

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL

Tuesday, October 12, 2021

Call to Order:

Medina City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, October 12, 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 E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and J. Hazeltine.

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

Minutes:

Mr. Shields moved that the minutes from the regular meeting on Monday, September 27, 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 B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, and E. Heffinger.

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 stated there is a Special Legislation meeting scheduled for 5 p.m. on Thursday, October 14th to review proposed legislation on Demolition in the Historic District. Looking for a workable date to return to issue of deer population.

Streets & Sidewalks Committee: Mr. Heffinger is looking to have a meeting in late November to potentially look at adding a street light at Sugarhouse/Rt. 57 intersection.

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

Emerging Technologies Committee: Mr. Rose stated at their last meeting they discussed and presented to Finance this evening a presentation from Flock for a security camera system.

Requests for Council Action:

Finance Committee

21-190-10/12 – Transfer Request, Parking Fund

21-191-10/12 – Budget Amendments

21-192-10/12 – Increase Expenditure – Litchfield Heating P.O. #2021-1345

21-193-10/12 – Expenditure Over \$15,000 – Wolff Bros. Supply – Service Dept.

- 21-194-10/12 – Consent to Walter Haverfield re: CIC – Liberty View Development Project
- 21-195-10/12 – Fair Market Value Estimates – West Smith Reconstruction Project
- 21-196-10/12 – Grant, Office of Criminal Justice Services – Body Worn Cameras – PD
- 21-197-10/12 – Grant, Bureau of Justice Assistance – Bulletproof Vests – PD
- 21-198-10/12 – Income Tax Reallocation (to be discussed at final budget meeting)
- 21-199-10/12 – Approve Lease Extension – Willams Scotsman, Inc. – Municipal Court
- 21-200-10/12 – 410 E. Smith Rd. (Discussion)

Reports of Municipal Officers:

Dennis Hanwell, Mayor

- A. Medina Farmer's Market- Each Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. - last one is October 16th.
- B. 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. Excellent event, well attended and pleased with number of churches taking part and promoting the event. Thank you to Chief Kinney and Councilman at Large Paul Rose for attending with me.
- C. Medina Restaurant Week - October 4-16- prizes and specials. Encourage all to support our local businesses.
- D. MedinaTV- has candidate interviews on their website, MedinaTV channel, and Facebook. These are candidates for Medina city positions, surrounding township positions and the Medina City School Board elections.
- E. Pleased to announce selection for Community Development Director position - Andrew Dutton grew up in Medina attending MHS. He obtained a Bach. of Science-Major Urban Planning from OH University and a Master of City and Regional Planning from The Ohio State University. He was most recently employed as the Planning and Zoning Manager for the City of Wooster for past 8.5 years. Andrew also served on Medina Planning Commission Board. Andrew lives in Medina with his wife and children and I respectfully ask Council's confirmation of his appointment this evening and to welcome him to our team.

Keith Dirham, Finance Director, had no report.

Greg Huber, Law Department, was not in attendance.

Chief Kinney, Police Department, reminded residents to please lock your vehicles, we are continuing to receive complaints regarding thefts from vehicles, as well as vehicles being stolen. Please do not leave any valuables, keys or key fobs inside your vehicles.

Chief Walters, Fire Department, stated this past Saturday was an open house that the Fire Department had. It was a successful event and very well attended. Chief thanked everyone that came out.

Kimberly Marshall, Economic Development Director, stated this evening relative to the Medina Comprehensive Plan update we are still in the third phase of the project which entails community

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engagement and the consultant which is OHM Advisors, recently put together a presentation to view on the Comprehensive Plan website for the community to be able to provide their input and feedback. Set up again at Cool Beans Café on October 20th 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. They are asking members of Council, the Administration, and the public to please go to our project website to take the survey www.medinacompplan2021.wordpress.com

Jansen Wehrley, Parks and Recreation Director, was absent.

Cindy Lastuka, Municipal Court, was not in attendance.

Dan Gladish, Building Official, stated the Building Department is still moving at a pretty fast pace and construction hasn't slowed down.

Nino Piccoli, Service Director, stated normally the leaf pick up would start the third week in October but seems the leaves are still hanging on so start date is delayed until first week of November.

Patrick Patton, City Engineer, updated everyone on the West Liberty Street Storm Sewer and City Hall Detention Basin project. It is ahead of schedule and should have the underground work finished by the end of the week and hope to have the parking lot reopened to the public by the end of the following week.

