

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL  
Tuesday, April 9, 2024

**Call to Order:**

Medina City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at Medina City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President of Council John M. Coyne III, who also led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call:**

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

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

**Minutes:**

Mr. Simpson moved that the minutes from the regular meeting on Monday, March 25, 2024 as prepared and submitted by the Clerk be approved, seconded by Mr. Rose. The roll was called and approved by the yea votes of R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and N. DiSalvo.

**Reports of Standing Committees:**

**Finance Committee:** Mr. Coyne stated they will meet again in two weeks.

**Public Properties Committee:** Mr. Shields had no report.

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

**Special Legislation Committee:** Mr. Rose had no report.

**Streets & Sidewalks Committee:** Ms. Haire had no report.

**Water & Utilities Committee:** Ms. Hazeltine was absent.

**Emerging Technologies Committee:** Ms. DiSalvo had no report.

**Requests for Council Action:**

Finance Committee

24-082-4/9 – Budget Amendments

24-083-4/9 – OneOhio Funding to Medina County ADAMH Board

24-084-4/9 – Rescind Ord. 117-23 - City/Uptown Thirteen Five LLC – MOU

24-085-4/9 – Resolution to Approve/Disapprove County 9-1-1 Plan

24-086-4/9 – Expenditure to Chippewa Roofing – Fire Station #1 Roof

24-087-4/9 – Purchase 2024 Freightliner 114SD Plus Roll-Off Truck – Sanitation

24-088-4/9 – Consultant Selection – Medina Municipal Airport

24-089-4/9 – Amend S&B Code – Probation Department

**Reports of Municipal Officers:**

**Dennis Hanwell, Mayor:**

- A. Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency NOACA will be mailing out travel surveys to randomly selected participants in a five-county region, including Medina County. Those selected are encouraged to participate.
- B. Weekend activities for the solar eclipse went very well, good crowds on the square, and rec center. Special thanks to Barbara Dzur for planning and arranging the many programs offered with the collaboration from the Medina area Chamber of Commerce, the Medina Co. Visitor's Bureau and many local businesses for their support and advertising. Major sponsors included Armstrong, Huntington Bank, Medina Co. Convention and Visitor's Bureau, Root Candles and Sweets and Geeks.
- C. Children's Center of Medina County Annual Pinwheel Walk on the Square to recognize child abuse cases April 14<sup>th</sup> from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Each pinwheel represents a child abuse case that was opened in the past year.
- D. MSM is hosting Cars and Coffee on the square – April 21<sup>st</sup>, 8 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Mayor Hanwell and John Coyne presented a City of Medina Proclamation for the 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Professional Municipal Clerks week in recognition of Kathy Patton, Clerk of Council and Teresa Knox, Deputy Clerk.

**Keith Dirham, Finance Director**, reminded the residents of Medina City that the city does have an income tax and they are required to file with RITA, deadline is April 15<sup>th</sup>. Keith spoke on OPERS stating the Board is taking steps to ask the legislator to increase the contributing employee or contribution from the current 14% up to 18%. Keith is optimistic that it will be a gradual increase. Keith stated that the pension system is underwater and that is why they are asking for additional money.

**Kimberly Marshall, Economic Development Director**, had no report.

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

**Chief Kinney, Police Department**, reported no issues during the eclipse events.

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

**Jansen Wehrley, Parks and Recreation Director**, echoed the Mayor's comments about the solar eclipse and the assistance that Barbara Dzur provided. Special thanks to Larry Johns who brought the entire space exhibit to the rec center for several days leading up to the eclipse and also presented a number of talks to the public.

**Dan Gladish, Building Official**, had no report.

**Nino Piccoli, Service Director**, had no report.

**Patrick Patton, City Engineer**, reported that tomorrow their first concrete pour of the second phase of West Smith is scheduled to take place. Still looking at a July completion date.

**Cindy Lastuka, Municipal Court**, had no report.

**Andrew Dutton, Planning and Community Development Director**, had no report.

**Notices, communications and petitions:**

There were none.

**Unfinished Business:**

There was none.

**Introduction of Visitors:**

Stacey Maleckar, Superintendent – Medina County Board of Development Disabilities.

**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. 69-24, Res. 70-24, Ord. 71-24, Ord. 72-24, Ord. 73-24, Ord. 74-24, Ord. 75-24, Res. 76-24, Ord. 77-24, Ord. 78-24, Ord. 79-24, Res. 80-24, Ord. 81-24, Ord. 82-24. The roll was called and the motion passed by the yea votes of J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, and R. Haire.

**Ord. 69-24**

**An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 178-23, passed November 13, 2023, relative to the payment to Green Home Solutions LLC for the private home rehabilitation at 137 Oakleigh Drive as part of the PY22 CHIP Grant Program.** Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 069-24, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Simpson moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 069-24, seconded by Mr. Rose. Emergency is so the contractor can complete the project. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of P. Rose, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, and J. Hazeltine. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 069-24 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, and P. Rose.

**Res. 70-24**

**A Resolution of the City of Medina, in Medina County, State of Ohio, supporting the Ohio Commission for the United States Semiquincentennial (America250-OH).** Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 070-24, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mayor Hanwell stated this is in preparation for any of the cities that want to be involved in putting together a committee in helping prepare for the celebration of America's 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary or semiquincentennial which is in 2026. If this resolution is passed, we would then need to put together a committee. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 070-24 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, and D. Simpson.

**Ord. 71-24**

**An Ordinance authorizing the increase of the expenditure to Signal Service Company for the Street Department.** Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 071-24, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Simpson moved that the emergency clause be added to

Ordinance/Resolution No. 071-24, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Piccoli stated they opened this P.O. for \$2,000 and are asking to increase for a total of \$62,000. They use Signal Service regularly for traffic cabinet control systems, lights and light sequences, issues near schools and railroad crossings where they need immediate attention. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 071-24 passed by the yea votes of R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and N. DiSalvo.

