

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL
Monday, September 8, 2025

Call to Order:

Medina City Council met in regular session on Monday, September 8, 2025 at Medina City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President of Council John 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, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons and D. Simpson. Natalie DiSalvo was absent.

Also present were the following members of the Administration: Mayor Hanwell, Greg Huber, Keith Dirham, Nino Piccoli, Patrick Patton, Dan Gladish, Chief Walters, Brian Wagner, Janson Wehrley, Kathy Patton, Jarrod Fry, Andrew Dutton and Kimberly Marshall.

Reading of Minutes:

Mr. Shields moved that the minutes from the regular meeting on August 25, 2025 as prepared and submitted by the Clerk be approved, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and minutes were approved with the yea votes of R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Finance Committee: Mr. Coyne stated the Finance Committee met prior to Council this evening and 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: Mr. Simmons had no report.

Emerging Technologies Committee: Ms. DiSalvo was absent.

Requests for Council Action:

Finance Committee

- 25-174-9/8 – Budget Amendments
- 25-175-9/8 – Task Order #2 – Delta Airport Consultants
- 25-176-9/8 – Accepting Easements – Prospect St. Bridge
- 25-177-9/8 – Accept Donations – MCRC
- 25-178-9/8 – RFP's – Drug Screen & Related Services
- 25-179-9/8 – Purchase two (2) Ford Pick Up Trucks – Street Dept.
- 25-180-9/8 – Increase P.O. #2025-338 – Dynamerican – Public Buildings

Reports of Municipal Officers:

Dennis Hanwell, Mayor, reported the following:

- A. The City now has 2,900 recipients for the City Newsletter! Over 100 signed up on one weekend. Great way to share ongoing information from the City. Well done Barbara Dzur.
- B. He reported that he presented the State of the City to City Council this evening at 6:30 p.m.
- C. The Mayor stated he is going to present the State of the City to the Greater Medina Area Chamber of Commerce at Williams on the Lake Tuesday, September 9th at 11:30 a.m.
- D. The Tunnel to Towers Race from the Square to the Medina Fire Department Station #1, past the 911 Memorial and thru Fire Bays then back to the Square. It was a great event and fundraiser. Our 1841 Courthouse on the Square was featured on all race post cards promoting the event throughout the country. Drone video this year may showcase the City next year. There were over 1,100 participants.
- E. Square Events:
 - a. Farmer's Market 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. May 17th thru October 4th.
 - b. Medina Fall Festival will be held on Saturday, September 27th 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Keith Dirham, Finance Director, stated there is a budget meeting on Wednesday, and there are items on the agenda he will discuss.

Greg Huber, Law Department, had no report.

Kimberly Marshall, Economic Development Director, gave an update on the Yost Sunoco Station site. She is hoping to wrap this up and get the site restored before the end of the year.

Brian Wagner, Police Department, had no report.

Cindy Lastuka, Municipal Court, had no report.

Nino Piccoli, Service Director, Nino had no report.

Patrick Patton, City Engineer, reported the new waterline is complete and resurfacing will begin next Tuesday.

Chief Walters, Fire Department, had no report.

Andrew Dutton, Community Development Director, stated they are looking for a new member for the Board of Zoning Appeals. Interested parties can call his office or look on the city's website.

Jansen Wehrley, Parks and Recreation Director, Jansen stated that the Memorial Pool closed on September 2nd and he reported a record year of attendance.

Dan Gladish, Building Official, had no report.

Confirmation of Mayor’s appointments.

Beth Girman – Archive Commission (replacing Bob Thompson) – Exp. 12/31/28
Nino Piccoli – Airport Commission (replacing Brian Guccion) – Exp. 12/31/27

Mr. Shields moved to confirm the Mayor’s appointments, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and the appointments confirmed by the yeas of P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and R. Haire.

Notices, communications and petitions

There were none.

Unfinished Business

There is none.

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. 142-25, Ord. 143-25, Res. 144-25, Ord. 145-25, Res. 146-25, Ord. 147-25, Ord. 148-25, Ord. 149-25, Ord. 150-25, Ord. 151-25, Ord. 152-25. The roll was called and motion passed with the yeas of J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire and P. Rose

Ord. 142-25

An Ordinance adopting the City of Medina Community Development Block Grant Program Citizen Participation Plan. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 142-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 142-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Andrew Dutton reported this updated plan needs to be adopted to utilize the Community Development Block Grant funding. The emergency clause is requested because we are a little late doing this update. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yeas of C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, P. Rose and J. Shields. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 142-25 passed by the yeas of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields and C. Simmons.

