MEDINA CITY COUNCIL Wednesday, June 10, 2024

Call to Order:

Medina City Council met in regular session on Monday, June 10, 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: 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, Greg Huber, Keith Dirham, Nino Piccoli, Patrick Patton, Chief Kinney, Dan Gladish, Kimberly Marshall, and Jansen Wehrley.

Minutes:

Mr. Shields moved that the minutes from the regular meeting on Tuesday, May 28, 2024, as prepared and submitted by the Clerk be approved, seconded by D. Simpson. The roll was called and minutes were approved by 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 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 had no report.

<u>Emerging Technologies Committee</u>: Ms. DiSalvo stated there is a ET Advisory Committee meeting set for June 20, 2024 at 5 p.m.

Requests for Council Action:

Finance Committee

24-121-6/10 – Budget Amendments

24-123-6/10 – Amend Code, Section 115.01 Annual & 5 Yr. Budget Timeline

24-124-6/10 - Authorize MOU / Expenditure / Grant Funding SRO K9 Program - Police

24-125-6/10 – Amend P.O. 24-946 – Police Specials uniform purchases

24-126-6/10 - Increase Expenditure - P.O. 24-739 - Rocco Masonry - Service Dept.

24-127-6/10 – Increase Expenditure – P.O. 24-1068 – Rogue Fitness – Workout Room

24-128-6/10 – 2025 Tax Budget

24-129-6/10 - Purchase 2024 Ford Transit Van - MCRC

24-130-6/10 - Amend Ord. 59-23 - W. Smith Rd. Reconstruction Ph. 4

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24-131-6/10 – Bids, Job #1171 – Progress Dr. Water Tower Repaint/Repair

24-132-6/10 – Expenditure Not to Exceed \$50,000 – Medina County – Courthouse Lease

24-133-6/10 – Amend S&B Code – Add Law Department Intern

24-134-6/10 – Amend S&B Code – Step Authorization Adjustments – Law Dept.

Reports of Municipal Officers:

Dennis Hanwell, Mayor:

- A. The Medina Community Band Concerts began this past Friday, June 7th at 8:30 p.m. The concerts will continue each Friday evening in June and July with the exception of the July 5th concert will be on July fourth and all concerts are weather permitting.
- B. The third annual Juneteenth celebration will take place this Saturday, June 15th from 10 a.m.- 3 p.m. Thankful for the sponsors and donators to permit the event to be held free of charge on our public square. There will be a variety of cultural music.

Keith Dirham, Finance Director, Keith stated there is an item on the agenda and he will talk about it when they get there.

Kimberly Marshall, Economic Development Director, Kimberly stated the next round of ribbon cuttings events are scheduled for Friday, June 14th. The first one is at 10 a.m. – Romancing the Walls located at 443 W. Liberty, 11 a.m. – 25th anniversary for the Gardner's Cottage located at 226 S. Court St., ground breaking for Acme Grocery Store 12:30 a.m. located at 1225 S. Court St., and last event of the day at 2 p.m. Reform and Restore Pilates located at 799 N. Court St. Suite #8.

There were a lot of questions about the 426 W. Liberty site which is the former Sunoco property. We have not heard back whether their grant has been approved, if not then they will apply again if the state still offers that program.

They have all their responses back from the companies that they have their job creation grants and have received responses back from RITA and will be starting our Job Creation Grant monitoring meetings with those companies and then bring report back to council.

Greg Huber, Law Department, had no report.

Chief Kinney, Police Department had no report.

Chief Walters, Fire Department, was absent.

Jansen Wehrley, Parks and Recreation Director, stated the Memorial Pool is open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. 7 days a week. Splashpads are on at Greenwood Park 11 a.m. -8 p.m., and Ray Mellert Park from 12 p.m. -8 p.m. The parks have been pretty busy lately with the MIST tournament and the Sting Shootout, and a softball tournament coming up. Party in the Park series started last week, it is put on by the Rec Center and sponsored by the Cleveland Clinic Medina Hospital and this Thursday they will be a pool party at Memorial Park from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. with a DJ.

Tuesday, June 18th is the Touch a Truck at the Medina Rec 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Project at Spring Grove Cemetery removing the roof on the Mausoleum started today. Friends of

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the Cemetery is assisting and funding with this project.

Dan Gladish, Building Official, presented an update for the first six months of the year;

The Building Department is extremely busy with no sign of a slowdown. There are currently six large commercial projects under construction at this time, they include three new buildings: Meijer Grocery Store – Acme Fresh Market – Medina County Career Centers – which consists of two new construction trades classrooms and shops. The existing recently remodel construction trades classroom and shop will be converted for the electrical trades. There are three new large building additions which include: Drug Mart Distribution – Owens Corning Warehouse – Tru-Fit Manufacturing on Lake Road which includes new production and warehouse space. These six-projects equal 590,000 sq. ft. of new floor space with construction/investment cost of \$48 million dollars.