**Ord. 72-24**

**An Ordinance authorizing the purchase of one (1) 2024 Ford F-350 Pickup Truck from Montrose Ford for the Forestry Department.** Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 072-24, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Wehrley stated this purchase would replace a 2008 Ford F250 pickup truck that was identified for replacement through the 2020 budgeting process, but the purchase was delayed due to lack of availability. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 072-24 passed by the yea votes of J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, and R. Haire.

**Ord. 73-24**

**An Ordinance repealing and replacing Ordinance No. 84-23, passed April 24, 2023, pertaining to the Memorial Park Swimming Pool rates.** Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 073-24, seconded by Mr. Rose. Jansen stated this ordinance will eliminate camp and group rate discounts for the outdoor pool. It also adds discounts for active military and adds a rate for nannies to be added to family passes. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 073-24 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, and J. Hazeltine.

**Ord. 74-24**

**An Ordinance repealing and replacing Ordinance No. 113-22, passed May 23, 2022, pertaining to the annual membership rates for the Medina Community Recreation Center.** Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 074-24, seconded by Mr. Rose. Jansen stated there was two parts to this ordinance, the first is an increase for summer 3-month memberships the second part eliminates group discounts, requiring them to rent a room. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 074-24 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, and P. Rose.

**Ord. 75-24**

**An Ordinance repealing and replacing Ordinance No. 9-22, passed January 10, 2022, pertaining to the rental rates for the Medina Community Recreation Center.** Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 075-24, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Wehrley stated this will eliminate two different price points for rentals, establishing a party package of choice at one price. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 075-24 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, and D. Simpson.

**Res. 76-24**

**A Resolution establishing an ad hoc committee to be known as the Medina Municipal**

**Courthouse Construction Manager at Risk Selection Committee.** Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 076-24, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Patton recommends moving forward with the Courthouse Construction Manager at Risk. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 076-24 passed by the yea votes of N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

**Ord. 77-24**

**An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contractual agreement with American Structure Point for engineering design services for the US 42 Resurfacing Project.** Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 077-24, seconded by Mr. Rose. Patrick stated they received a grant last year for a little more than \$900,000.00 from NOACA for the resurfacing of Route 42 between just north of Homestead down to Lafayette Rd. The grant is for construction only and the City of Medina would be responsible for 100% of the design cost. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 077-24 passed by the yea votes of R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and N. DiSalvo.

**Ord. 78-24**

**An Ordinance authorizing the sale of one (1) 2013 Forest River Utility Trailer to the Medina County Emergency Management Agency for the amount of \$5,000.00.** Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 078-24, seconded by Mr. Rose. Chief Walters stated this trailer was purchased about 12-years ago by the Fire Department. The trailer was not being utilized nearly enough with only responding to two calls. They want to sell it to the county. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 078-24 passed by the yea votes of J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, and R. Haire.

**Ord. 79-24**

**An Ordinance authorizing the Law Director prepare the necessary documentation for the transfer of City owned permanent parcel nos. 028-19A-21-265, 028-19A-21-266, and 028-19A-21-267, part of City lots #20, #22 and #23, to the Medina City Development Corporation (CIC).** Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 079-24, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mayor Hanwell stated these 3 parcels are the parking lot across from today's Napa Auto parts on South Elmwood. Requesting to transfer these lots to the CIC. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 079-24 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, and J. Hazeltine.

**Res. 80-24**

**A Resolution amending Resolution No. 124-18, passed September 10, 2018, relative to SBR71, and authorizing submittal of a Bicycle Route Realignment Request to the Ohio Department of Transportation.** Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 080-24, seconded by Mr. Rose. Jansen stated State Bike Route 71 was developed in 2018 with ODOT and at that time it was routed through the City of Medina utilizing North Jefferson street and this was prior to the multi-purpose trail on North Court being constructed. He would like to submit a realignment request before the signs go up to be able to use the multi-purpose trail. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 080-24 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, and P. Rose.



**Ord. 81-24**

**An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 190-23, passed November 28, 2023. (Amendments to 2024 Budget)** Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 081-24, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Dirham stated these are two amendments in the probation dept. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 081-24 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, and D. Simpson.

**Ord. 82-24**

**An Ordinance amending Section 31.05 and Section 31.02(B)(5) and (B)(6) of the Salaries and Benefits Code of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to the Medina Municipal Court Probation Department.** Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 082-24, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Simpson moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 082-24, seconded by Mr. Rose. Ms. Lastuka stated this to help clean up the probation department making sure full-time staff has spots in the Salary and Benefits Code as well as the grants. The emergency clause is requested due to hiring a new probation officer who started on March 25<sup>th</sup>. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and N. DiSalvo. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 082-24 passed by the yea votes of N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

**Council comments**

Ms. Haire shouted out to Nino and his Service Department. There have been several mishaps with deer recently, and they always promptly respond.

Mr. Simpson echoed the Mayor's comments on the solar eclipse events.

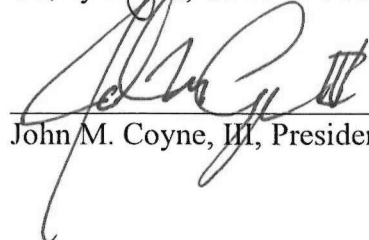
Mr. Rose also echoed the solar eclipse events.

Ms. DiSalvo wished her mother a Happy 86<sup>th</sup> Birthday!

**Adjournment**

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

  
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Kathy Patton, Clerk of Council

  
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John M. Coyne, III, President of Council