Confirm Mayor's Director Appointment

Andrew Dutton, Community Development Director

Mr. Shields moved to confirm the Mayor's Director Appointment, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and motion passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, and B. Lamb.

Notices, communications and petitions:

There were none.

Unfinished Business:

There was none.

Introduction of Visitors:

Brian Feron resident at 3335 Myers Rd., Medina Twp. Brian came tonight to speak on the renewal levy for the Medina County Home and to request everyone's support.

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. 165-21, Ord. 166-21, Res. 167-21, Ord. 168-21, and Ord. 169-21. The roll was called and the motion passed with the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, and P. Rose.

Ord. 165-21:

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 85-21, passed May 24th, 2021, relative to the North Broadway and Spring Grove Culvert Projects. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 165-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 165-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dirham stated the account number is changing. Mr. Patton stated they have awarded a contract for this project. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yeas of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, and J. Shields. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 165-21 passed by the yeas of J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Ord. 166-21:

An Ordinance amending Section 2 of Ordinance No. 104-21, passed June 28, 2021, relative to the East Reagan Parkway Multi-Purpose Trail Lighting Project. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 166-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dirham stated this is another change of an account number for a different year of the same grant. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 166-21 passed by the yeas of J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Res. 167-21:

A Resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission, authorizing the necessary tax levies, and certifying them to the County Auditor. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 167-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 167-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dirham stated the emergency clause is needed due to these rates having to be certified to the County Auditor by October 29th. This ordinance is to accept the amounts and rates. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yeas of E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and J. Hazeltine. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 167-21 passed by the yeas of B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, and E. Heffinger.

Ord. 168-21:

An Ordinance authorizing the Finance Director to make certain fund transfers. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 168-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dirham stated this is a transfer to the Parking Fund due to it not having sufficient revenues to cover its operation. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 168-21 passed by the yeas of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, and B. Lamb.

Ord. 169-21:

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. 169-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dirham stated the first one is to cover the cost of collection of the income tax and the rest relate to a grant that the court gets. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 169-21 passed by the yeas of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, and P. Rose.

Council Comments:

Mr. Heffinger stated that this past weekend councilman Lamb and himself got help with the South Town cleanup again. There was a great turnout. Eric is always surprised at how much trash they pull out of the same areas over and over again. The worst is the cigarette butts, there are a billion of them every time. If you smoke, please, please put them in the little ashtrays so that they're not all over everywhere. Thank you, to everyone that came out to help. Welcome Andrew Dutton.

Mr. Simpson also welcomed Andrew. Dennie completely agrees with the need for the levy for the Medina County Home and hopes our community and the county will support it. He stated he attended the Fire Department Open House and stated it was a great time and great turn out. Be kind to one another.

Mrs. Hazeltine reported she was at the Eagle Scout ceremony for one of Medina County's very first female Eagle Scouts. Congratulations to Olivia Ortiz. She welcomed Mr. Dutton and stated that early voting has started, so get to the polls!

Mr. Lamb welcomed Mr. Dutton stating it's great to have him here. Bill thanked Brian Ferron for the plug for the County Home, we are responsible for and taking care of people.

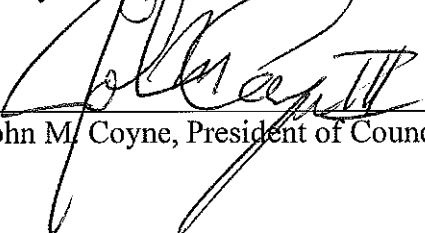
Mr. Rose thanked Brian for speaking on behalf of the County Home. October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Paul wears Pink in honor of his grandmothers and his sister. He welcomed Andrew Dutton. He stated that the deer issue is the number one problem this community has concerns about.

John Coyne stated we do have a charter and this election we have a charter amendment which is issue #6 to vote whether or not to have an elected or appointed Finance Director. There is a YouTube video that gives some information on it and he urges you to watch it for more information. Go out and vote and make your determination of whether you want elected or appointed finance director. A yes vote would be for an appointed finance director and a no vote would be for elected finance director. The last time this was on the ballot was back in the 1960's and it was a close vote of 75 votes difference for an elected position as opposed to an appointed position.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.



Kathy Patton, Clerk of Council



John M. Coyne, President of Council

