

Call to Order:

Medina City Council met in regular session on Monday, February 12, 2024 at Medina City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mr. John Coyne III, President of Council, who also led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

The roll was called with the following members of Council present: N. DiSalvo, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne. R. Haire was absent.

Also present were the following members of the Administration: Mayor Hanwell, Keith Dirham, Nino Piccoli, Patrick Patton, Lt. Marcum, Greg Huber, Jansen Wehrley, Chief Walters, Kimberly Marshall, Dan Gladish, and Andrew Dutton.

Minutes:

Mr. Shields moved that the minutes from the regular meeting on Monday, January 22, 2024 as prepared and submitted by the Clerk be approved, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and approved by the yeas of J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and N. DiSalvo.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Finance Committee: Mr. Coyne stated they met before council and will meet again on February 26, 2024.

Public Properties Committee: Mr. Shields had no report.

Health, Safety & Sanitation Committee: Mr. Simpson had no meetings scheduled. He and the Mayor will attend the quarterly LST Advisory Meeting on Thursday.

Special Legislation Committee: Mr. Rose had no report.

Streets & Sidewalks Committee: Ms. Haire was absent.

Water & Utilities Committee: Ms. Hazeltine had no report.

Emerging Technologies Committee: Ms. DiSalvo stated the Emerging Technologies Advisory Committee had a meeting on February 8th and discussed ongoing City website recommendations. The new version for Municipal Court website is up and running. Charging stations in the public parking deck at City Hall are now available to the public with use of their debit cards. She reported they spoke on the solar eclipse and the impact it may have on the city and the police department.

Requests for Council Action:

Health, Safety & Sanitation Committee

24-030-2/12 – Amend Code Ord. 941.06(B) – Residential Sanitation Rates

Finance Committee

24-024-2/12 – Then & Now – Deductible Recovery Group – Law Dept.

- 24-025-2/12 – 2024 Contribution to SPCA
- 24-026-2/12 – Increase P.O. #24-759 – Huntington Bank – Police Dept.
- 24-027-2/12 – Exp. Over \$20,000 – MNJ Technologies – IT Dept.
- 24-028-2/12 – Exp. Over \$20,000 – Dex Imaging – IT Dept.
- 24-029-2/12 – Amend Code, New Section 129.05 – Police Jurisdiction Outside Municipal Limits
- 24-031-2/12 – Amend S&B Code 31.05, Step Payscale Modifications – Municipal Court
- 24-032-2/12 – Lease with Lake Business Products – Municipal Court desk printers
- 24-033-2/12 – Purchase (1) 2024 F250 Pick Up Truck – Service
- 24-034-2/12 – Bids – 2024 Equipment & General Pavement Services
- 24-035-2/12 – Exp. Over \$20,000 – Chippewa Roofing – Water
- 24-036-2/12 – Amend Sex Offender Policy – MCRC
- 24-037-2/12 – Agreement w/ MS Consultants – Prospect Street Bridge Replacement
- 24-038-2/12 – Amend Ord. 189-22 – Fire Station #1 Parking Lot
- 24-039-2/12 – Exp. Over \$20,000 – New Harris P25 Radio System – Police Dept.
- 24-040-2/12 – Transfer Request – Railroad Fund
- 24-041-2/12 – Transfer Request – MCRC Capital
- 24-042-2/12 – Budget Amendment
- 24-043-2/12 – Agreement w/National Engr & Architectural Services -Prospect St. Bridge
- 24-044-2/12 – Exp. – KTS Equipment – Parks Dept.
- 24-045-2/12 – Cooperative Purchase, Roscoe Ewing Playground Replacement – Parks
- 24-046-2/12 – 2023 Carryforward
- 24-047-2/12 – Amend 31.07 – Revised Administrative Office Mgr. Job Description
- 24-048-2/12 – FAA Grant Application – Snow Removal Equipment at Airport

Reports of Municipal Officers:

Dennis Hanwell, Mayor,

- A. January 24th, 2024 he along with Council woman Natalie DiSalvo attended the Main Street Medina annual awards, the City was awarded Partnership of the year and Barbara Dzur was awarded Community Spirit of the year.
- B. 30th Annual Medina Ice Festival by Elegant Ice will be held on the square February 16th through 19th.
- C. NOACA will be mailing out travel surveys to randomly selected participants in five county regions, including Medina County.
- D. Black history month celebrations – Fellow Baptist Church 7pm 2/15; Second Baptist Church 7pm 2/22. Congratulations to Pastor Arthur Ruffin from Second Baptist for being selected as one of Greater Cleveland’s Difference Makers in recognition of Black history month.
- E. Proclamation recognizing Tom Jenkins for his 30 years of service representing the City of Medina on the Medina County Health Board.
- F. Mayor Hanwell introduced Main Street Medina Executive Director George Sam with 2023 year-end review.

