

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL
Monday, September 27th, 2021

6:45 p.m. - Mayor Hanwell - State of the City Address.

Call to Order:

Medina City Council met in regular session on Monday, September 27th, 2021 at Medina City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Council President John Coyne III who led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

The roll was called with the following members of Council present J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Also present were the following members of the Administration: Mayor Dennis Hanwell, Greg Huber, Keith Dirham, Patrick Patton, Kimberly Marshall, Police Chief Kinney, Fire Chief Walters, Jansen Wehrley, and Dan Gladish.

Minutes:

Mr. Shields moved that the minutes from the regular meeting on Monday, September 13, 2021, as prepared and submitted by the Clerk be approved, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and the motion passed by the yea votes of E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and J. Hazeltine.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Finance Committee: Mr. Coyne stated the Finance Committee met prior to this evening's Council meeting and will meet again in two weeks.

Health, Safety & Sanitation Committee: Mr. Simpson had no report.

Public Properties Committee: Mr. Shields had no report.

Special Legislation Committee: Mr. Lamb has scheduled a meeting October 13th at 5 p.m. to discuss proposed amendment to Chapter 145 clarifying language that relates to Demolition. TNR program for feral cats is on the agenda tonight for funding.

Streets & Sidewalks Committee: Mr. Heffinger stated he has a request for council action in Streets and Sidewalks for looking into whether to build a traffic light at the intersection of Rt. 57 and Sugarhouse and Lexington.

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

Emerging Technologies Committee: Mr. Rose stated they have based on the last meeting the new wording for the Advisory Committee and it has moved over to the Law Department waiting for review and comment. He announced he has a meeting scheduled October 4th at 5 p.m. to discuss a Cyber Security Incident Response Policy to fulfill an audit requirement, and also to discuss a Flock Camera System for the Police Department.

Requests for Council Action:

Finance Committee

- 21-181-9/27 – Budget Amendments
- 21-182-9/27 – Fund Advance Request
- 21-183-9/27 – Decorative Railing, N. Broadway & Spring Grove Culvert Replacements
- 21-184-9/27 – Discussion – City Hall Parking Deck Electric Vehicle Charging Stations
- 21-185-9/27 – Amend Ord. 104-21 – Account corrections
- 21-186-9/27 – Amend Ord. 85-21 – Account corrections
- 21-187-9/27 – Accept Amounts & Rates as Determined by Budget Commission

Streets & Sidewalks Committee

- 21-188-9/27 – Installation of Traffic Signal – Sugarhouse Ln / Rt. 57 & Lexington Ridge

Emerging Technologies Committee

- 21-189-9/27 – Expenditure – Flock Camera Systems, Flock Industries – Police/Service

Reports of Municipal Officers:

Dennis Hanwell, Mayor

- A. Medina Farmer’s Market- Each Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- B. State of City was presented to the Medina Area Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday, September 14th and to City Council just prior to tonight’s Council meeting. Links for both will be placed on websites for Medina TV, city and city departments. Proud of the ongoing efforts of staff and positive/collaborative working relationship between the Administration and Medina City Council for past twelve years.
- C. The City of Medina is proud and honored to have Medina County Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Executive Director Phillip Titterington receive the 2020 Faithful Servant Award at the Harvest of Justice and Peace Awards Celebration on Sunday, September 19th, at St. Martin of Tours Parish in Valley City. This event was presented by the Catholic Commission of Wayne, Ashland and Medina Counties. Proud to attend with State Rep. Sharon Ray, County Commissioner Steve Hambley and fellow ADAMH Board member Lou DeLoss.
- D. Local Churches hosting 3-day Unity Revival - September 28, 29, & 30 at 7 p.m. at Cornerstone Chapel, 3939 Granger Rd. Community choir made up of various churches and different speakers and participants each night. Hope to see you there!
- E. Proclamation - September is Prostate Cancer Awareness Month - Stephanie Mueller

Keith Dirham, Finance Director, stated the bond sales are completed.

Greg Huber, Law Department, had no report.

Chief Kinney, Police Department, had no report.

Chief Walters, Fire Department, stated that beginning tonight and running through Sunday,

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October 3rd the Fire Department will be participating in a program titled Light the Night. This is through the National Fallen Fire Fighters Foundation in remembrance of fallen firefighters in the line of duty across the country.

Kimberly Marshall, Economic Development Director, stated they are in Phase 3 for the Comprehensive Plan Update which involves our community engagement event. Upcoming community engagement event will be a virtual community meeting on Thursday, September 30th at 6 p.m.

Economic Development Meeting is Wednesday, September 29th at 8 a.m. at the Medina County Career Center. Display boards are provided for feedback at Medina City Hall and at the Rec Center. Next round of ribbon cuttings will be on Friday, October 8th, there are six scheduled that day starting at 10 a.m.

Jansen Wehrley, Parks and Recreation Director, stated on Saturday, October 9th from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. the Friends of the Cemetery will be hosting the Spring Grove Arboretum Walk About self-guided tour.

Cindy Lastuka, Municipal Court, not in attendance.

Dan Gladish, Building Official, had no report.

Nino Piccoli, Service Director, not in attendance.

Patrick Patton, City Engineer, stated they started the West Liberty Street Storm Sewer City Hall Parking Deck Detention Basin project today. Project should take about 6 weeks to finish. We will, for a time during the project, close the eastern side of the parking lot and there will be no access to the Parking Deck from Liberty during that time.

