

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL
Monday, May 23, 2022

Call to Order:

Medina City Council met in regular session on Monday, May 23, 2022 at Medina City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Council President John Coyne III, who led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

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

Also present were the following members of the Administration: Mayor Dennis Hanwell, Greg Huber, Keith Dirham, Nino Piccoli, Lt. Marcum, Fire Chief Walters, Andrew Dutton, Jansen Wehrley, and Kimberly Marshall.

Minutes:

Mr. Shields moved that the minutes from the regular meeting on Monday, May 9, 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 B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and R. Haire.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Finance Committee: Mr. Coyne stated the Finance Committee met prior to this evening's Council meeting and will meet again in two weeks.

Health, Safety & Sanitation Committee: Mr. Simpson stated he and the Mayor attended the LST meeting to review operations and finances.

Public Properties Committee: Mr. Shields had no report.

Special Legislation Committee: Bill Lamb stated he held a meeting last week and it was primarily centered around feeding wild animals and topic range with public input with regard to perceived issue of deer and management. His objective is to bring the two sides together to effectively and realistically develop a management plan that works to the benefit of everyone in the community, real facts, information to build a consensus for a plan.

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

Water & Utilities Committee: Mrs. Hazeltine was absent.

Emerging Technologies Committee: Mr. Rose had no report.

Requests for Council Action:

Finance Committee

22-121-5/23 – Advance Request

22-122-5/23 – Budget Amendments

22-123-5/23 – Amend Ord. 78-22 – CHIP Private Rehab – 420 N. Jefferson

22-124-5/23 – PY22 CHIP Program Grant Application

- 22-125-5/23 – PY22 CHIP Partnership Agreement w/ Brunswick
- 22-126-5/23 – Amend Ord. 35-22 – Increase P.O. Purchase of 368 Foundry Street
- 22-127-5/23 – Emergency SR 18 Water Line Extension Expenditure – Fechko Excavating
- 22-128-5/23 – Expenditure (ARPA Project) – Core & Main LLP – Emergency SR 18
- 22-129-5/23 – Memorandum of Understanding – City of Medina Railway
- 22-130-5/23 – Expenditure (ARPA Project) – Plotbox – Cemetery Management System

Reports of Municipal Officers:

Dennis Hanwell, Mayor,

- A. Memorial Day Parade - May 30 - I am happy to report that the Memorial Day parade will take place this year as it has in past, prior to COVID. Lineup is from 9:00-10:00 a.m. Parade steps off at a little after 10 a.m. Starts at Broadway/Washington and goes west on Washington to Court; north on Court to Liberty; east on Liberty to Spring Grove; south on Spring Grove and into Spring Grove Cemetery. Ceremony at monument at Spring Grove will start about 11:00 a.m. or whenever parade completes. For veteran's groups interested in taking part, please contact Ed Zackery at the Medina County Veterans office.
- B. Flower Pots to beautify Historic District - placed Friday, May 20, 2022. Corner flower beds will be planted this week so Square is ready for Memorial Day weekend events. Proud of Medina!
- C. Square events:
 - May 28, Medina Co. Roadrunners Half Marathon/5k - 6:30 a.m.
 - June 3rd, Band Concerts each Friday in June/July 8:30 p.m.
 - June 4th, Kids Day of Safety & Play 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.
 - June 4th, Ormaco Jazz Under the Stars 7 p.m. – 9 p.m.
- D. Farmers' Market is back on Square each Saturday am
- E. Special Legislation - 3rd meeting on deer issues - Tue. June 28th at 5:30 p.m. at city hall. Encourage those interested to attend.
- F. Public members interested in city meetings can check website or provide your email to Clerk Kathy Patton at kpatton@medinaoh.org
- G. Prayers - Respectfully ask all to keep the Ukrainian people in your thoughts and prayers as they experience this conflict and violence, both relatives here and those who reside in Ukraine or fled from same. Hopeful to bring this attack to an end as soon as possible.
- H. Proclamation for Friends of the Cemetery- invite up Teresa Merkle and Cynthia Szunyog

Keith Dirham, Finance Director, stated he will address the last two items on the agenda when they get there.

Greg Huber, Law Department, had no report.

Lt. Marcum, Police Department, had no report.

Chief Walters, Fire Department, had no report.

Kimberly Marshall, Economic Development Director, had no report.

Jansen Wehrley, Parks and Recreation Director, Outdoor pool will open on Saturday at 11 a.m. fully staffed with lifeguards. Registrations: lifeguard class and swim lessons.

Two party in the park events at Memorial Pool with DJ and registration is open on the Rec Center website. Season Passes are on sale. Splash pads will open this Saturday and they are motion activated. First week in June 3rd, 4th and 5th the Medina Invitational Soccer Tournament and The Sting Shoot Out.

Jansen stated it's been a pleasure working with the Friends of the Cemetery over the years, and he appreciates their daily efforts.