Keith Dirham, Finance Director, Keith stated a reminder that all residents are required to file an income tax with RITA and forms are available at www.rita-ohio.com

Kimberly Marshall, Economic Development Director, Kimberly stated the next ribbon cutting is Friday the 16th at 1 p.m. for the Medina Rec Center Fitness Room addition and leisure pool.

Joe Toth, LST Director, Joe stated the Life Support Team completed 2023 with 3,522 ambulance calls for the City of Medina and for all three entities there were 5,359 calls and through January 2024 there were 307 calls in Medina City and with all three entities 478 calls.

Greg Huber, Law Department, had no report.

Lt. Marcum, Police Department, had no report.

Chief Walters, Fire Department, had no report.

Jansen Wehrley, Parks and Recreation Director, Jansen echoed what Nino said about a good winter, they have had a pretty productive one so far. Jansen thanked council for the opportunity to use ARPA Funds for the Skatepark. Rec Center completed 2nd annual indoor triathlon.

Dan Gladish, Building Official, stated the Building dept. is off to a fast pace. Since the first of the year, the dept. has issued 10 commercial construction plan approvals, construction is valued at \$36.5 million dollars.

Nino Piccoli, Service Director, stated the Service dept. has been able to catch up on a lot of tasks and functions they have not been able to do in previous winters, it's been a great winter.

Patrick Patton, City Engineer, had no report.

Andrew Dutton, Planning and Community Development Director, had no report.

Notices, communications and petitions:

There were none.

Unfinished Business:

There was none.

Introduction of Visitors:

Presentation – Denise Testa – Director, Medina County Fair Housing Office.

Amy Barnes – resides at 314 E. Washington St.

Stated she has endured vandalism and harassment in reference to the 20 + signs currently on her property. She would like to see an enforcement of the no litter ordinance. Amy asked for clear definition of signs and which ones the sign restriction ordinance applies to.

Introduction and consideration of ordinances and resolutions.

Mr. Shields moved to suspend the rules requiring three readings on the following ordinances and resolutions, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Ord. 22-24, Ord. 23-24, Ord. 24-24, Ord. 25-24, Ord. 26-24, Ord. 27-24, Ord. 28-24, Ord. 29-24, Ord. 30-24, Ord. 31-24, Ord. 32-24, Ord. 33-24, Ord. 34-24, and Ord. 35-24. The roll was call and the motion passed with the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, and J. Hazeltine.

Ord. 22-24

An Ordinance authorizing the expenditure of \$60,000 to Lake County Sewer Co. for the Street Department. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 022-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Nino stated this will allow the Street Dept. to continue the efforts with cleaning, grouting, and repairing of our storm sewers. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 022-24 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, J. Hazeltine, and P. Rose.

Ord. 23-24

An Ordinance authorizing the expenditure to Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company for the Sanitation Department. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 023-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Nino stated this company is supplying tires and service at state bid pricing. We have 14 trucks in sanitation and each truck uses about 20 tires per year. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 023-24 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, and J. Shields.

Ord. 24-24

An Ordinance amending Section 31.02 (B)(7) and 31.05 of the Salaries and Benefits Code of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to part-time Communication Officers for the Police Department. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 024-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 024-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Lt. Marcum stated this will allow them to keep part time communication officers to use as needed to fill the schedule. The emergency clause is requested so there is no employment gap with the current part time employees. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and failed by the nay votes of J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo. 4 yeas – 2 nays. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 024-24 passed by the yea votes of N. DiSalvo, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Ord. 25-24

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 179-23, passed November 13, 2023, relative to the expenditure to Green Home Solutions for rehabilitation work at 1244 Hadcock Rd., Brunswick. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 025-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 025-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Andrew Dutton stated this ordinance and the next together would allow to split previously approved CHIP funds. Emergency is requested as both of these projects have been underway. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and N. DiSalvo.

