaintiff/Petitioner Elector

and four other Electors.

Pursuant to law, this Court is required to issue citations within ten days of the filing of the Complaint to the named Defendant Mayor Donald Kuchta who is required to appear before the Judge of the Probate Court as directed by the Court.

CHARGES AND ALLEGATIONS

The City of Macedonia is a Charter City in Summit County, Ohio created pursuant to the provisions of the Ohio Constitution and the laws of Ohio.

PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF SUMMIT, OH.

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Petitioner-elector and electors are residents and taxpayers of the City of Macedonia.

Mayor Kuchta has committed Malfeasance in his current term of office including:

1. Violation of State of Ohio Ethics Law. Mayor Kuchta failed to report to the Ethics Commission the gift of an asphalt walkway by a city road contractor, and a fishing trip paid for by GPD Group which contracts with the City of Macedonia for engineering and other services. Ex. 1.

2. Theft in office. Mayor Kuchta:

a. Received a salary as Service Director despite being ineligible to receive that salary. Ex. 2, City of Macedonia Charter Section 3.02; Ex. 3, paystubs and W-2.

b. Received taxpayer funded snow plowing and garbage pickup at no cost, which Macedonia provides to low income seniors, for which he was not eligible. Ex. 4.

 Failure to respond to Court orders. Mayor Kuchta hid a garnishment order for approximately two weeks for his own gain resulting in legal action against the City of Macedonia.
 Ex. 5.

4. Interference with the duties of public officials. Mayor Kuchta has blocked Finance Director Scott Svab from performing his duties. Ex. 6.

Plaintiff-Elector and Electors pray this Court hold a trial to remove Mayor Kuchta from office pursuant to R.C. Section 733.76 and that costs be paid by the Defendant.

I, Susan Belt, of 356 White Spruce Dr., Macedonia, Ohio 44056, plaintiff and resident-elector sign my name affirming the Complaint is well-founded, the allegations are accurate and intended to be in compliance with Revised Code Section 733.72 which permits any elector to bring this Complaint to remove an elected official of the City of Macedonia as intended by this filing.

Susan Belt, Plaintiff, Resident elector, The City of Macedonia.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 7 day of July, 2015.

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I, John Matijasich, 1186 River Run Dr., Macedonia, Ohio 44056, resident-elector sign my name affirming the Complaint is well-founded, the allegations are accurate and intended to be in compliance with Revised Code Section 733.72 which permits any elector to bring this Complaint to remove an elected official of the City of Macedonia as intended by this filing.

Resident-elector, The City of Macedonia.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this Haday of July, 2015.

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I, Jack Meade, 497 Robyn LN, Macedonia, Ohio 44056, resident-elector sign my name affirming the Complaint is well-founded, the allegations are accurate and intended to be in compliance with Revised Code Section 733.72 which permits any elector to bring this Complaint to remove an elected official of the City of Macedonia as intended by this filing.

Resident-elector, The City of Macedonia.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 74 day of July, 2015.

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I, Michael Miller, 1047 Berkshire Dr., Macedonia, Ohio 44056, resident-elector sign my name affirming the Complaint is well-founded, the allegations are accurate and intended to be in compliance with Revised Code Section 733.72 which permits any elector to bring this Complaint to remove an elected official of the City of Macedonia as intended by this filing.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 744day of July, 2015.

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I, Nancy Harrity, 8126 Wren Drive, Macedonia, Ohio 44056, resident-elector sign my name affirming the Complaint is well-founded, the allegations are accurate and intended to be in compliance with Revised Code Section 733.72 which permits any elector to bring this Complaint to remove an elected official of the City of Macedonia as intended by this filing.

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Resident-elector, The City of Macedonia.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 94day of July, 2015.

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Form No. OEC-2014 **OHIO ETHICS COMMISSION** FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT



This statement is to be filed in 2015

Financial information for calendar year 2014

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I have no creditors that I am required to list.

