

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL
Monday, February 27, 2017

Opening:

Medina City Council met in regular, open session on Monday, February 27, 2017. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President of Council John Coyne. Cub Scout Troop #3507 and Webelos from Blake Elementary led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Coyne asked for a moment of silence for Brian Macron whose body was found last week in Chippewa Lake, Brian was a Lafayette Township Trustee. John also offered condolences and prayers on behalf of council to his wife, three daughters and family.

Roll Call:

The roll was called with the following members of Council present D. Simpson, J. Coyne, B. Hilberg, M. Kolesar, B. Lamb, P. Rose, and J. Shields.

Also present were the following members of the Administration: Mayor Dennis Hanwell, Keith Dirham, Greg Huber, Patrick Patton, Nino Piccoli, Chief Painter, Jonathan Mendel, Dan Gladish, Kimberly Marshal, Mike Wright, Jansen Wehrley and Acting Police Chief Lt. Birckbichler.

Minutes:

Mr. Shields moved that the minutes from the regular meeting on February 13th, 2017 meeting as prepared and presented by the Clerk be approved, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and the minutes were approved by the yea votes of J. Coyne, B. Hilberg, M. Kolesar, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Reports of Standing Committees:

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

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

Public Properties Committee: Mr. Shields stated there is one item on tonight's agenda.

Special Legislation Committee: Mr. Lamb had no report but felt they would be scheduling a meeting soon to discuss some zoning changes mentioned at the finance meeting.

Streets & Sidewalks Committee: Mr. Simpson had no report.

Water & Utilities Committee: Mr. Hilberg had no report.

Emerging Technologies Committee: Mr. Rose had no report.

Requests for Council Action:

Finance Committee

17-036-2/27 – Budget Amendments

17-037-2/27 – Amend P & Z Code, various text amendments

17-038-2/27 – Expenditure – Software Solutions, Annual Software Support

17-039-2/27 – Resolution Opposing Ohio Governor's Proposed 2017-2018 Budget –
Centralized Collection of Net Profit Tax Returns

Reports of Municipal Officers:

Dennis Hanwell, Mayor, reported the following:

- 1) February 17 - 20th, 2017 Ice Festival put on by Elegant Ice. Warmer weather brought larger crowds and businesses did very well. Warmer weather was not as conducive to ice carving viewing however.
- 2) February 23rd, 2017 - Black History month event at 7 p.m. at Second Baptist Church on Bronson Street. The event was sponsored by the American Association of University Women. Event filled the church and all in attendance were blessed with an outstanding program including choirs from two of our Medina schools.
- 3) Fire - On February 9th at about 3:15 a.m. Medina Safety forces responded to an explosion/fire at Medina Village Apartments on Spring Brook Drive. Our safety forces were assisted by Medina Sheriff's Dept., Medina Twp. and Montville Twp. Police Departments; Medina Twp. Fire Dept. and Sharon Twp. Fire Dept. The incident resulted in the death of two adults and one other adult was seriously burned and remains at Metro Health Center. City collaborates and responds to all emergencies with police, fire and LST regularly. Those relationships and responses are beneficial on a hazardous and uncertain scene such as this. Responders evacuated the building, accounted for occupants, wrapped those outside in blankets until a community room could be opened, then assisted with temporary housing for those displaced. Recognition to first responders who responded and assisted.

Mayor Hanwell handed out the following.

Certificate of Appreciation:

LST Members – Brian Cavanaugh, Adam Papp, Jenny Goe, John Creamer, Jim Robertson, Alan Vondriska

Medina Fire Department – Justin Alferio, Thomas Bartfai, Robert Brewer, Preston Bures, Robert Bures, Alex Colon, Mark Crumley, Kyle Fry, Ryan Guseman, Steve Ingersol, Joseph Kovarik, Doug Kreuder, Mike Kupec, Nick Lynes, Keith McCurdy, Jerry Moehle, Bob Painter Jr., Robert Painter, Alan Rickenbrode, Clint Snyder, Brandon Steidle, David Stewart, Larry Walters, Jonathan Zabala

Medina County Sheriff's Office – Sgt. Scott Schmoll, Deputy Doug Clinage, Deputy Keith Curtin, Deputy Samantha Robinson

Montville Police Department – Officer Cory Searle

Medina Township Police Department – Officer Justin Harvey

Police Commendation Award:

Medina City Communication Officers – Jessica Hennen, Patty Miller, Megan Kennedy

Distinguished Service Award:

Medina City Service Department – Andre Goe

Medal of Valor:

Medina City Police Department – Sergeant George Horton, Officer Daryn Winebrenner, Officer Matthew Martincin

Keith Dirham, Finance Director, stated they there are a couple of things on the agenda that he will address when we get there.

