

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL  
Monday, November 8, 2021

**Call to Order:**

Medina City Council met in regular session on Monday, November 8, 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 P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, and B. Lamb.

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

**Minutes:**

Mr. Shields moved that the minutes from the regular meeting on Monday, October 25, 2021, as prepared and submitted by the Clerk be approved, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and the motion passed by the yeas of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, and P. Rose.

**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. One meeting left for the remainder of the year.

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

Public Properties Committee: Mr. Shields stated the next meeting is Tuesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5 p.m. here at City Hall. They will be discussing the Medina Metropolitan Housing proposal for the Bennet Lumber Property.

Special Legislation Committee: Mr. Lamb stated there is another reading on the agenda tonight for the changes to the Historic Preservation Board with regard to demolition. He announced he will soon schedule a meeting for the deer legislation.

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

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

Emerging Technologies Committee: Mr. Rose stated they reviewed a software package for the Boards and Commissions to be used by the Clerk of Council and some other departments.

**Requests for Council Action:**

Finance Committee

21-210-11/8 – Budget Amendments

21-211-11/8 – Amend Res. No. 46-21 – Grant Application Targets of Opportunity (CDBG-CV)

21-212-11/8 – Discussion – Electric Aggregation Program (Community Energy Advisors)

21-213-11/8 – Second Amendment to EMS Agreement w/ Medina Hospital

21-214-11/8 – 2022 Membership Renewal to Main Street Medina

- 21-215-11/8 – Amend S&B Code 31.05 – Sanitation Dept., Motor Equipment Operators
- 21-216-11/8 – Purchase Fitness Equipment – MCRC – American Rescue Plan Funds (ARP)
- 21-217-11/8 – Purchase ADA Swim Lifts – MCRC – ARP Funds
- 21-218-11/8 – Purchase NuStep Trainers – MCRC – ARP Funds
- 21-219-11/8 – Field Expansion Project – Miracle League – Parks Dept.
- 21-220-11/8 – Expenditure – Mason Custom Builders – Service Dept. – ARP Funds
- 21-221-11/8 – Amend Code 943.09 – Special Lot Endowment Fund
- 21-222-11/8 – 2022 Health Insurance Renewal – Medical Mutual
- 21-223-11/8 – Repay Fund Advances
- 21-224-11/8 – Rollover Outstanding Fund Advances
- 21-225-11/8 – Fund Advance Request

**Reports of Municipal Officers:**

**Dennis Hanwell, Mayor**

- A. Congratulations to Council At-Large Paul Rose and Councilwoman Jess Hazeltine for their re-elections to current seats, as well as Finance Director Keith Dirham. Also, congratulations to Regi Haire on her election to the Ward 3 Council seat.
- B. Sign cleanup – asked candidates to clean up/remove signs please
- C. He stated he is thankful to the community for his election to an unprecedented fourth term as Mayor for our fine city. I have been truly honored and blessed to serve our city for the past 38 years and now for another four years. Thankful for the positive working relationship with Council and for our outstanding staff who work hard day in and day out serving our constituents.
- D. Veteran’s Day- Medina City Hall will be closed on Thursday Nov. 11 for the Veteran’s Day holiday. Thank you to all our Veterans and those military members currently serving.
- E. Candlelight Walk activities - Tree and downtown lighting Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. on Public Square; Saturday, the 20<sup>th</sup> parade starts at 5:30 p.m. from Medina HS to Square to deliver Santa & Mrs. Claus to Square. Fireworks will be presented following the parade, approx. 6:50 p.m.
- F. Congratulations - Nino and Jen Piccoli- November 7<sup>th</sup> was their 29<sup>th</sup> year anniversary.

**Keith Dirham, Finance Director**, congratulated Councilman Rose, Councilwoman Jessica Hazeltine, Mayor Hanwell and soon to be back on Council Regi Haire for their re-elections. Thankful for the voters that came out and voted and kept his position as it is.

**Greg Huber, Law Department**, had no report.

**Chief Kinney, Police Department**, had no report.

**Chief Walters, Fire Department**, had no report.

**Kimberly Marshall, Economic Development Director**, was absent.

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

**Dan Gladish, Building Official**, not present – attending training class.

**Nino Piccoli, Service Director**, stated they have two trucks out for leaf pickups. Shifts are 10 to 12 hours a day, six days a week. Will possibly start the third truck next week.

**Patrick Patton, City Engineer**, The City Hall Parking Deck Detention Basin and Storm Sewer project is completed. The parking lot is now open. Patrick thanked Nino Piccoli and the Street Department for their help.

**Andrew Dutton, Planning Community Development Director**, added if you have not already taken the Comprehensive Plan Survey please go to: [www.medinacompplan2021.wordpress.com](http://www.medinacompplan2021.wordpress.com) we would love to hear your input.

**Notices, communications and petitions:**

**Liquor Permit:**

Mr. Shields moved not to object to the stock transfer of a C1 and C2 permit to Speedway LLC dba Speedway 1168, 900 N. Court Street, Medina, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and motion passed by the yeas votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, and J. Shields.