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9. OFFICES/FIDUCIARY RELATIONSHIPS - ALL FILERS MUST ANSWER THIS QUESTION:

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I have no offices or fiduciary relationships that I am required to list.

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- College or university trustee
- Candidate for a city, township, school district, or ESC position that is paid less than \$16,000 a year
- City, township, school district, ESC, or sanitary district official or employee serving in a position that is paid less than \$16,000 a year

10. FOOD OR BEVERAGES - SKIP THIS QUESTION IF LISTED IN BOX ABOVE:

(For help, see instructions page 8)

I have no sources of meals, food, or beverages that I am required to list.

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Form No. OEC-2013 **OHIO ETHICS COMMISSION** FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

This statement is to be filed in 2014

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12. NON-DISPUTED INFORMATION	N - ALL state employees, state officials and state board and commission members (except college and university
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13. SIGNATURE - ALL FILERS MUST SIGN THE STATEMENT:

(For help, see instructions page 9 and 10)

By signing this statement:

- I swear or affirm that this statement and any additional attachments have been prepared or carefully reviewed by me, and constitute my complete, truthful, and correct disclosure of all required information, and that the address listed on page 1 is a correct mailing address.
- I acknowledge and understand that, among other potential violations and penalties, knowingly filing a false statement is a criminal misdemeanor of the first degree, in violation of Sections 102.02(D) and 2921.13(A)(7) of the Revised Code, punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000, imprisonment of not more than six months, or both.
- I acknowledge and understand that filing a false statement may be grounds for removal from public office or dismissal from public employment pursuant to Sections 3.04 and 124.34 of the Revised Code.
- I acknowledge that, in 2013, I served in, or in 2014, I am serving in or a candidate for, the position indicated on page 1 of this statement.

If you have any questions before signing this form, please contact the Ohio Ethics Commission at (614) 466-7090.

Before signing this statement, please review to make sure that you have answered each question you are required to answer. If you have nothing to list in response to any question, check the box indicating that you have nothing to list. If the response to any required question is omitted, the Commission will return the statement to you as incomplete. Any person who fails to file a complete statement by the appropriate filing deadline will be assessed a late filing fee and may be subject to criminal penalty.

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YOUR SIGNATURE IS REQUIRED HERE:	Date: 2/14/2014

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Form No. OEC-2012 OHIO ETHICS COMMISSION

FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

This statement is to be filed in 2013

Financial information for calendar year 2012

Please type or print clearly. See instructions for assistance with this page.

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Section 3.01 Election and Term.

- (a) The Mayor shall be elected at each regular municipal election beginning in the year 1971 for a term of four (4) years, which term shall commence and he shall assume office on December 1 following his election, and shall hold office until his successor is elected and qualified.

 (Amended 11-2-04)
- (b) The position of Mayor shall be full-time, effective January 3, 2000. (Amended November 2, 1999)

Section 3.02 Qualifications.

The Mayor shall have been for at least two (2) years prior to the date of his election, and during his term of office shall be, a continuous resident and qualified elector of this Municipality, or territory annexed thereto, and shall have attained the age of twenty-five (25) years. The Mayor shall hold no other elective public office except that he may be a member of any duly constituted Charter Commission. He shall not be otherwise employed by, nor shall he hold any other office in this Municipality except as otherwise provided in this Charter or by ordinance enacted thereunder. (Amended November 7, 1989)

Section 3.03 Duties and Powers.

