

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL
Monday, September 25, 2023

Call to Order:

Medina City Council met in regular session on Monday, September 25, 2023 at Medina City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mr. Coyne, Council President, who also led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

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

Also present were the following members of the Administration: Mayor Dennis Hanwell, Greg Huber, Keith Dirham, Nino Piccoli, Patrick Patton, Lt. Brian Wagner, Chief Walters, Dan Gladish, Jansen Wehrley, Sgt. Zaremba, Cindy Lastuka, and Andrew Dutton.

Minutes:

Mr. Shields moved that the minutes from the regular meeting on Monday, September 11, 2023, as prepared and submitted by the Clerk be approved, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, and B. Lamb.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Finance Committee: Mr. Coyne stated the Finance Committee met prior to Council and will meet again in 2 weeks.

Public Properties Committee: Mr. Shields had no report.

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

Special Legislation Committee: Mr. Lamb had no report.

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

Water & Utilities Committee: Ms. Hazeltine was absent.

Emerging Technologies Committee: Mr. Rose had no report.

Requests for Council Action:

Finance Committee

23-174-9/25 – Budget Amendments

23-175-9/25 – Increase Exp. – Fire Safety Services (P.O. 23-569)

23-176-9/25 – RFP's Drug Screen and Related Professional Services

23-177-9/25 – Amend S&B Code – Reclassify Part-time to Full-Time Account Clerk

23-178-9/25 – Amend Zoning Code, Chapter 1105 – Various Sections

23-179-9/25 – Accept Utility Rate Review Recommendation – Water Rate Increase

23-180-9/25 – Agreement, Wheeling & Lake Erie Railway – Repealing Ord. 98-22

23-181-9/25 – Expenditure – HSH Construction – Engineering Dept.

23-182-9/25 – Discussion – Medina Municipal Courthouse Architect Selection

23-183-9/25 – Increase Exp. – Concrete Contracting Solutions – Parks Dept.

23-184-9/25 – Increase Exp. – Medina Supply (P.O. 23-425)

23-185-9/25 – Amend Ord. 80-23 – GAAP Conversion Contract w/ Rea & Assoc.

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23-186-9/25 – Then & Now – Rea & Assoc.

23-187-9/25 – Expenditure – Candlelight Walk Holiday Lights on Public Square

Reports of Municipal Officers:

Dennis Hanwell, Mayor,

- A. Medina Farmer’s Market takes place on the public square, the last one is Saturday, October 7th. Hours are 9 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Thanks to Main Street Medina for organizing this ongoing event.
- B. 3rd Annual “We are Strong Together” Medina Unity Gathering 7 p.m. on September 26th, 27th & 28th at Cornerstone Chapel, 3939 Granger Rd., Medina. Hope to see you there.
- C. Friday, September 22nd ribbon cuttings for: The Giving Place at 1095 N. Court; Black Cat Books at 420 S. Court and Do it Again at 201 W. Liberty. Welcome to all three businesses and thank you for choosing Medina.
- D. On Saturday September 23rd at 1 p.m. he attended and spoke at the Gold Star Mother’s Memorial in York Township, recognizing the loss of our military members and the impact on families. Then at 4 p.m. he presented a proclamation to Medina County Veterans who served in the Vietnam War at the Veterans Hall on N. Broadway. Thankful for their service and sacrifice. 2023 is the 35th Anniversary of Medina County Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 385. Medina County lost 33 Veterans in the Vietnam War that are recognized with the Memorial on Northland Drive, next to the Medina County Veteran’s Office. Thank you to all who served.
- E. Congratulations to Pastor Michael Wilson on his installment as Pastor of Fellowship Baptist Church on Sunday, September 24th, 2023. Honored to work alongside him.

Keith Dirham, Finance Director, Mr. Dirham explained Issue 2 on the ballot this November, noting that a yes vote will be to adopt the ordinance that Council passed which is to adopt the culling program per Council’s outlines, and a no vote would be to reject that ordinance.

Kimberly Marshall, Economic Development Director, was not in attendance.

Greg Huber, Law Department, had no report.

Mr. Toth, LST Director, through August they responded to 2,319 calls in Medina City and for all three entities, they responded to 3,544 calls.

Chief Kinney, Police Department, had no report.

Chief Walters, Fire Department, Chief Walters reminded everyone that their annual Open House on Saturday, October 14th from 11-2 p.m.

