

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL
Monday, October 25, 2021

Call to Order:

Medina City Council met in regular session on Monday, October 25, 2021 at Medina City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President of Council Pro-Tem, Jim Shields, who led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Shields announced that Mr. Coyne is the acting Mayor tonight.

Roll Call:

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

Also present were the following members of the Administration: Acting Mayor – John Coyne, Greg Huber, Keith Dirham, Nino Piccoli, Patrick Patton, Kimberly Marshall, Police Chief Kinney, and Andrew Dutton.

Minutes:

Mr. Simpson moved that the minutes from the regular meeting on Tuesday, October 12, 2021, as prepared and submitted by the Clerk be approved, seconded by Mr. Rose. The roll was called and the motion passed by the yea votes of E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, 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 stated they are looking to schedule a meeting sometime in November.

Special Legislation Committee: Mr. Lamb stated that the Finance Committee passed the demolition legislation and will go through three readings and come back to Council for approval. Discussion and hearing on the issue of deer sometime in November.

Streets & Sidewalks Committee: Mr. Heffinger had no report.

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

Emerging Technologies Committee: Mr. Rose stated the cyber security policy was passed in the Finance Committee and will move onto Council.

Requests for Council Action:

Finance Committee

21-201-10/25 – Amend Ord. 943.11 – Cemetery Fees

21-202-10/25 – Increase PO #21-329 – MNJ Technologies – Police

21-203-10/25 – Increase PO #21-939 – Rocco Masonry & Concrete – Service

21-204-10/25 – Then & Now – Rudick Forensic Engineering – Law Dept.

21-205-10/25 – Preliminary Legislation ODOT – US42 Signal Timing

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21-206-10/25 – Purchase of Treadmills – MCRC
21-207-10/25 – MCRC Logo Discussion
21-208-10/25 – 2020 Capital Grant – Expend. To Main St. Lighting – Lampposts
21-209-10/25 – Purchase (1) 2022 Ford F250 Truck – Parks Department

Reports of Municipal Officers:

John Coyne, Acting Mayor stated that Trick or Treat is this weekend and will be held in the City of Medina between the hours of 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. on Sunday.

Keith Dirham, Finance Director, stated there is one item that came from Finance and he will address it tonight.

Greg Huber, Law Department, Welcomed Andrew Dutton to his first official Council meeting.

Chief Kinney, Police Department, had no report.

Chief Walters, Fire Department, was not in attendance.

Kimberly Marshall, Economic Development Director, stated they are coming to the home stretch on the community engagement on the Medina Comprehensive Plan Update. Please take online survey at www.medinacompplan2021.wordpress.com need more feedback. Sending out updated schedule soon. Friday, November 5th is the next round of ribbon cuttings starting at 11 a.m. Griddles Café – 986 North Court St., 1 p.m. Medina Sports Training Center – 879 South Progress Drive, 3 p.m. Ohio Gray Baseball – 569 North State Road, and then 4 p.m. Reverie– 56 Public Square. She announced they have changed their notification process – now using Constant Contact to email invites and they are asking people to either accept or decline ribbon cutting invites. November 2nd is next City of Medina Economic Development Committee meeting 8 a.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room at City Hall.

Jansen Wehrley, Parks and Recreation Director, absent.

Cindy Lastuka, Municipal Court, had no report.

Dan Gladish, Building Official, absent.

Nino Piccoli, Service Director, stated the Leaf Program will start Monday, November 1st. Rake your leaves to the end of the tree lawn NOT INTO THE STREET! We will have 3 trucks running through the city daily.

Patrick Patton, City Engineer, had no report.

Andrew Dutton, Planning & Community Development Director, stated he was able to attend the Boards and Commissions meetings on October 14th, notable projects were: site plan approval for facility on Branch Road, McDowell Phillips house received approval from Planning

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Commission and Historic Review Board for some exterior changes in phase one of a larger project. Thanks to everyone for the warm welcome.

Notices, communications and petitions:

There were none.

Unfinished Business:

There was none.

Introduction of Visitors:

There were none.

Introduction and Consideration of Ordinances and Resolutions:

Mr. Simpson moved to suspend the rules requiring three readings on the following ordinances and resolutions, seconded by Mr. Rose: Ord. 170-21, Ord. 171-21, Ord. 172-21, Ord. 173-21, Ord. 174-21, Res. 175-21, Res. 176-21, Ord. 177-21, and Ord. 178-21. The roll was called and the motion passed with the yea votes of B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Hazeltine, and E. Heffinger.

Ord. 170-21:

An Ordinance authorizing the expenditure, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the Government Agency Customer Agreement with Flock Safety for a License Plate Scanning System for the Police and Street Departments. Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 170-21, seconded by Mr. Rose. Chief Kinney stated this is for Flock Safety License Plate Recognition Program for the Police and Service Departments. This system will assist the Police Department in the investigation of crimes involving motor vehicles here in the City of Medina. This agreement has been reviewed and approved by the Law Director. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 170-21 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, and B. Lamb.