- (a) Executive Powers. The Mayor shall be the chief executive officer of the Municipality. He shall:
 - 1. Be the head of the Department of Public Safety:
- 2. Supervise the administration of the Municipal affairs;
- 3. Exercise control over all departments and divisions thereof, except Council;
- 4. Be chief conservator of the peace and cause all laws to be enforced:
- 5. Enforce performance under contracts;
- 6. Recommend to Council measures expedient for the welfare of the Municipality and keep Council informed of the condition and future of the Municipality;
- 7. Act as official and ceremonial head of the government:
- 8. Execute all contracts, conveyances, evidences of indebtedness, and all other instruments to which the Municipality is a party, along with the Director of Finance where required by ordinance;
 - 9. Have custody of the seal and may affix it as deemed proper:
 - 10. Perform other duties as required by the Charter, the Council and the laws of the State of Ohio;
- 11. Subject to other provisions of the Charter, have the power to appoint, promote, discipline, transfer, reduce or remove any official or employee, except those elected under the Charter and except employees of Council. Department heads shall be appointed by the Mayor subject to confirmation of a majority vote of those members elected to Council, or Council may disaffirm by a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote. In the event of Council's failure to act in either manner within thirty (30) days after notification by the Mayor, the appointment is automatically confirmed:
 - 12. Prepare an annual budget and submit same to Council;
 - 13. Have all other executive powers provided for mayors of municipalities in the Revised Code of the State of Ohio.
- (h) Legislative Powers
- 1. The Mayor shall preside at all Council meetings, be given a voice in the deliberations of Council, but he shall have no vote.
- 2. The heads of the departments shall be given the opportunity to participate in deliberations of Council on legislation pertaining to their departments but shall have no vote.
- 3. The Mayor shall have the right to recommend and introduce legislation to Council.
- 4. The Mayor shall review the minutes of the meetings of Council as prepared by the Clerk of Council and may present written or oral objections thereto at any meeting.
- (c) Veto Powers. The Mayor shall have five (5) days in which to approve or disapprove every ordinance or resolution adopted by the Council. If the Mayor disapproves said measure he shall within five (5) days after its adoption return the measure to the Clerk of Council with his written objections thereon, which objections shall be entered in full on the journal of the Council. If the Mayor does not sign or so return an ordinance or resolution within the five (5) day period, it shall take effect in the same manner as if he had signed it. The Mayor may approve or disapprove the whole or any item of an ordinance or resolution appropriating money, but otherwise his approval or disapproval shall be addressed to the entire ordinance or resolution. When the Mayor has disapproved an ordinance or resolution, or a part or item thereof as herein provided, the Council shall, not later than its next regular meeting, proceed to reconsider it, and if upon reconsideration the ordinance or resolution or part or item thereof disapproved by the Mayor be approved by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to Council, it shall then take effect without the signature of the Mayor in the same manner as if he had signed it. In all such cases, the votes shall be taken by yeas and nays and entered upon the journal. (Amended 11-5-85; 11-3-09)
- (d) Judicial Powers. The Mayor shall have all the judicial powers granted from time to time by the general laws of the State of Ohio to mayors of municipalities of the class of this Municipality.

 (Amended 11-3-09)

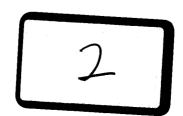
Section 3.04 Absence and Vacancy.

- (a) Absence. When the Mayor is absent from the Municipality, or for any reason is unable to perform his duties as Mayor, the President of Council shall become the acting Mayor, and while so acting shall have and exercise all of the powers of the Mayor, but he shall not thereby cease to be the President of Council. In the event the President of Council is absent from the Municipality, or for any reason is unable to perform his duties as acting Mayor, the Vice President of Council shall become the acting Mayor, and while so acting shall have all the powers and duties of the Mayor, but he shall not thereby cease to be Vice President of Council.
- (b) Vacancy. If the office of Mayor becomes vacant, the President of Council shall forthwith become Mayor and shall be qualified to fill said position within thirty (30) days after the date the vacancy occurs, as such date is determined by Council. The Vice President of Council. The Vice President of Council as oqualified to become Mayor if for any reason the President of Council fails to qualify as Mayor. When the President or Vice President of Council ascends to the position of Mayor, he shall serve as Mayor until a successor is elected by the voters and qualified.

Provided further that if a vacancy in the Mayor's office occurs within the first two years of the four year term. Council shall forthwith pass legislation fixing a special election for the office of Mayor in order that a Mayor shall be elected by the voters of the Municipality of Macedonia to serve during the remainder of the term of any Mayor who is for any reason unable to complete his term.