Greg Huber, Law Director, had no report.

Lt. Birckbichler, Acting Police Chief, stated the first meeting for the Medina County Opiate Task Force was Friday, February 24th to develop a multi-discipline collaborative approach to address the illegal opiate use in Medina County. Subcommittees were developed to work on a solution for this problem. The City of Medina Police Department has dedicated staff to be a part of the task force.

Kimberly Marshall, Economic Development Director, had no report.

Jonathon Mendel, Planning Community Director, had no report.

Chief Painter, Fire Chief, had no report.

Mike Wright, Recreation Center Director, had no report.

Jansen Wehrley, Parks and Recreation Director, had no report.

Dan Gladish, Building Official, had no report.

Patrick Patton, City Engineer, reported that the US 42 Project is ongoing as you know. Last week the waterline was put into service. This week's work will be the contractors changing the water service from the old line to the new. In the next couple of weeks they will be starting the roadway work and this will impact traffic through the areas significantly. A new traffic pattern will be set up and traffic will be restricted to one lane in each direction during this time and left turns at various locations will be limited and omitted for a period time. ODOT is conducting a public open house to be held Tuesday, February 28th between 4-6 p.m. at Medina Fire Station #1, 300 W. Reagan Parkway.

Nino Piccoli, Service Director, had no report.

Notices, Communications and Petitions:

Liquor Permit:

Not to object to a Liquor Agency Contract to Buehler Food Markets Inc., dba Buehlers, 998 N. Court St. Unit 1. Mr. Shields moved not to object, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and approved by the yea votes of B. Hilberg, M. Kolesar, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Liquor Permit:

Mr. Shields moved not to object to the transfer of a C1, C2, D6 and D8 permit from North Court Beverage Inc., dba North Court Beverage, 998 N. Court St., Unit 1 to Buehlers, 998 North Court Unit 1. Motion seconded by Mr. Simpson and approved by the yea votes of M. Kolesar, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and B. Hilberg.

Unfinished Business:

There was none.

Introduction of Visitors:

Thomas Decker, 1038 Charleton Dr. announced his candidacy for Clerk of Courts at Medina City Municipal Court. He has a law enforcement background with a lot of experience with the court system.

Introduction and Consideration of Ordinances and Resolutions:

Ord. 24-17

An Ordinance repealing and replacing Ordinance No. 51-10, passed March 22, 2010, pertaining to the Memorial Park Swimming Pool Rates. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 024-17, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 024-17, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Wehrley stated with the anticipated opening of the Municipal Pool at Memorial Park, the MCRC and the Parks Department have requested that the rate structure be adjusted to better cover some of the operational costs of the pool through the increased revenues. They did a comparative study of pricing for outdoor pools in the area as well as those with a similar design throughout Ohio, and used this study to arrive at the proposed rate structure for the ordinance. This should allow the MCRC to absorb most of the anticipated costs associated with the day to day operations. Emergency is requested so they can start advertising in the spring brochure for the MCRC as well as social media to allow the presale season passes. Mr. Shields thanked Mike, Jansen and Christy for all their research they did putting this together and coming up with this plan. They really did a thorough job of finding the right combination of rates and giving a lot of opportunities. Even with the daily pass rate at \$7, there will be rates for free and reduced lunch, there will be discounts for buying passes ahead of time, punch pass cards and early bird specials. Jim encouraged everyone to support the pool; it's been a really long path to get this open again. Mr. Coyne stated he will be voting no on this ordinance since he has voted against the pool from the beginning and Mr. Rose stated while he does agree the pool can be a costly thing and he agrees with Mr. Coyne, he will be voting yes because if they don't pass the rates they won't collect any income and it will be even more of a cost. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, B. Hilberg, M. Kolesar, and B. Lamb. J. Coyne cast a nay vote. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 024-17 passed by the yea votes of B. Hilberg, M. Kolesar, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson. J. Coyne cast a nay vote.

