

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL
Monday, January 22, 2024

Call to Order:

Medina City Council met in regular session on Monday, January 22, 2024 at Medina City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by Mr. John Coyne III, President of Council who also led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

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

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

Minutes:

Mr. Shields moved that the minutes from the organizational meeting on Monday, January 3, 2024 and the regular meeting on January 8, 2024 as prepared and submitted by the Clerk be approved, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and approved by the yea votes of N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Finance Committee: Mr. Coyne stated they met before council and will meet again on February 12, 2024.

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 had no report.

Emerging Technologies Committee: Ms. DiSalvo had no report.

Requests for Council Action:

Finance Committee

24-012-1/22 – Amend S&B Code 31.02(B)(7) & 31.05 – Police Dept.

24-013-1/22 – Expenditure Over \$35,000 – Lake County Sewer – Street Dept.

24-014-1/22 – Expenditure Over \$35,000 – Goodyear Tire & Rubber – Street Dept.

24-015-1/22 – Advance Request – OHTF State Grant

24-016-1/22 – Budget Amendments

24-017-1/22 – Expenditure - PY22 CHIP Rehab – 1244 Hadcock Rd.

24-018-1/22 – Expenditure – PY22 CHIP Rehab – 850 North Huntington St.

24-019-1/22 – RFQ's/RFP's – PY24 CHIP/CDBG Consultant Services

24-020-1/22 – RFQ's/RFP's – PY24 CHIP/CDBG Fair Housing Services

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24-021-1/22 – 2024 Material Bids – Service Dept.
24-022-1/22 – Adopt 2023 NFPA-National Electric Code – Building Dept.
24-023-1/22 – Grant Application – ODOD Brownfield Remediation Program

Reports of Municipal Officers:

Barbara Dzur – 2024 Solar Eclipse Presentation
Ms. Dzur gave a presentation on events that are being planned for the April 8, 2024 solar eclipse. Please visit our website at www.medinaoh.org for more information.

Dennis Hanwell, Mayor,

- A. Welcome Councilwoman Natalie DiSalvo.
- B. Martin Luther King Jr. celebration was at 7 p.m. on Monday, January 15th at United Church of Christ, congregational. Featured speaker was Pastor Jason Hunter of Truth in Love Church, in Brunswick. Thanks to Council Members John Coyne, Paul Rose, Dennie Simpson and Jim Shields, Finance Director Keith Dirham, and Police Chief Ed for attending and representing the City of Medina.
- C. Sunday, January 21st at 2 p.m. he attended the Dedication of 51st Habitat home in Medina County since 1991, located in 400th block of West Friendship Street. Special thanks to Heartland Church for helping with 2nd home with labor and donating \$60,000.
- D. 30th annual Medina Ice Festival by Elegant Ice will be held February 16-19th, 2024.
- E. Solar Eclipse will be in our geographical area on April 8th, 2024. Barbara Dzur has information and a brief video to share on this topic.

Keith Dirham, Finance Director, Keith stated a reminder that all residents are required to file an income tax with RITA and forms are available at www.rita-ohio.com

Kimberly Marshall, Economic Development Director, stated the next City of Medina Economic Development Committee meeting - including breakfast, will meet on Tuesday, February 6, 2024 at 8 a.m., at the Medina Municipal Airport.

Greg Huber, Law Department, had no report.

Chief Kinney, Police Department, Chief gave an update on the city archery program stating that the ordinance went into effect on November 28th, 2023. Since then we have had 9 applications to hunt within the city. One permit was issued and 8 were denied. The hunting season started on Sept 30th, 2023 and runs to February 4th, 2024. We got a late start this year, the end of November and beginning of December is sort of passed the prime time for bow hunting anywhere in the state of Ohio. They anticipate next year there will likely be far more interest and a lot more hunters signing up and completing the application process.

Chief Walters, Fire Department, had no report.

Jansen Wehrley, Parks and Recreation Director, Jansen Wehrley stated Ohio Edison Company will be performing vegetation maintenance on trees on the right-of-way all throughout town.

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Asplundh Tree Service is the contractor to perform the work. All notifications will be done by a company called Arbor Metrix. This may take 6 to 8 months.

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:

There were none.

Review of Pending Matters:

20-057-3/9 – Health, Safety & Sanitation Committee – Underground Waste Containers

19-110-6/10 – Special Legislation Committee – New Stormwater Mgmt. Erosion Control Regulations

22-059-3/14 – Special Legislation Committee – Preserving Historic District

Mr. Shields moved to remove the above listed inactive pending matters, seconded by Mr. Simpson.

Mr. Rose requested adding:

19-173-10/15 – Clarification of Drug Free Work Place Policy

21-264-12/13 – Codified Ordinance of Chapter 513 – gifting of marijuana and possession of marijuana.

