

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL
Monday, February 14, 2022

Call to Order:

Medina City Council met in regular session on Monday, February 14, 2022 at Medina City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Council President John Coyne III. Cub Scout Troop 3507 was present to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

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

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, Kimberly Marshall, Andrew Dutton and Dan Gladish.

Minutes:

Mr. Shields moved that the minutes from the regular meeting on Monday, January 24, 2022, 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 J. Coyne, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Mr. Coyne asked for a moment of silence for Bill Batchelder.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Finance Committee: Mr. Coyne stated the Finance Committee met prior to this evening's Council meeting and will meet again on Monday, February 28, 2022.

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

Public Properties Committee: Mr. Shields had no report.

Special Legislation Committee: Bill Lamb had no report.

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

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

Emerging Technologies Committee: Mr. Rose stated they had a meeting regarding an upgrade to their storage system and DR backup systems and will be moving that forward.

Requests for Council Action:

Finance Committee

- 22-017-2/14 – Expenditure – State Bid – MNJ Tech., Dell Computers, Monitors, Licenses
- 22-018-2/14 – Expenditure Over \$15,000 – Solid Ground Construction, CHIP Home Repair
- 22-019-2/14 – RFQ/RFP's for PY22 CHIP & CDBG Consultant Services
- 22-020-2/14 – Accept Donation from Murry & Susan Van Epp – MCRC Indoor Bicycles
- 22-021-2/14 – RFP's for Liability and Property Insurance Coverage
- 22-022-2/14 – Conflict of Interest Waiver – Lindenwood Lake Dam Improvements Project

22-023-2/14 – Cooperative Purchase – Rubberized Flooring at MCRC – Messina Floor
22-024-2/14 – Expenditure Over \$15,000 – Keiser Corp. – MCRC Indoor Bicycles
22-025-2/14 – Job Creation Grant Agreement – Expert Crane, Inc.
22-026-2/14 – Grant Application – Ohio Dept. of Development – 629 Roadwork
22-027-2/14 – Petition to Join JEDD – South Town Center, LLC
22-028-2/14 – Expenditure Over \$15,000 – Solid Ground Construction, CHIP Home Repair
22-029-2/14 – Bids, Job #1061 – Gates Mills Culvert Replacements
22-030-2/14 – Construction Agreement – Woodside Green Subdivision, Ph. 2
22-031-2/14 – Expenditure – Baker, Dublikar, Beck, Wiley & Mathews – Law Dept.
22-032-2/14 – 2021 – 2025 Financial Audit
22-033-2/14 – Purchase Agreement – 368 Foundry Street
22-034-2/14 – Land Acquisition for the Airport

Reports of Municipal Officers:

Mayoral Proclamation to Michelle Powell – Let's Make a Difference

Dennis Hanwell, Mayor,

- A. Thoughts and Prayers to the family of Bill Batchelder who passed away Saturday, Feb. 12.
He was a respected public servant.
- B. Hydrants/Sidewalks - Respectfully ask residents/businesses to clear snow from the sidewalks for pedestrians/students walking to and from school, library, Rec. Center, etc. Also request same for fire hydrants to permit quick access when hydrant is needed for fire emergency.
- C. City/schools collaboration - cleared ice/snow from sidewalks on E. Union from N. Court to N. Spring Grove as there are 3 schools on street, sidewalks right against curbs, and major cut through from Court Street to Weymouth Rd. for safety of walkers to/from schools and MCRC.
- D. 28th Annual Medina Ice Festival will be held Friday Feb. 18 thru Monday Feb. 21. Great event that brings in visitors from all over to experience our carvings, city, and support our local businesses. Thankful to Elegant Ice Creations for continuing to host this event here. Our thanks to title sponsor Serpentine of Medina as well as the many other sponsors who make this event so successful.
- E. Mayoral Proclamation for Michelle Powell recognizing her 21 years as leader/director of the Let's Make a Difference program in our community!