**Liquor Permit:**

Mr. Shields moved not to object to a new C2 permit to Rivalry Brews LLC, dba Rivalry Brews, 1<sup>st</sup>. Floor, 124 Lafayette Rd. #101, Medina, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and motion passed by the yeas votes of J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

**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 with the exception of Ord. 179-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Ord. 180-21, Ord. 181-21, Ord. 182-21, Ord. 183-21, Ord. 184-21, Ord. 185-21, Ord. 186-21, Ord. 187-21, and Ord. 188-21. The roll was called and the motion passed with the yeas votes of J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

**Ord. 179-21:**

**An Ordinance amending and replacing Chapter 145 of the codified ordinances of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to the Historic Preservation Board.** Mr. Shields moved for the adoption

of Ordinance/Resolution No. 179-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Coyne stated this is the first reading. Mr. Lamb stated this came from Special Legislation Committee and approved unanimously. We cleaned up the language in the existing ordinance making it more specific to what would be required of the board and what the board needed to base its decisions on relative to whether a building should or should not be demolished. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 179-21 passed by the yea votes of E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and J. Hazeltine.

**Ord. 180-21:**

**An Ordinance adopting a Cyber Security Incident Response Policy for the City of Medina.** Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 180-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Rose stated this came out of Emerging Technologies and removes an audit exposure that was presented to us as a result of 2020 audit. It adds responsibilities for the IT Staff and what they need to do should we have a cyber security issue also adding responsibilities to the employees to help reduce the chances of some sort of cyber security incident. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 180-21 passed by the yea votes of E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and J. Hazeltine.

**Ord. 181-21:**

**An Ordinance amending Section 943.11 of the codified ordinances of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to the Schedule of Charges and Fees for Spring Grove Cemetery and repealing Ordinance No. 58-18, passed March 26, 2018.** Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 181-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Wehrley stated that the Cemetery Commission and the cemetery sexton reviewed our charges and fees have not increased since 2012. Increased fees will take effect January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 181-21 passed by the yea votes of B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, and E. Heffinger.

**Ord. 182-21:**

**An Ordinance authorizing the Finance Director to repay the following fund advances.** Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 182-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dirham stated advances are a loan from one fund to another. We have three ordinances dealing with advances tonight on the agenda. These are for advances being repaid, being rolled over and then for new advances. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 182-21 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, and B. Lamb.

**Ord. 183-21:**

**An Ordinance authorizing the expenditure to Main Street Lighting for costs related to repairs and replacement of street luminaries within the Historic District.** Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 183-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 183-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Piccoli stated they secured the State Capital Grant and with that the historical lights. Emergency clause is needed due to it taking a while to manufacture these lights. Total cost is \$113,000.00 reimbursable with 50% from grant, funds are in the street lighting account. 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. 183-21 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, and J. Shields.

**Ord. 184-21:**

**An Ordinance authorizing the purchase of ten (10) MX Performance Plus Matrix Treadmills from Matrix Fitness for the Medina Community Recreation Center.** Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 184-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Jansen states this purchase is using Carryforward funds from the Recreation Center. These will be replacing the original ones that have been at the facility since 2002. This is through a State contract and we are requesting trade-in value at \$4,800 for the eight units. This will be pending the Law Directors final approval of the contract. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 184-21 passed pending Law Directors approval and by the yea votes of J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

**Ord. 185-21:**

**An Ordinance authorizing the purchase of one (1) 2022 Ford F-250 Super Duty Truck from National Auto Fleet Group for the Parks Department.** Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 185-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 185-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Wehrley stated this vehicle will be replacing a 2005 Ford F-350. Emergency clause is requested due to order cut off for model year 2022 chassis is November 12<sup>th</sup>. 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, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 185-21 passed by the yea votes of J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

**Ord. 186-21:**

**An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 217-20, passed December 14, 2020. (Amendments to 2021 Budget)** Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 186-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 186-21 passed by the yea votes of B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, and E. Heffinger.

**Ord. 187-21:**

**And Ordinance authorizing the Finance Director to rollover certain outstanding advances.** Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 187-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 187-21 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, and B. Lamb.

**Ord. 188-21:**

**An Ordinance authorizing the Finance Director to make certain fund advances.** Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 188-21, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 188-21 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, J. Hazeltine, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, and P. Rose.

**Council Comments:**

Mr. Coyne stated they will have their final budget meeting on November 18 at 4:45 p.m., to discuss the allocation of the income tax and also discuss the final 5-year plan and the 2022 plan. John congratulated all that were re-elected to Council, the Mayor and the Finance Director. Regi Haire is our new addition to Council for Ward 3.

Mr. Simpson echoed John on the re-elected and newcomer Regi.

Mrs. Hazeltine congratulated all the winners in our local election. She gave praise to Matt Weiderhold, he does a fantastic job!

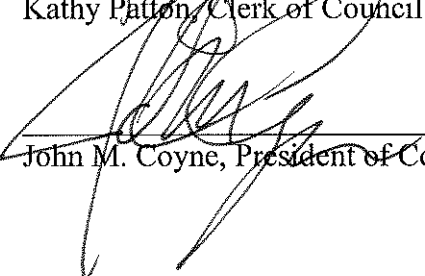
Mr. Lamb echoed the sentiment to the election winners. The health and vitality of our community really depends and relies on public participation. If you ran for one of these seats and you didn't win you still need to be congratulated and given a pat on the back because this isn't about a contest about you personally, it is a fact that you put yourself out there and you want to help the community and we need that public participation.

Mr. Rose extended his congratulations to the election winners. He said he is thankful to the voters that gave him a fourth term here, it is quite an honor and he couldn't have done it without the help of his wife and family and the support of all six of council people here including the Mayor and Finance Director. Unfortunately, less than 20% of the registered voters in the City of Medina went and voted.

Thursday is Veteran's Day and our veterans have put themselves out there sacrificing everyday out on the line. When you see a veteran thank them, buy them a coffee or a meal.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

  
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Kathy Patton, Clerk of Council

  
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John M. Coyne, President of Council