Any vacancy occurring in Council by reason of the President or Vice President ascending to the Mayor's position, shall be filled pursuant to the provisions of 4.12 of Article IV and a new President or Vice President, as the case may be, shall be elected by Council.

If Council shall pass legislation to hold a special election for the office of Mayor under the provisions of this section, then no councilman shall be appointed to fill a vacant Council seat until after such special election and the councilman serving as Mayor shall have a vote in Council, until the date of the special election.



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Macedonia taxpayers pick up Mayor Don Kuchta's garbage, snow plowing bills



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Don Kuchta's driveway and picking up his garbage as part of a program otherwise reserved for senior citizens with limited income.

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The mayor's home, listed under his wife's name, showed up on city invoices dated June

30 for the senior snow plow and senior garbage pickup programs. The services are normally restricted for senior citizens 65 and older who earn \$26,600 or less per year.

Kuchta, 72, who makes \$55,000 a year as mayor, is in the midst of a power struggle with City Council over firing Finance Director Scott Svab. Svab provided the invoices to Northeast Ohio Media Group.

Kuchta said he did not ask to be in the program, but was placed on the list because of his status as the city's public safety director.

"I was put on the snow plow list to make sure my drive was clear as the safety director of Macedonia," Kuchta said. "As far as the garbage, I have no idea of what my wife pays in bills. It is news to me if we don't pay for garbage."

The city's former service director, Jim Crevar, told NEOMG that the mayor asked to be included on the list, while the two men were in the mayor's office. Crevar worked as service director from 1997 until he retired in 2012.

Kuchta said the service had a different start.

"I believe it started when I had my right ankle broken so bad it was reconstructed from Titanium," Kuchta wrote. "I only missed two weeks of work. I also had open heart surgery. I am honored that my employees care about me and my health. I didn't ask for the plowing."

The police, fire and public service directors in Macedonia do not receive city-funded snow removal services at their residences.

It's unclear how long Kuchta has received free services. On the June 30 invoice, the cost

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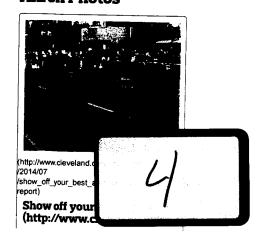
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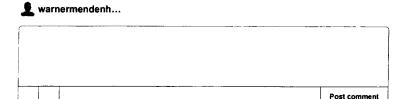
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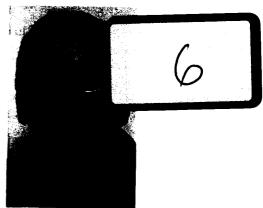
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(Video - update) Macedonia finance director still on leave despite Council voting down his termination

by Eric Marotta and Briana Barker Editor and Reporter Published: June 3, 2015 12:00AM

Macedonia -- Finance Director Scott Svab remains on paid administrative leave, despite Council's 3-2 vote May 27 against upholding his termination.

Mayor Don Kuchta fired Svab last October following law department allegations Svab ordered an employee to falsify an invoice, improperly delayed purchase orders from city departments, conducted personal business on city time, and other claims.

In October, Council voted against upholding Svab's termination and voted to conduct an investigation into the law department's allegations. Svab was placed on paid administrative leave pending the result, and has remained on leave ever since.

There have been three investigations concerning Svab, plus the initial one by the law department. Results of the latest investigation were discussed at a May 26 Council meeting.

Kuchta said Svab's status has not changed and he sent Svab a letter May 29 citing concerns brought to him by staff members explaining why Svab is not returning to work.

"The consensus is that your misconduct and inappropriate treatment of staff has distressed your former coworkers to the point that to them the mere thought of the possibility of your coming back is the source of extreme stress," Kuchta's letter stated.

Svab told the News Leader June 1 he would like to see documentation of who would be stressed by his return.

"If people worked with me and they told the truth, they have no reason to be stressful," Svab said. "They investigated me on every allegation that they had."

Svab said by not returning him to work, Kuchta is going against the charter. He said he would consult with Council