Keith Dirham, Finance Director, Keith echoed what the mayor stated about Mr. Batchelder and expressed his condolences to his family. Congratulations to Michelle Powell, a number of us here have come to her program and it is very impressive what she has been able to do. Keith reminded all residents that the city does have an income tax with RITA. RITA-Ohio.com

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Greg Huber, Law Department, expressed condolences to the Batchelder family stating it was always a pleasure working with Bill.

Chief Kinney, Police Department, congratulated Michelle Powell on her accomplishments over 21 years with “Let’s make a difference”. Chief Kinney stated she may or may not have an idea of how many kids she has affected and how many kids that she’s kept outside of our Police Department and the good that she has done in our community. You’ve done a great job and have left some big shoes to fill to continue on the legacy you’ve established. Thank you from the Police Department. Condolences to the Batchelder family.

Chief Walters, Fire Department, had no report.

Kimberly Marshall, Economic Development Director, Kimberly stated the 2022 addition of the Medina Magazine has been published and is out for circulation. She offered condolences and sympathies to the Batchelder family.

Jansen Wehrley, Parks and Recreation Director, was not in attendance.

Dan Gladish, Building Official, 2022 construction is off to a fast start. The Building Department continues to see major investments in the City. Not only in residential – also in the commercial and industrial areas.

We currently have 19 Commercial / Industrial projects on the books. They include:

- Two medical projects – Medina Hospital
- Two school projects – Medina County Career Center
- Four industrial projects – Sandridge Foods, Gabiak Trucking, South Progress Industrial, & Trailer One
- Three food service projects – First Watch, Big Dog Daddy’s BBQ
- Six business and mercantile projects – Fierce Tanning, Century Cycle, Bumble Bee Day Care, Hutch Nutrition, Sweets & Geeks, & Wichert insurance.
- Two County building projects – Medina County Court Building and Jail renovation

These projects include new buildings, additions, alterations and tenant space build-outs. Six of these projects are on North Court and one on South Court.

Nino Piccoli, Service Director, offered congratulations to Michelle Powell for all the good she has done for this community. Condolences to the Batchelder family.

Patrick Patton, City Engineer, had no report.

Andrew Dutton, stated they had their monthly Planning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals meeting last week. Approvals were a 97-unit self-storage facility on the west side of Foundry Street as well as an expansion of a daycare center on North Court.

Confirmation of Mayoral appointment

Planning & Zoning Commission – Nathan Case – Exp. 12/31/25

Mr. Shields moved to confirm the Mayor's appointment, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and the appointment was confirmed by the yeas votes R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Notices, communications and petitions:

There were none.

Unfinished Business:

There was none

Introduction of Visitors:

Minister Senesa Peterson, resident of Medina.

Stated concerns she has with the area by Speedway and across from the plaza by Buehler's with traffic and turning lanes there, and all throughout N. Court with the median.

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. 014-22, Ord. 015-22, Ord. 016-22, Ord. 017-22, Ord. 18-22, Res. 019-22, and Res. 020-22. The roll was called and the motion passed with the yeas votes of J. Hazeltine, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and R. Haire.

Ord. 014-22:

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute Preliminary Legislation with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for a Signal Timing Project on US 42. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 014-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Patton stated this request came to them by ODOT and was limited to just study of US 42. We requested and they agreed to expand that study to include all the signals in the Historic district (12 total). ODOT will be hiring a consultant to perform this study and the value of that contract is approximately \$57,000.00 with no city match. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 014-22 passed by the yeas votes of B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire and J. Hazeltine.

Ord. 015-22:

An Ordinance authorizing the expenditure of \$65,000 to Lake County Sewer Co. for the Street Department. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 015-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Piccoli stated this ordinance will allow the Service Department to continue the repairs on our storm sewers. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 015-22 passed by the yeas votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, and B. Lamb.

Ord. 016-22:

An Ordinance authorizing the expenditure of \$60,000 to Signal Service Company for the Street Department. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 016-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Piccoli stated this will handle emergency repairs on the street light poles/traffic signals, and our master cabinets. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 016-22 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, B. Lamb, and P. Rose.