Ord. 171-21:

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement consenting to Walter Haverfield, LLC representation of the Medina City Development Corporation (CIC) in relation to matters related to the Liberty View Development Project, waiving any conflict related to that representation. Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 171-21, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Huber stated that Todd Hunt from the Walter Haverfield Law Firm is advising the Historic Preservation Board in the upcoming demolition hearing on Dr. Raymond's Building, Greg is presenting the case to the Board. At the same time one of the other partners of this law firm has been assisting Kimberly Marshall with some contractual issues concerning the Liberty View Project and that is for the CIC. The CIC is a separate entity from the City of Medina, and so this authorizes the Mayor to recognize that same law firm is advising two different entities. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 171-21 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, and P. Rose.

Ord. 172-21:

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. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 170-21, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Dirham stated this is to pay an invoice to an engineering firm, the invoice was from September 8th. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 170-21 passed by the yea votes of J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Ord. 173-21:

An Ordinance authorizing the increase of the expenditure to LHI Litchfield Heating, Inc. for the Public Buildings Department. Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 170-21, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Piccoli stated they replaced the HVAC rooftop unit a year ago with COVID CARES funding for Phase One. Phase two is the VAV boxes which control the airflow to each area by thermostat. There are 40 boxes in total. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 170-21 passed by the yea votes of votes of E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Hazeltine.

Ord. 174-21:

An Ordinance authorizing an appraisal (Fair Market Value Estimates) for the West Smith Reconstruction Project. Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 174-21, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Simpson moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 174-21, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Patton stated the West Smith Road project is receiving some federal funds and it is required that we utilize a certified property negotiator, they have prepared the fair market estimate for the 15 properties that we need to acquire an easement from. We accept these estimates as submitted and authorize the consultant to proceed with negotiations using these values. Emergency is needed because this is requiring the right-of-way which is typically the longest task to be done in federal projects, and would like to get started as soon as they can. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Hazeltine, and E. Heffinger. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 174-21 passed by the yea P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, and B. Lamb.

Res. 175-21:

A Resolution authorizing the application and acceptance reimbursements from the Patrick Leahy Bulletproof BJA Grant for the purchase of seven (7) bulletproof vests for the Police Department. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 175-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Chief Kinney explained this is to apply and accept the Bureau of Justice Assistance Grant for 7 Bullet proof vests in the amount of \$3,411.50. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 175-21 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, and P. Rose.

Res. 176-21:

A Resolution authorizing the filing of a grant application to the Office of Criminal Justice Services, State of Ohio for the 2022 Body Worn Camera Grant Program for the Police

Department. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 176-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Chief Kinney stated this is for the Police Department to apply and accept the Office of Criminal Justice Services Grant for body worn camera program. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 176-21 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, and J. Shields.

Ord. 177-21:

An Ordinance authorizing an amendment to the Lease Agreement with Williams Scotsman, Inc., for the lease of a Flex Portable Building for the Medina Municipal Court. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 177-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 177-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mrs. Lastuka stated this is an extension of the lease and would take them to May 2022. Emergency clause is requested because the current lease expires at the end of this month. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 177-21 passed by the yea votes of E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Hazeltine.

Ord. 178-21:

An Ordinance amending the codified ordinances of the City of Medina, Ohio, by the addition of a New Chapter 138 relative to establishing the Emerging Technology Advisory Committee. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 178-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Rose stated this advisory committee came out of discussion with the Charter Review Committee. Paul feels this is something that is needed. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 178-21 passed by the yea votes of B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Hazeltine, and E. Heffinger.

Council Comments:

Mrs. Hazeltine stated she will not be able to attend the ribbon cuttings this week. Please go out and vote.

Mr. Simpson reminded everyone to not rake your leaves into the streets, they find their way to the storm sewers which can cause flooding. Dennie encouraged everyone to please vote and good luck to his colleagues running on council. Be kind to one another.

Paul Rose stated he has spoken to a lot of residents over the last few months, in general they are happy with what is going on in the city, and are very happy with Mayor Hanwell. One issue brought up over and over were the deer in the city and we need to look into having something done.

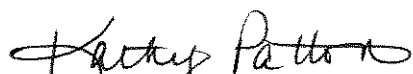
Mr. Lamb also encouraged everyone to get out and vote, one of the wonders of this municipal government that we have here that enables us to work so well together is simply that we are non-partisan.

Mr. Heffinger stated he voted today! Go vote!

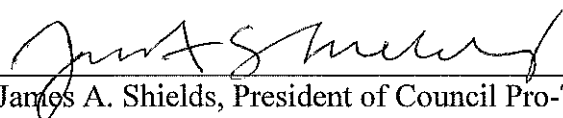
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Mr. Shields stated that Mr. Coyne does such a nice job always and thanked him for filling in for the mayor in his absence. He stated that he doesn't have to be President of Council very often because John rarely misses a meeting and the Mayor rarely takes a vacation and he appreciates both of them. Jim also thanked Mr. Piccoli, stating he has been to the city auction over 20 times and Nino runs it every year spending his Saturday there. If you haven't already voted make sure you vote on Tuesday, November 2nd.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.



Kathy Patton, Clerk of Council



James A. Shields, President of Council Pro-Tem