

Call to Order:

Medina City Council met in regular session on Monday, February 26, 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: J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson. Jessica Hazeltine 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, and Andrew Dutton.

Minutes:

Mr. Shields moved that the minutes from the regular meeting on Monday, February 12, 2024 as prepared and submitted by the Clerk be approved, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and approved by the yea votes of N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Finance Committee: Mr. Coyne stated they met before council and will meet again in two weeks.

Public Properties Committee: Mr. Shields had no report.

Health, Safety & Sanitation Committee: Mr. Simpson had no meetings scheduled. He and the Mayor attended the quarterly LST Advisory Meeting for an update on finances. Dennie also attended the County 911 Program Review Committee meeting to discuss the future legislation provided by the State of Ohio that's going to affect the three municipalities in our county.

Special Legislation Committee: Mr. Rose had no report.

Streets & Sidewalks Committee: Ms. Haire had no report.

Water & Utilities Committee: Ms. Hazeltine was absent.

Emerging Technologies Committee: Ms. DiSalvo had no report.

Requests for Council Action:

Finance Committee

- 24-049-2/26 – 2024 Membership Renewal to Main Street Medina
- 24-050-2/26 – General Liability Insurance Renewal – Wichert Insurance
- 24-051-2/26 – Donate PC's to Medina City Schools – IT
- 24-052-2/26 – Bids, 2024 Concrete Pavement Joint Sealing
- 24-053-2/26 – Bids, 2024 Concrete Street Repair
- 24-054-2/26 – Amend Ord. 5-24, Medina Street Bridge Replacement
- 24-055-2/26 – Budget Amendments

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24-056-2/26 – Engineering Design Services for Progress Dr. Water Tower Recoating
24-057-2/26 – Body Camera Upgrade Project – Police
24-058-2/26 – Cyber Security Liability Insurance Renewal
24-059-2/26 – Exp. Over \$20,000 – Coulter Ventures (Rogue Fitness) – Police Workout Room
24-060-2/26 – Exp. Over \$20,000 – Design2Wellness – Fitness Equipment for MCRC

Reports of Municipal Officers:

Dennis Hanwell, Mayor,

- The 30th Annual Medina Ice Festival by Elegant Ice was held on the square February 16 - 19, 2024 and was well attended and appreciated. The weather was perfect and this event is great exposure for our city.
- NOACA will be mailing out travel surveys to randomly selected participants in five county regions, including Medina County. If selected you are encouraged to participate.
- Black History month celebrations were held at Fellowship Baptist Church February 15th and Second Baptist Church on February 22nd. Thanks to all who attended and took part including Claggett Middle School Choir. Thanks to Regi Hair, Jim Shields and Police Chief Kinney for attending.
- 2023 Annual report was sent out to Council, the press and public on Friday, February 23, 2024 and is also available on the City website. Please see respective department heads with any questions.
- Thanks to Nino & Nate for working during president’s day holiday treating flooring in City Hall. They look great!

Keith Dirham, Finance Director, Keith reminded everyone that all residents over 18 years old are required to file an income tax with RITA and forms are available at www.rita-ohio.com

Kimberly Marshall, Economic Development Director, was absent.

Greg Huber, Law Department, had no report.

Chief Kinney, Police Department, announced that on March 21st, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Medina Fire Station #1, the Medina Police Dept. is putting on a Protecting House of Worships Resource Seminar. This is for Pastors and church personnel to learn how to fortify up the church security and cameras.

The speaker will come out to the churches and do a security assessment. Please rsvp by contacting the police dept. at the non-emergency number 330-725-7777 and ask for Natalie.

Chief Walters, Fire Department, had no report.

Jansen Wehrley, Parks and Recreation Director, had no report.

Dan Gladish, Building Official, was absent.

Nino Piccoli, Service Director, Nino stated due to the nice weather the crews are working on spring tasks.

Patrick Patton, City Engineer, Patrick stated they will be closing West Smith again for the week of March 4th for some utility work, and pavement removal and replacement. Anticipating completion of the whole project in July.

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:

George Sam – MainStreet Medina Director spoke on the South Town District Design Plan, offering concepts for feedback and support not seeking any approvals or project funding at this time. When the time comes they will apply for matching grants and local funding to execute portions of the plan in partnership with the City of Medina and stakeholders.

Ben Levenger from RDS presented the South Town Design Plan proposal.

Judith Rice resides at 1151 N. Jefferson St.

Concerns: Bohaty property, development of 160 Homes and the traffic it will cause.

Medina Hotel issues with parking problems.

Mayor Hanwell responded with there is not a parking problem in the city of Medina but a walking problem in the city. The hotel and convention center are planning to add a significant number of additional spaces to park. The general public is using social media to try to create something that's non-existent. There have been several public meetings where the hotel project was approved and there will be more public meetings in the future.

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. 36-24, Ord. 37-24, Ord. 38-24, Ord. 39-24, Ord. 40-24, Ord. 41-24, Ord. 42-24, Ord. 43-24, Ord. 44-24, Res. 45-24, Ord. 46-24, Ord. 47-24, Ord. 48-24, Ord. 49-24, Ord. 50-24, Ord. 51-24, Ord. 52-24. The roll was call and the motion passed with the yea votes of R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and N. DiSalvo.

Ord. 36-24

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Management Agreement between the City of Medina and Cold Stream Air Services, Inc. for the management of the Medina Municipal Airport. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 036-24,

seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Huber stated this next year and a half is a trial period to see what revenues generate and what expenses there are and to try and find a balance. This will be revisited in about a year. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 036-24 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, and R. Haire.

Ord. 37-24

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Fixed Base Operation Lease between the City of Medina and Cold Stream Air Services, Inc. for the Medina Municipal Airport.

Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 037-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Coyne stated this is just the other part of the operation, fixed base operations. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 037-24 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, and P. Rose

Ord. 38-24

An Ordinance authorizing the expenditure of \$11,000.00 to the Medina County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) for animal related services for the year 2024.

Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 038-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Rose stated this is the City's annual donation to the SPCA. They have provided many years of valuable services to the city in helping to manage stray animals in our city. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 038-24 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose, and J. Shields.

Ord. 39-24

An Ordinance amending Chapter 129 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Medina, Ohio, by the addition of a new Section 129.05 relative to Police Jurisdiction for Property Outside Municipal Corporation Limits. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 039-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 039-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Chief Kinney stated over the years they've had issues arise occasionally at the Airport or at the Water Plant as these locations are both located outside of our jurisdiction but are city owned property. This would authorize us the jurisdiction on these properties. The emergency clause is requested because we like to have this ordinance in effect immediately. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 039-24 passed by the yea votes of N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Ord. 40-24

An Ordinance authorizing the purchase of one (1) 2024 Ford F250 Pick-Up Truck from Montrose Ford for the Street Department. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 040-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Piccoli stated this will be replacing a 2011 GMC pickup truck. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 040-24 passed by the yea votes of R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and N. DiSalvo.

Ord. 41-24

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to advertise for competitive bids and to award a

contract to the successful bidder for the 2024 Equipment and Asphalt General Paving Services Program for the Service Department. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 041-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Nino explained this is for their annual asphalt services program. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 041-24 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, and R. Haire

Ord. 42-24

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 189-22, passed October 11, 2022 relative to the Requests for bids for the Fire Station #1 Parking Lot Replacement Project. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 189-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Patton explained that during the construction of the replacement of the existing parking lot at Fire Station #1, there were significant areas of unsuitable soils detected. We had to modify the soil with additional efforts necessary to make it a suitable surface to place the concrete and that resulted increased costs. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 189-24 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, and P. Rose.

Ord. 43-24

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 190-23, passed November 28, 2023. (Amendments to 2024 Budget – 2023 Carryforward) Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 043-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Keith stated this is a re-appropriation of unspent appropriations from 2023. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 043-24 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, and J. Shields.

Ord. 44-24

An Ordinance amending Section 31.07 of the Salaries and Benefits Code of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to accepting the revised job description for Administrative Office Manager. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 044-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mayor Hanwell stated this resulted due to Sherry retiring in May of this year. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 044-24 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Res. 45-24

A Resolution authorizing an application for grant assistance with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the Ohio Department of Transportation Department of Aviation (ODOT) for snow removal equipment for the Medina Municipal Airport. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 045-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 045-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Patrick Patton stated this piece of equipment is estimated to cost \$300,000 and we would get \$270,000 from the FAA, \$15,000 from ODOT and the city share would be \$15,000. Emergency clause is needed due to time restraints with the application. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 045-24 passed by the yea votes of R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and N. DiSalvo.

Ord. 46-24

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with MS Consultants, Inc. for Engineering Design Services for the Prospect Street Bridge Replacement Project. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 046-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Patton stated they were awarded \$200,000 towards design of this project. The actual total cost for the services is a little over \$240,000. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 046-24 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, and R. Haire.

Ord. 47-24

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to accept the proposal from National Engineering & Architectural Services, Inc. (NEAS) for Geotechnical Services for the Prospect Street Bridge Replacement Project. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 047-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Patrick stated this is the same description as the last ordinance. This is for the Geotech work and our cost is \$37,000. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 047-24 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, and P. Rose

Ord. 48-24

An Ordinance authorizing the purchase of a replacement playground for Roscoe Ewing Park from Snider Recreation, Inc. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 048-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Wehrley stated this is to replace the playground at Roscoe Ewing Park which was originally installed in 1997. Repair of this existing structure is no longer a viable option. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 048-24 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose, and J. Shields.

Ord. 49-24

An Ordinance repealing and replacing Ordinance No. 90-22, passed April 25, 2022, relative to the Sexual Offender Plan of Action Policy for the Medina Community Recreation Center. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 049-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Wehrley stated this is to clarify their ID policy at the rec center. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 049-24 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Ord. 50-24

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Wichert Insurance for the City's Property and General Liability Insurance for the period of April 1, 2024 through March 31, 2025. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 050-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mayor Hanwell stated this is an annual renewal. The renewal this year is \$232,230.00. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 050-24 passed by the yea votes of N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Ord. 51-24

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. 051-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 051-24 passed by

the yeas votes of R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and N. DiSalvo.

Ord. 52-24

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America for the City's Cyber Security Liability Insurance for the period of April 1, 2024 through April 1, 2025. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 052-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mayor Hanwell stated this is for cyber security and it is about a 10% increase which is a difference of about \$2,178,00 from last year. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 052-24 passed by the yeas votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, and R. Haire.

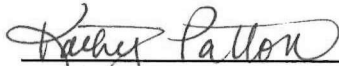
Council comments

Regi Haire announced that council members appreciate comments that they provide whether it be on a regular basis or once in a great while and we encourage the citizens of our community to become more involved in our community and attend our meetings to hear what is going on. The public has an opportunity to become involved and get information that we discuss during finance meetings and council. Contact the Council Clerk Kathy Patton, give her your email address, and the information on these meetings can be sent to you.

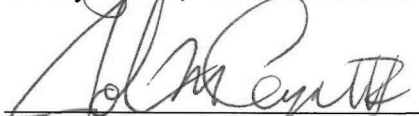
Natalie DiSalvo encouraged the people of Medina to please vote and support our city schools.

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.



Kathy Patton, Clerk of Council



John M. Coyne, III, President of Council