Ord. 017-22:

An Ordinance authorizing the expenditure to Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company for the Sanitation Department. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 017-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Nino stated this will allow them to continue to get supplies from Goodyear, they have been a great provider in the last years and they meet or beat State pricing. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 017-22 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, B. Lamb, P. Rose, and J. Shields.

Ord. 018-22:

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into Task Order #6 to the Agreement with Delta Airport Consultants, Inc. for Professional Services at the Medina Municipal Airport relative to the Airport ALP and APM "Pena and Ink" update. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 018-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Huber stated this allows expansion of parking hangars with the acquisition of some new land. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 018-22 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Res. 019-22:

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept a CARES Act (Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act) Grant from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to be used for any purpose for which airport revenues may be lawfully used at the Medina Municipal Airport. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 019-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Patton stated he would talk about this ordinance and the following since they are both similar. The FAA during the COVID relief period basically granted the city three different airport grants. We didn't apply but were granted and we accepted one of them previously, these resolutions are to accept the other two and allow us to spend them. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 019-22 passed by the yea votes of R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Res. 020-22:

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept an ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) grant from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to be used for various purposes at the Medina Municipal Airport. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 020-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 020-22 passed by the yea votes of J. Hazeltine, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and R. Haire.

Council Comments:

Dennie Simpson – congratulations to John Coyne on his State award for Pole Vaulting. He thanked Michelle for her dedication over the years and sent condolences to the Batchelder family. We've also lost other community leaders recently: Jim Gowe from 620 Construction, and from the school system, Jim Wells who was a high school teacher and coach. They will be deeply missed and we are proud of the accomplishments they made in our community. Be kind to one another.

Ms. Haire congratulated Michelle Powell stating she got to see her in action and she truly did make a difference and truly cared about the youth in our community and did a great job. Regi stated she has received quite a few emails and phone calls over the last month in regards to the weather and different situations. I want to thank the residents for contacting me and if they have any other concerns or questions, to please continue to contact her and she will get back to you as soon as possible. Ms. Haire reminded residents to clear around the fire hydrants in your neighborhood so the Fire Department has easy accessibility if needed.

Ms. Hazeltine offered condolences to the Batchelder family as well as the other community leaders that we have unfortunately loss in the past few weeks. She thanked the Van Epps Family for their continued generosity to the City of Medina, most recently with the donation of the equipment to the Rec Center. She thanked the Service Department for collaborating with the schools and taking care of the sidewalk sections at East Union.

Jessica stated Michelle Powell has definitely made a difference in the community and it hasn't gone unnoticed.

Jessica stated she genuinely cares about the resident's feedback and she has been newly appointed to the Special Legislation Committee and they will be discussing feeding the wild animals ordinance and asks that you please email her with your thoughts and concerns and you are also welcome to text or call her, just please do not send her an automated message as she prefers personal communication.

Jessica mentioned she is in the Dancing with the Stars for Faith in Action this year, please consider supporting Faith in Action it is a great program here in Medina that provides transportation for the elderly.

Mr. Lamb expressed what great work Michelle has done over the last 21 years, the work of someone building the future. Mr. Lamb expressed Condolences to the Batchelder family and gave gratitude to the Cub Scouts in attendance.

Mr. Rose expressed gratitude to Michelle Powell and condolences to the Batchelder Family. He stated he appreciated the Cub Scouts in attendance today.

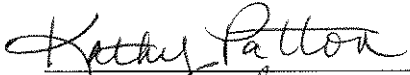
Mr. Shields expressed his condolences to the Batchelder family. Jim Wells was a teacher, a coach and an amazing athlete, a wonderful guy that had such an impact on our students and community in different ways. Mr. Shields also spoke about Jim Gowe and how much respect he had for him and everything he has done for this community to make Medina a better place. Jim also mentioned PM Jones, another great community leader. We would not have had a Hospice here in Medina if

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it weren't for him. He came from a long line of Joneses that were involved in Old Phoenix Bank. These four great people that made life better for all of us that call Medina a home.

Jim spoke highly of Miss Michelle and stated her and Carol are a force of nature when they are together making it hard to say no to them!

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.



Kathy Patton, Clerk of Council



John M. Coyne, President of Council