Sgt. Zaremba, IT Department, had no report.

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

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Cindy Lastuka, Municipal Court, had no report.

Dan Gladish, Building Official, had no report.

Nino Piccoli, Service Director, had no report.

Patrick Patton, City Engineer, had no report.

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

Notices, communications and petitions:

Liquor Permit:

Not to object to the transfer of a C1 and C2 permit from Free Enterprises Inc., dba Westside Shell, 740 W. Liberty St. to True North Energy, LLC, dba True North #381, 740 W. Liberty St., Medina. Mr. Shields moved not to object, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, B. Lamb, and P. Rose.

Unfinished Business:

There was none.

Introduction of Visitors:

There were none.

Introduction and consideration of ordinances and resolutions.

Motion to suspend the Rules requiring three readings on the following ordinances and resolutions: Ord. 149-23, Ord. 150-23, Ord. 151-23, Res. 152-23, Ord. 153-23, 154-23, Ord. 155-23, Ord. 156-23. Mr. Shields moved to suspend the rules requiring three readings, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, and J. Shields.

Ord. 149-23

An Ordinance amending Section 917.01, 917.03 and 917.05 of the codified ordinances of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to Water Service. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 149-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dirham stated this is to increase the deposit, it has not been raised in many years and is no longer sufficient to cover outstanding bills. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 149-23 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Ord. 150-23

An Ordinance authorizing the expenditure to Central Square Technologies for the subscription and annual maintenance agreement for the Computer Aided Dispatch & Report Management System for the Police Department. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 150-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 150-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Chief Kinney stated this is to authorize payment to Central Square for contract and maintenance support.

Emergency clause is due because of time restraints with contract. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. -23 passed by the yea votes of B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and R. Haire.

Ord. 151-23

An Ordinance amending Section 31.02 (B)(5) of the Salaries and Benefits Code of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to the Medina Municipal Court, Judicial Aid. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 151-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Cindy stated they need approval of a part-time judicial aid to assist in clearing up some older files to get scanned into system. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 151-23 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, and B. Lamb.

Res. 152-23

A Resolution authorizing the filing of a grant application through the Ohio Department of Transportation's Municipal Bridge Program, for design services for the Prospect Street Bridge Replacement Project. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 152-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Patton stated this is for an application through ODOT Municipal Bridge Program. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 152-23 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, B. Lamb, and P. Rose.

Ord. 153-23

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 116-23, passed July 10, 2023, relative to the expenditure to Technology Engineering Group LLC for the Courthouse Parking Garage Camera Project. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 153-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 153-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Darin stated this is a continuation of the Courthouse Parking Garage camera project. This is to add an additional 2 cameras. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, and J. Shields. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 153-23 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Ord. 154-23

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 221-22, passed December 12, 2022. (Amendments to 2023 Budget) Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 154-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Keith Dirham stated these need to be appropriated in order to spend. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 154-23 passed by the yea votes of R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Ord. 155-23

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. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 155-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved

that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 155-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Work has been completed and that is why they need the emergency clause. 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. Coyne, and R. Haire. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 155-23 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, and B. Lamb.

To be added to the Agenda:

Mr. shields moved to add Ordinance No. 156-23 to the agenda, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was call and the motion passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, B. Lamb, and P. Rose.

Ord. 156-23

An Ordinance authorizing donation of \$40,522.67 to Main Street Medina for the purchase and installation of holiday lights on Medina Public Square. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 156-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 156-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Coyne stated this ordinance will make a donation of \$32,522.67 that came as a bequest from a former Medina resident of \$75,000.00, and we have \$32,000.00 left. It's been 9 years since anything new has been purchased and updates are needed. \$8,000.00 will be added from the General Administration fund from the City of Medina to the project which will bring it to \$40, 522.67. Emergency is requested because Christmas is just around the corner. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, and J. Shields. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 156-23 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Council Comments:

Mr. Simpson congratulated Pastor Wilson. Dennie spoke of the two candidates for the open seat for council at large in the audience and appreciates them being here in person. Please keep in mind that his is a non-partition office.

Mr. Rose is looking forward to hearing Pastor Wilson. Paul spoke of Medina Hardware closing down. Please do your research when coming to vote in November.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.



Kathy Patton, Clerk of Council



John Coyne, President of Council