Notices, communications and petitions:

Liquor Permit:

Mr. Shields moved not to object to the issuance of a D-3 permit to Grab N Go Firewood LLC dba Grab N Go Beverage & Market 236B N. State Rd. & Patio. Motion seconded by Mr. Simpson and approved by the yeas votes of B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, and E. Heffinger.

Unfinished Business:

There was none.

Introduction of Visitors:

There were none.

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. 155-21, Ord. 156-21, Ord. 157-21, Ord. 158-21, Ord.

159-21, Res. 160-21, Ord. 161-21, Ord. 162-21, Ord. 163-21, and Ord. 164-21. The roll was called and the motion passed with the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, and B. Lamb.

Ord. 155-21:

An Ordinance authorizing the expenditure of \$10,000.00 to the Medina County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) for the Medina Meow Fix Trap and Release Program. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 155-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 155-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mayor Hanwell stated this passed through Special Legislation as well as the Finance Committee and he respectfully asks Council's approval. The Mayor and Councilman Shields met with the Stephenson Foundation Board this afternoon where they approved a matching \$10,000 to assist with this program, but not limited to just the city. Emergency request is needed because these volunteers are and have been for the past month performing these duties. Mr. Lamb thanked Mayor Hanwell and Councilman Shields for their assistance to provide the full amount requested. Thank you to all members of the Medina Meow Fix. Mrs. Hazeltine stated she has nothing but good things to say about Medina Meow Fix. She thanked the Mayor and Mr. Shields for securing the additional funding. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, and P. Rose. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 155-21 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, and J. Shields.

Ord. 156-21:

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to solicit Requests for Proposals (RPF's) for drug screening and Association Professional Services for the employees of the City of Medina. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 156-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mayor Hanwell stated they do this annually to get the various vendors in town that provide this service the availability to bid on it and to find the best value for the City with the tax dollars that we need to spend on this. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 156-21 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Ord. 157-21:

An Ordinance rejecting all proposals submitted for Marketing and Solicitation Services for the Medina Community Recreation Center. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 157-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Wehrley stated that they solicited for RFP's and received one proposal that was primarily for naming rights which conflicts with our joint operating agreement. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 157-21 passed by the yea votes of J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Ord. 158-21:

An Ordinance amending Section 31.05 of the Salaries and Benefits Code of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to the Water Department. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 158-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mayor Hanwell spoke for Nino,

stating they would like to reclassify a number of employees in the Water department. (2) Operation Technicians to one fulltime and then increase our Water Technicians from (1) to (3). The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 158-21 passed by the yea votes of J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Ord. 159-21:

An Ordinance amending Section 31.05 and 31.07 of the Salaries and Benefits Code of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to the Recreation Center Supervisor and accepting the Revised Job Description for Facility Supervisor. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 159-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Wehrley explained this is to revise the classification and job description of the Recreation Supervisor and rename that position to Facility Supervisor to better align with the job duties. Looking to advertise and fill the position now that traffic at the rec center has increased. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 159-21 passed by the yea votes of B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, and E. Heffinger.

Res. 160-21:

A Resolution authorizing an Application for a Loan relative to Phase 3 of the North Huntington Street Reconstruction from the State of Ohio, Ohio Public Works Commission. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 160-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Patton stated they applied for a grant for the same project in addition this year they are required to apply for a loan with 0% interest and no early prepayment penalties. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 160-21 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, and B. Lamb.

Ord. 161-21:

An Ordinance authorizing the purchase of two (2) 2021 replacement Body Mark 3 Dump Truck Beds for Ford F-550 from Henderson Products, Inc. for the Street Department. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 161-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mayor Hanwell stated these were in the budget and are a State Bid and replacing some outdated and aging trucks for the Service Department. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 161-21 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, and P. Rose.

Ord. 162-21:

An Ordinance amending Section 31.09 (F) of the Salaries and Benefits Code of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to Overtime pertaining to Part-Time Firefighters. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 162-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Chief Walters stated they use part-time firefighters that have full-time employment elsewhere for staffing and over the last number of years they've had a hard time getting guys to sign up for those shifts when do fall on the holidays. Now with weekend staffing they will capture all those holidays throughout the year and in an effort to ensure that we have adequate staffing for those days we are asking to properly incentivize those firefighters on those days. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 162-21 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, and J. Shields. Mr. Shields moved for this ordinance to be effective retroactive to

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September 1, 2021, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Roll was called and motion passed by the yea votes of J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Ord. 163-21:

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 217-20, passed December 14th, 2020. (Amendments to 2021 Budget) Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 163-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 163-21 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Ord. 164-21:

An Ordinance authorizing the Finance Director to make certain fund advances. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 164-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 164-21 passed by the yea votes of J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Council Comments:


Mr. Rose congratulated Medina Meow Fix

Ms. Hazeltine spoke on her lapel pin from the Juvenile Detention Center, Be a Light in the Dark Art exhibition they had. She thanked the Mayor for the State of the City, and she also reminded residents she has the Comprehensive Plan link on her council Facebook page. Ms. Hazeltine praised Stephanie Mueller for all her hard work on behalf of Prostate Cancer Awareness and education.


Mr. Lamb also thanked the Mayor for his great presentation on the State of the City. The Medina County Arts Council held their annual Harvest for the Arts and distributed Service Awards. Bill thanked Paul and Jessica for their help at the event.

Mr. Coyne stated October 6th is final budget meeting at 5:00 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.



Kathy Patton, Clerk of Council



John M. Coyne, President of Council