We also have three additional large commercial projects under going plan review at this time. We continue to see investment and growth along North Court the projects include: two new restaurants, Aladdin's Grille and Wing Stop. Also, on North Court, the unoccupied Loan Max Building recently sold to a local business owner with plans for a remodel and expansion of his business. This is the building adjacent to, and was owned by the Speedway Gas Station. They at one time planned an expansion of the gas station.

Residential construction throughout the city includes: two new homes and approximately 260 active residential permits for various types of construction projects.

Jonathan Renninger, the new Property Maintenance/Zoning Inspector started working for the city today. He fills the vacancy that they had for the past two months.

Nino Piccoli, Service Director, stated they have received ongoing calls with questions and concerns about the city deer. The city has to date picked up 38 deer carcasses and that number will just increase by fall, it will double. There is a plan and it will be discussed more as summer goes through. This Thursday our City Engineer will be celebrating a milestone birthday. Happy Birthday Pat Patton!

Patrick Patton, City Engineer, updated information on the courthouse renovation project. Received statement of qualifications from construction managers interested in the project. Review committee met last week and narrowed it down to two firms.

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:

Angela Mansier resides at 149 Essex Lane came to thank everyone that helped out with Kid's Day and Teen Fest last Saturday along with the Farmers Market.

Chet Simmons resides at 431 W. Washington came to explain that Friends of the Cemetery on Saturday night are presenting a Historical Walk and Talk, about 5 different families at the cemetery. Meet at Spring Grove at the Amos Mears office building at 1 p.m. if interested.

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. 108-24, Ord. 109-24, Ord. 110-24, Ord. 111-24, Res. 112-24, Ord. 113-24, Ord. 114-24. Roll was called and motion passed with the yea votes of R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and N. DiSalvo.

Ord. 108-24

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. 108-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Chief Kinney stated this is their annual maintenance agreement for their main computer system they use in the Police Department. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 108-24 passed by the yea votes of J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, and R. Haire.

Ord. 109-24

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. 109-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 109-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dirham stated there have been a lot of rail breaks on the city owned railroad. This is pay to the vendor that fixes those. Emergency is needed due to work being completed. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, and J. Hazeltine. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 109-24 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, and P. Rose

Ord. 110-24

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 47-24, passed February 26, 2024 relative to geotechnical services for the Prospect Street Bridge Replacement Project. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 110-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Patrick stated they received about \$1.8 million dollars from ODOT for the construction of the bridge replacement. ODOT in addition to that is funding \$200,000 toward the design and the city is responsible for Geotechnical Services. They added some light to the project limits which resulted in increased cost. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 110-24 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, and J. Shields.

Ord. 111-24

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to accept the modifications to the Medina County Thoroughfare Plan Proposed Project List as recommended by the Medina Area Transportation Task Force. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 111-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Patrick stated this task force was formed and ultimately produced a report that included several different recommendations from the area which included the city, the four townships and the county for future transportation improvement projects. There is a project they would like to complete near SR3 and SR162 and in doing that would make it impossible for two of their recommended projects to occur. They unanimously voted to remove the two from the 2001 report. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 111-24 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Res. 112-24

A Resolution requesting the Medina County Auditor to certify the total current tax valuation and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated for the renewal of 3.2 mills for the operation of an Ambulance and Emergency Medical Service. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 112-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dirham stated this is the first step of the process to put this renewal on the ballot this fall. Just asking for a renewal of the existing levy so there will be no change there. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 112-24 passed by the yea votes of R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and N. DiSalvo.

Ord. 113-24

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 170-23, passed October 23, 2023, relative to the requests for bids for the Spring Grove Cemetery Section 19 & 20 Road Improvements Project. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 113-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Wehrley stated this request will modify the budget for the Spring Grove Cemetery sections 19 & 20 road improvement project. The budget has changed as a result of geotechnical testing. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 113-24 passed by the yea votes of J. Hazeltine, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, and R. Haire.

Ord. 114-24

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. 114-24, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dirham stated there are three items on here that were donations and the rest are changes at the pool. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 114-24 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, and J. Hazeltine.

Council comments

Ms. Hazeltine announced Happy Pride Month! Celebration will be held on Thursday, June 13th at 5 p.m. on the square for sidewalk chalk walk and silent disco. This past January Out Support celebrated 10 years

Ms. Haire thanked the Sanitation Dept. as she had the opportunity to do a ride along with them

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and it was a fun time with a great group of employees who weekly pick up our trash and card board. Regi also got to sit in with the Finance Dept. with another bunch of great employees who work hard and help each other and doing a great job for our community.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the City Council meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Kathy Patton, Clerk of Council

John M. Coyne, III, President of Council