Mr. Shields moved to amend his motion by adding the two Mr. Rose mentioned, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and approved by the yea votes of R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and N. DiSalvo.

Unfinished Business:

Ord. 200-23 (Third Reading)

An Ordinance amending the Special Planning District No. 1 SPD-1 Development Guidelines pertaining to South Court Village. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 200-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 200-23 passed by the yea votes of J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, and R. Haire.

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, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Ord. 14-24, Ord. 15-24, Ord. 16-24, Ord. 17-24, Ord. 18-24, Ord. 19-24, Ord. 20-24, Res. 21-24. The roll was called and the motion was approved by the

yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, and J. Hazeltine.

Ord. 14-24

An Ordinance authorizing an expenditure to Akron Uniform for the Police Department. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 014-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Chief Kinney stated this is a blanket P.O. for all of their uniform needs and bullet proof vests. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 014-24 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, and P. Rose

Ord. 15-24

An Ordinance adopting a Multi-Use Path Plan for the City of Medina, Ohio. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 015-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 015-24 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, and J. Shields.

Ord. 16-24

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Architect Design Services Agreement with Brandstetter Carroll, Inc. for the Medina Municipal Court Renovation. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 016-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mayor Hanwell requested council pass this so it can go out to bid and get the project started. Mr. Patton stated council created this committee back in October to complete this process. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 016-24 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Ord. 17-24

An Ordinance amending Section 111.12 and Section 111.16 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to the Rules of Council. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 017-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. John stated they made certain modifications to the rules of council as related to the clerk and procedure of doing budgets. Took out a few items with respect to the clerk and the work and the committees. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 017-24 passed by the yea votes of N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Ord. 18-24

An Ordinance approving the three-year Capital Improvement Plan for the Medina Community Recreation Center and authorizing the expenditure of the current cash balance of the fund to the Medina City Schools, in accordance with the Joint Operating Agreement. Mr. Rose moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 018-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Jansen Wehrley stated this for a purchase order for the Medina City Schools for the current cash balance of the Capital Improvement Fund. Mr. Shields will abstain from voting. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 018-24 passed by the yea votes of R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and N. DiSalvo.

Ord. 19-24

An Ordinance authorizing the Finance Director to make certain fund advances. Mr. Shields

moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 019-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Keith Dirham stated these are advances to cover our grant, using the 127 Fund. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 019-24 passed by the yea votes of J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, and R. Haire.

Ord. 20-24

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 190-23, passed November 28, 2023. (Amendments to 2024 Budget) Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 020-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 020-24 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, and J. Hazeltine.

To Be Added to the Agenda:

Mr. Shields moved to add Resolution No. 21-24 to tonight's agenda, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, and P. Rose

Res. 21-24

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to apply for an Ohio Department of Development (ODOD) Brownfield Remediation Program-Assessment Grant to cover the cost of environmental assessments for the site located at 426 W. Liberty Street. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 021-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 021-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Kimberly Marshall stated this is a grant opportunity for environmental assessments. The project cost is about \$400,000.00 and the city's matching dollars of that portion would be \$100,000.00. We talked about using the JEDD fund for the city match. The Port Authority has been designated by the County Commissioners as the lead entity for the State Grants. This was made on a first come first serve basis and so we are in competition with pretty much everybody across the State of Ohio for this grant, and that is why the emergency clause is needed. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, and J. Shields. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 021-24 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Council comments

Mr. Rose thanked Nino and the Service Dept. for keeping the city moving after all the snow we got.

Mr. Coyne welcomed Natalie DiSalvo to her first council meeting!

Jessica Hazeltine stated they have some new Habitat for Humanity Home Owners in Ward 1. Welcome and congratulations and she loves that this community supports these efforts and that we all work together to make these amazing things happen.

Jess stated that on Saturday night, Out Support, our local LGBTQIA+ group, celebrated 10 Years in existence here in Medina!

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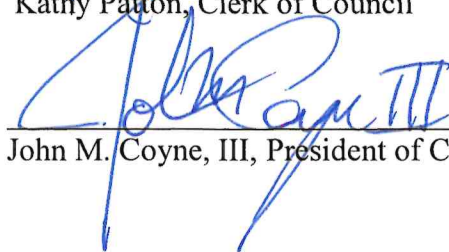
If you are a resident of Ward 1 that lives on North Huntington between West Union and West North, you will have received a survey on sidewalk adjustment so that it doesn't abut the roadway anymore and will have a tree lawn. We need your opinions so please do the survey.

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.



Kathy Patton, Clerk of Council



John M. Coyne, III, President of Council