The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 025-24 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, and J. Hazeltine.

Ord. 26-24

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 3-24, passed January 8, 2024, relative to the expenditure to Green Home Solutions for rehabilitation work at 850 North Huntington Street. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 026-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 026-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, J. Hazeltine, and P. Rose. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 026-24 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, and J. Shields.

Ord. 27-24

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to solicit Request for Qualifications (RFQ's)/Request for Proposals (RFP's) for Consultant Services for the PY24 City of Medina Community Housing Impact and Preservation Program (CHIP) Grant applications, including administration, implementation and to award RFQ/RFP to the successful bidder. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 027-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 027-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Andrew stated the last two ordinances were from their program year 2022 CHIP Program and this is the beginning phases of program year 2024 CHIP. The emergency clause is requested as this is a very involved application, with multiple public hearings and research and need to move this as soon as possible. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 027-24 passed by the yea votes of N. DiSalvo, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Ord. 28-24

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to solicit Request for Qualifications (RFQ's)/Request for Proposals (RFP's) for Fair Housing Services for the PY24 City of Medina Community Housing Impact and Preservation (CHIP) Program applications and to award the RFQ/RFP to the successful bidder. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 028-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 028-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Andrew Dutton stated with their 2024 CHIP application they need to have a consultant for Fair Housing already under contract. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and N. DiSalvo. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 028-24 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, and J. Hazeltine.

Ord. 29-24

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to advertise for competitive bids and to award a contract to the successful bidder for a one-year supply of the various kinds of maintenance materials needed for the streets and water lines, including but not limited to salt, the

chemicals for use in the treatment of water, and water meters to be used by various departments of the City of Medina, Ohio. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 029-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Nino Piccoli stated this is their annual material bids. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 029-24 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, J. Hazeltine, and P. Rose

Ord. 30-24

An Ordinance amending Chapter 1333 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Medina, Ohio, relative to the adoption of the 2023 NFPA National Electrical Code. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 030-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Dan Gladish explained that on March 1, 2024 the State of Ohio Board of Buildings standards will be adopting a newer version of the commercial building mechanical plumbing and electric codes and as a state certified department we are mandated to follow and enforce the rules of the state. The electrical code will change from the 2017 to the 2023. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 030-24 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, and J. Shields.

Ord. 31-24

An Ordinance amending Chapter 1335 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to the adoption of the 2024 Edition of the Ohio Building Code and Related Codes. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 031-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Dan stated this is same as last ordinance as the Building code and related codes will change from 2017 to 2024 codes. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 031-24 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Ord. 32-24

An Ordinance amending Chapter 1345 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to the adoption of the 2024 Ohio Plumbing Code. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 032-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Same as above but with the Plumbing codes. This ordinance and the last two will only change commercial codes. The residential codes which is currently the 2019 will remain. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 032-24 passed by the yea votes of N. DiSalvo, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Ord. 33-24

An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Medina, Ohio, certifying that when a municipal obligation was incurred sums were lawfully appropriated in the funds to satisfy the obligation and sufficient sums currently exist to satisfy this obligation. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 033-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 033-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dirham stated they passed the deductible on this claim from 2020 so we have to pay this and the emergency is needed. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and N. DiSalvo. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 033-24 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, and J. Hazeltine.

Ord. 34-24

An Ordinance authorizing the Finance Director to make certain fund transfers. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 034-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Keith stated there are two transfers, one for \$10,000 city share of the annual cost of the operation of the railroad that the city owns and the other is \$130,000 which is part of the agreement we have with the school for operations of the rec center for the building capital costs. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 034-24 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, J. Hazeltine, and P. Rose

Ord. 35-24

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 190-23, passed November 28, 2023. (Amendments to 2024 Budget) Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 035-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Keith stated this is a pass through. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 035-24 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, and J. Shields.

Council comments

Dennie Simpson congratulated Mr. Jenkins on his years of service.
Appreciated the update on the Fair Housing.
Political season is heating up, lets move forward with kindness.

Jessica Hazeltine spoke on the Ice Festival this weekend and reminded everyone that we have a plethora of public parking we have available to us should you choose to use our legs and walk.

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.



Kathy Patton, Clerk of Council



John M. Coyne, III, President of Council