Ord. 143-25

An Ordinance adopting a Residential Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan for the City of Medina. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 143-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 143-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Andrew Dutton explained this is another plan necessary for the Community Development Block Grant. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yeas of J. Coyne, R. Haire, P. Rose,

J. Shields, C. Simmons and D. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution 143-25 passed by the yea votes of R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Res. 144-25

A Resolution accepting the grant award from the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services Specialized Docket Subsidy Project Funding Grant for the Medina Municipal Court Veteran's Treatment Court. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 144-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Ms. Lastuka stated that the Court has received another \$75,000 this year for the Treatment Court. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 144-25 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and R. Haire.

Ord. 145-25

An Ordinance authorizing the Finance Director to waive certain uncollectible utility accounts. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 145-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Keith Dirham stated this account cannot be collected due to a bankruptcy. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 145-25 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire and P. Rose.

Res. 146-25

A Resolution authorizing the adoption of the Medina County 2025 All Hazard and Flood Mitigation Plan Update. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 146-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 146-25 passed by the yea votes of C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, P. Rose and J. Shields.

Ord. 147-25

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to advertise for the auction, sale or disposal of City equipment and vehicles no longer in use. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 147-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Nino Piccoli explained this in the annual City Auction to be held on October 25, 2025 at 781 W. Smith Rd. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 147-25 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields and C. Simmons.

Ord. 148-25

An Ordinance amending Section 31.13 (1)(J) of the Salaries and Benefits Code of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to Vacation. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 148-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mayor Hanwell explained this change is in regard to lateral transfers and will change the effective date to September 1, 2021. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 148-25 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons and D. Simpson.

Ord. 149-25

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 209-24, passed November 25, 2024. (Amendments to 2025 Budget) Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 138-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Keith Dirham explained most of these are pass throughs. The roll was

called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 149-25 passed by the yea votes of R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Ord. 150-25

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Agreement with OC-SMA LLC, owner of Medina Supply, to allow for public parking on Permanent Parcel Nos. 028-19D-01-021 and 028-19D-01-018. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 150-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 150-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dutton explained this is a modification of the current agreement and will extend the parking permission for another 2 years. The emergency clause is required because the current agreement is set to expire. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and R. Haire. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 150-25 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire and P. Rose.

Ord. 151-25

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to accept two (2) Temporary Easements necessary for the Prospect Street Bridge Project. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 151-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 151-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Patton explained the emergency clause is requested because they would like to get these easements recorded. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, P. Rose and J. Shields. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 151-25 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields and C. Simmons.

Ord. 152-25

An Ordinance amending Section 31.02 (B)(6) of the Salaries and Benefits Code of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to the Medina Municipal Court Grant Positions, and repealing Ordinance No. 132-25. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 152-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 152-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Cindy Lastuka explained this is adjusting the payscales for the grant positions for the CCA Grant. Emergency is requested because the grant has already taken effect. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of J. Coyne, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons and D. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 152-25 passed by the yea votes of R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Council comments

Mr. Simpson thanked the Mayor for his State of the City address.

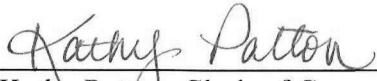
Ms. Haire – discussed the Ward 3 & 4 meeting that was held on September 2nd. They had a great turnout and the two most discussed topics were the deer and speeding.

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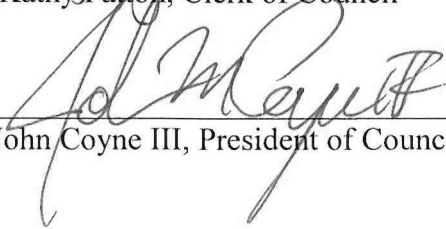
Mr. Rose stated that he gets a lot of complaints about the deer as well and thanked Regi for the information. He stated there was a recent tragedy in Minnesota, and everyone wants to know why. He stated he thinks the simple answer is in the Supreme Court decision of June 25, 1962 where they said no more prayer in school. He thinks that if we get back to those basics and show people that we have a responsibility bigger and above anybody here in this room or on this earth, the killings will stop.

Adjournment.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.



Kathy Patton, Clerk of Council



John Coyne III, President of Council