Dan Gladish, Building Official, was absent.

Nino Piccoli, Service Director, congratulated the Friends of the Cemetery.

Spring Grove was closed between Union and Friendship on March 7th and just reopened this morning since the culvert work is completed. Today Broadway is now closed between Union and East North for the next 90 days for another culvert project.

Patrick Patton, City Engineer, absent.

Andrew Dutton, Community Development Director, after working on the Comprehensive Plan, they've got to a point where they have a working draft, there is a meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 21st.

Notices, communications and petitions:

There were none.

Liquor Permit:

Mr. Shields moved not to object to the issuance of a D-1 permit to Echelon Independent Living Operations LLC, dba Echelon Independent Living, 629 N. Huntington St. & Patios. Motion seconded by Mr. Simpson and approved by the yeas votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, and B. Lamb.

Unfinished Business:

Ord. 093-22

An Ordinance authorizing the Zoning Map Amendment to change the zoning of 881 Lafayette Road from I-1, Industrial to C-3, General Commercial. (Second reading) Andrew Dutton stated the application is being made by Medina Metropolitan Housing Authority and the purpose of the rezoning is to use the property for multi-family housing project. Public hearing was held on April 25th. Reviewed by the Planning Commission, both staff and Planning Commission have recommended approval of the project.

Introduction of Visitors:

There were none.

Introduction and Consideration of Ordinances and Resolutions:

Mr. Coyne explained the process with requiring three readings on ordinances and also with using the emergency clause.

Mr. Shields moved to suspend the rules requiring three readings on the following ordinances and resolutions, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Res. 102-22, Ord. 103-22, Ord. 104-22, Ord. 105-22, Res. 106-22, Ord. 107-22, Ord. 108-22, Ord. 109-22, Res. 110-22, Ord. 111-22, Ord. 112-22, Ord. 113-22, Ord. 114-22, Ord. 115-22, Ord. 116-22, and Ord. 117-22. The roll was called and the motion passed with the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, and P. Rose.

Res. 102-22:

A Resolution congratulation the Friends of the Cemetery on the occasion of their 25th Anniversary. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 102-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 102-22 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, and J. Shields.

Ord. 103-22:

An Ordinance authorizing the expenditure of \$10,200.00 to the Medina County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) for animal related services for the year 2022. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 103-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Rose stated this is the city's annual continued support of the SPCA. They do a great job for the city in helping with animal control and keep us from having to hire a full-time person. Mr. Lamb stated this is a great service to our community and what it does is provide a safety net, and care for animals in the city. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 103-22 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Ord. 104-22:

An Ordinance amending Section 2 of Ordinance No.32-22, passed February 28, 2022 relative to bids for the Gates Mills Culvert Replacement Project. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 104-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 104-22 passed by the yea votes of B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and R. Haire.

Ord. 105-22:

An Ordinance amending and replacing Chapter 941 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to Garbage. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 105-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Piccoli stated a large portion of this ordinance was written in 1989 and it governs how they pick up trash with rules and procedures and so they've reviewed and updated it to reflect today's operations. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 105-22 passed by the yea votes of R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Res. 106-22:

A Resolution authorizing the Application for Grant Assistance from the 2022 American Rescue Plan Funding for the Medina Police Department. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 106-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Lt. Marcum stated this is requesting to apply for grant assistance with the American Rescue Plan to assist with the purchase of installation, and maintenance of the Flock Camera System. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 106-22 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, and B. Lamb.

Ord. 107-22:

An Ordinance amending Section 31.07 of the Salaries and Benefits Code of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to accepting the revised job description for Seasonal Laborer. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 107-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 107-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Wehrley stated this will remove the requirement to have a drivers license and modifies the classification features for the seasonal laborer positions. Have had hiring issues and will be able to open up to minor applicants for the summer that do not have driver licenses. Emergency clause is needed because their season is already in full swing. 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. 107-22 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, B. Lamb, and P. Rose.

Ord. 108-22:

An Ordinance amending Section 31.07 of the Salaries and Benefits Code of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to accepting the revised job description for Laborer. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 108-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Piccoli stated prior to February 7, 2022, if an applicant had a temporary license for CDL endorsement they could get on the job training and receive that full endorsement after passing a test. Now, after February 7th, 2022 they are required to take a certified private instruction course and pay for it. Nino stated their labor pool has diminished. They are looking to change the job description and adding in the category of education and experience a preferred CDL. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 108-22 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Ord. 109-22:

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Medina County Board of Commissioners pertaining to the replacement of the sanitary sewer line on South Prospect Street. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 109-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mayor Hanwell stated whenever the city reconstructs a road, they like to replace all of the understructure in the road. The estimated cost of replacing the sewers is \$350,000.00 and the agreement commits them also after they approve the plans. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 109-22 passed by the yea votes of R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Res. 110-22:

A Resolution accepting the donation from the Friends of the Cemetery to fund the cost to convert the part-time Cemetery Laborer to full-time and to execute the Letter of Intent. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 110-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 110-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Jansen stated this is to accept \$21,000.00 from the Friends of the Cemetery to fund converting the part-time laborer at the cemetery to full-time effective July 1st. 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. 110-22 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, and B. Lamb.