Ord. 25-17

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 131-12, passed July 9, 2012 and authorizing the Mayor to continue and extend the Emergency Medical Services Agreement between Medina Hospital, the City of Medina, Medina Township and Montville Township. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 25-17, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mayor Hanwell stated this is simply a renewal of the existing provisions within the contract and the new contract period will be for another 5 years retroactive back to January 1, 2017 and conclude December 31, 2021. Mr. Simpson stated he will have to abstain from voting due to employment ties. Mr. Kolesar thanked LST for their hard work and keeping our community safe. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 25-17 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, J. Coyne, B. Hilberg, M. Kolesar, B. Lamb and P. Rose. D. Simpson abstained.

Res. 26-17

A Resolution donating ten computers to the Medina City Schools. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 026-17, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields stated he will abstain from voting due to being employed by Medina City Schools. Mayor Hanwell stated the city has a rotation where the computers are replaced on a schedule and some of these being replaced are newer than some of the city schools' computers so rather than us selling at auction for pennies on the dollar, the school has the ability to use them until they can replace theirs and then we put them in our city auction. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 026-17 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, B. Hilberg, M. Kolesar, B. Lamb, and P. Rose. J. Shields abstained.

Ord. 27-17

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a three-year contract with Rea & Associates, Inc. for the preparation of the City's CAFR in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) for the years ending December 31, 2016, December 31, 2017, and December 31, 2018. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 027-17, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 027-17, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dirham explained that Rea & Associates has been doing this for a number of years. They prepare our CAFR for us so that we can get it audited in compliance with the requirements of the state. The emergency clause is so that they can begin this work as soon as possible. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of B. Hilberg, M. Kolesar, B. Lamb, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne. P. Rose cast a nay vote. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. -17 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, B. Hilberg, M. Kolesar, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Ord. 28-17

An Ordinance amending Sections 31.03, 31.05 and 31.07.07 of the Salaries and Benefits Code of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to the Administrative Office Manager position and accepting the amended job description. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 028-17, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mayor Hanwell stated his administrative assistant is leaving in April and her salary was fixed with no range within her pay grade. He established a range so that if the replacement doesn't have the experience and the

background to command at that current rate they will now have some flexibility. Mayor Hanwell went through the job description so that it more properly reflects the current because things change as time goes on. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 028-17 passed by the yea votes of M. Kolesar, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and B. Hilberg.

Ord. 29-17

An Ordinance authorizing the expenditure of \$45,000.00 to HD Supply Waterworks for water system maintenance materials for the Water Department. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 029-17, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Piccoli stated this ordinance will allow for the purchase of various waterline material repair parts such as pipe, repair clamps, dressers, tapping supplies, and hydrants that are used daily in the Water Department. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 029-17 passed by the yea votes of B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, B. Hilberg, and M. Kolesar.

Ord. 30-17

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 167-16, passed December 12, 2016.

(Amendments to 2017 Budget) Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 030-17, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dirham stated all of these amendments relate to donations that have been received, and since we don't budget for donations, we need Councils' authorization to be able to spend the money. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 030-17 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, B. Hilberg, M. Kolesar, and B. Lamb.

Council Comments:

Mr. Simpson thanked all rescue services for their expertise, he acknowledges it was a difficult situation and is grateful every one of them went home safe.

Mr. Shields echoed the Mayors' comments on the Black History Month celebration at Second Baptist Church, it was an outstanding program and inspirational. The representation of our city by Acting Chief Birchbickler and his speech/story about a Medina youth was phenomenal.

Mr. Kolesar echoed Mr. Simpson on the rescue services and commended Dan Gladish.

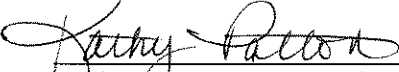
Mr. Lamb welcomed our newest Bank to the Historic District and complemented Huntington Bank on their transition from First Merit to Huntington Bank. That corner of Washington & Court Street has had a bank in that location for about 150 years now.

Mr. Coyne stated there is a joint meeting with the Medina City Board of Education Monday, March 6th, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. here in the Council Rotunda. Collaborative efforts will be discussed, anything new coming up through the school board, and open debating on the TIF and how it will benefit the city.

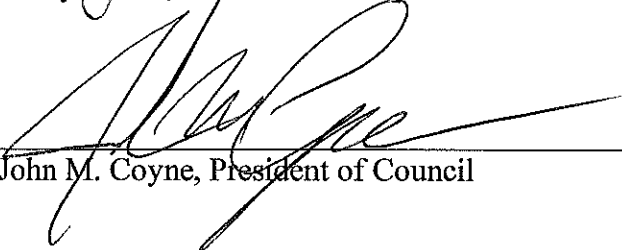
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Adjournment:

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



Kathy Patton, CMC - Clerk of Council



John M. Coyne, President of Council