Ord. 111-22:

An Ordinance amending Sections 31.02(B)(1) and 31.05 of the Salaries and Benefits Code of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to the Cemetery Laborer position. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 111-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 111-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Wehrley stated this is tied to the previous discussion regarding accepting funds from the Friends of the Cemetery, this is to make the changes to our salaries and benefits code so that we can actually convert the position to full-time. Emergency is requested so that they can start their internal process. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, B. Lamb, and P. Rose. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 111-22 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, and J. Shields.

Ord. 112-22:

An Ordinance amending and replacing Section 31.02(E) of the Salaries and Benefits Code of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to the Medina Community Recreation Center Part-Time Pay Scale, abolishing the positions of Tour Guide, Café Attendant and Café Supervisor. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 112-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 112-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Wehrley stated along with abolishing the positions this is a complete amendment of their pay scale for the rec center employees. The rec center staff has not had a significant raise since 2009. Emergency clause is due to being in dire need of lifeguards in order to keep the indoor pools open, and in need of front desk workers. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of J. Coyne, R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 112-22 passed by the yea votes of R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Ord. 113-22:

An Ordinance amending Ord. 89-22, passed April 25, 2022, relative to Membership Rates for the Medina Community Recreation Center. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 113-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 113-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Wehrley stated this is to cover giving their part-time employees a raise at the rec center. The rec

center is an enterprise fund meaning their revenues have to meet their expenses. Annual membership rates have not increased since 2016 and the CPI shows inflation has gone up 19.7% since 2016. In order to cover the cost for the employee wage increase they are proposing that they link membership fees to the CPI index, meaning they have the ability to raise membership rates up to the consumer price index if they have to. In addition, the day pass rates will increase by \$1.00 they have not increased since 2008. To be effective immediately. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of J. Coyne, R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 113-22 passed by the yea votes of B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and R. Haire.

Ord. 114-22:

An Ordinance authorizing the City of Medina Economic Development Department to implement a Small Business Workforce Assistance Grant Program for the City of Medina. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 114-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Kimberly stated this is to consider funding of \$200,000.00 to implement a Small Business Work Force assistant grant program from the ARPA. \$50,000.00 to be set aside for use with a Micro Business. A program has been put together specifically to address workforce assistance. The program will be administered by the City of Medina Economic Development Department as well as the Economic Development Committee. The program will begin on July 1st if approved. Forms will be available on the City website. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 114-22 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, and B. Lamb.

Ord. 115-22:

An Ordinance amending Ord. No. 35-22, passed February 28, 2022 relative to the Purchase Agreement for the property located at 368 Foundry Street, Medina, Ohio. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 115-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 115-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dirham stated they made the amendment on the purchase price of this property. The emergency clause is because the closing date is for tomorrow. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, B. Lamb, and P. Rose. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 115-22 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, and J. Shields.

Ord. 116-22:

An Ordinance authorizing the Finance Director to make certain fund advances. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 116-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dirham stated an advance is loan from one fund to another. The General Fund is loaning money to the Grants Fund. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 116-22 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Ord. 117-22:

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 201-21, passed December 13, 2021. (Amendments to 2022 Budget) Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 117-22, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dirham stated there is a number of amendments here. A lot deal

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with various advances and then grants and the property. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 117-22 passed by the yeas votes of R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Council Comments:

Mr. Simpson thanked the SPCA for the work they do. Dennie spoke highly of the Friends of the Cemetery and the committee.

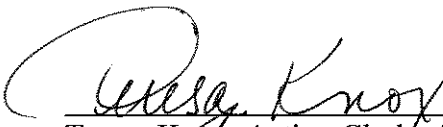
Ms. Haire thanked the students for being here tonight and encouraged them to be involved with their local government.

Mr. Shields thanked the Friends of the Cemetery and appreciates them. Shout out to Val Freeman and her group of young people.

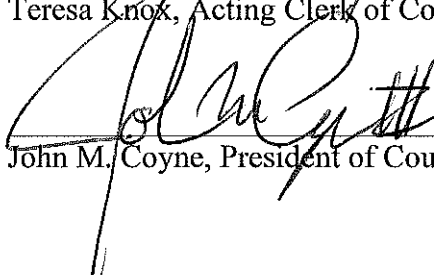
Mr. Rose congratulated and thanked the Friends of the Cemetery and the SPCA. He thanked the students for coming also encouraged them to be involved. Enjoy your summer.

Bill Lamb spoke about Civics and explained its meaning: The duties you have in citizenship.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.



Teresa Knox, Acting Clerk of Council



John M. Coyne, President of Council