

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL

Monday June 22, 2026

Call to Order:

Medina City Council met in regular session on Monday, June 22, 2026, at Medina City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President of Council John Coyne III, who led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

The roll was called with the following members of Council present: B. Lamb, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire and E. Isabella. N. DiSalvo was absent.

Also present were the following members of the Administration: Mayor Shields, Keith Dirham, Nino Piccoli, Patrick Patton, Chief Kinney, Chief Walters, Cindy Lastuka, Kathy Patton, and Andrew Dutton.

Reading of Minutes:

Ms. Haire moved that the minutes from the meeting on Monday, June 8th, 2026, as prepared and submitted by the Clerk be approved, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and the motion approved by the yea votes of C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, E. Isabella and B. Lamb.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Finance Committee: Mr. Coyne stated they met prior to council this evening for a great hour and a half session and will meet again in 3 weeks on July 14th.

Public Properties Committee: Ms. Haire had no report.

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

Special Legislation Committee: Ms. DiSalvo was absent.

Streets & Sidewalks Committee: Mr. Isabella explained they held a meeting last week where they advanced RCA 26-022 – Modify Current Sidewalk Program to the finance committee.

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

Emerging Technologies Committee: Mr. Lamb had no report.

Requests for Council Action:

Finance Committee

26-124-6/22 – Transfer Request – Railroad Fund

26-125-6/22 – Transfer Request – Parking Fund

26-126-6/22 – Transfer Request – Cable TV Fund

26-127-6/22 – Budget Amendments

26-128-6/22 – Increase Exp. P.O. #26-235 – Hall Public Safety – Police

26-129-6/22 – Water Rates & Utility Rate Review Commission – Finance Dept.

26-130-6/22 – 2026 SPCA Funding Request

26-131-6/22 – Medina Municipal Courthouse Change Order #03 – Engineering

26-132-6/22 – Construction Agreement – US 42/Lafayette Rd. – Engineering

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26-133-6/22 – Engineering Design Services for Job #1189, SR 3 North
26-134-6/22 – Amend S&B Code 31.02 & 31.05 – Housekeeping – Service Dept.
26-135-6/22 – 2027 Tax Budget
26-136-6/22 – Proposed Ballot Issue – Sidewalks

Reports of Municipal Officers:

Mayor Shields reported the following:

Juneteenth Celebration

On Saturday June 13, 2026, on the square the 5th annual Juneteenth celebration took place from 10 a.m. -3 p.m. Kenny Crumpton, Danita Harris and Motown band from Detroit- Shades of Blue Spoken Word artist from Atlanta. Thank you, council members Simmons, Simpson and Isabella, for attending. Special thanks to Cleveland Clinic- Event Sponsor, Pastor Arthur and Tracy Ruffin, Reverend Wilson, Main Street Medina – Angela, Annette Finley and Pam Miller.

Next Year's event is already scheduled for Saturday June 19th, 2027.

Bee Park Dedication

This Friday, Main Street Medina will be doing a ribbon cutting for the new Bee Park located just south of Smith Road on S. Broadway next to the Medina Supply warehouse. The festivities begin at 1:00 p.m.

July 3, 4, 5th - America 250 Events

July 3rd - Medina's largest fireworks display at Medina High School at dusk. Special thanks to Murray and Susan Van Epp, Medina Township and Montville Township.

July 4th - Twin Sizzler Bike and Running Races; Farmers Market; Spirit of 76 Celebration 10-3 at Old Town Cemetery, St. Paul's Church; Parade kicks off from MHS to Square at 4:00 p.m. and then Band Concert on Square at 8:00 p.m. with ice Cream Social sponsored by Medina Breakfast Kiwanis

July 5th - Car Show at the county admin parking lot, benefiting Medina County Historical Society

Keith Dirham, Finance Director, stated they had a meeting at Avon Lake Regional Water to discuss water rates for 2027, and good news is they are not raising our rates.

Greg Huber, Law Department, was absent.

Kimberly Marshall, Economic Development Director, was absent.

Chief Kinney, Police Department, had no report.

Nino Piccoli, Service Director, Nino stated they will have a crew on Fair Road tomorrow to perform some repairs with pavement underlying and then chip and seal will follow.

Patrick Patton, City Engineer, Patrick gave update on US 42 resurfacing project as it started today. In addition to resurfacing US 42 from North of Homestead to Lafayette, it also includes intersection improvements.

Cindy Lastuka, Municipal Court, had no report.

Chief Walters, Fire Department, Chief stated we have quite a firework show lined up. Chief explained where the fireworks are being set up by the high school and he showed the fallout boundaries. There will be some restrictions in certain areas closer to the fireworks beginning.

Andrew Dutton, Community Development Director, had no report.

Jansen Wehrley, Parks, Forestry, Cemetery and Recreation Director, was absent.

Dan Gladish, Building Director, had no report.

Jarrold Fry, Communications Director, had no report.

Notices, communications and petitions

There were none.

Unfinished Business

There is none.

Introduction of visitors

(speakers limited to 5 min.)

Tom O'Connell – Medina Metropolitan Housing – Update on Next Step-Up Shelter

Since opening in February 2025 Next Step Up has served 304 people. 176 of the 304 have come from the city of Medina. 83% of the guest are Medina County residents. Over the last 16 months 35 children have stayed at Next Step Up. They have a small pet kennel area for people with their pets that enter the shelter. They have since opening housed 26 dogs and 12 cats.

53 households have successfully exited Next Step Up and entered into their own lease agreements. 21 of the 53 households have successfully found permanent housing here in the City of Medina. The average length of stay is 33 days.

Since February 68 guests have secured employment.

Using 23 to 24 beds every single night at Next Step Up. There are 27 beds and 2 cribs.

Fielding 68 calls per month from Medina City residents that are experiencing a housing crisis.

Tom appreciates the support from the City of Medina, the support from Medina City Hall and Council and the generous contribution of \$50,000 to support Next Step-Up Operations.

On May 6th MMHA moved into some temporary offices on 4079 North Jefferson.

Update on Lafayette Rd. with eleven units of permanent supportive housing is well on it's way with over 60%, construction has been completed and final completion will be in September.

Introduction and consideration of ordinances and resolutions.

Ms. Haire moved to suspend the rules requiring three readings on the following ordinances and resolutions, seconded by Mr. Simmons.: Ord. 102-26, Ord. 103-26, Ord. 104-26, Ord. 105-26. The roll was called and the motion passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, E. Isabella, B. Lamb and C. Simmons.

Ord. 102-26

An Ordinance amending Section 133.01 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to Association Memberships for the Fire Department. Chief Walters stated this membership will assist their inspection, Fire Marshall and his staff with plan reviews and training and other benefits and is very affordable. Ms. Haire moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 102-26, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 102-26 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, R. Haire, E. Isabella, B. Lamb, C. Simmons and D. Simpson.

Res. 103-26

A Resolution amending Resolution No. 186-25, passed November 10, 2025, relative to the Probation Community Corrections Grant (CCA) for the Medina Municipal Court. Cindy stated the Municipal Court was awarded an addition \$7,500 to purchase a standup check-in Kiosk for the probation dept. Ms. Haire moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 103-26, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 103-26 passed by the yea votes of R. Haire, E. Isabella, B. Lamb, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Ord. 104-26

An Ordinance authorizing the Finance Director to make certain fund transfers. Ms. Haire moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 104-26, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Keith stated these are transfers to the railroad fund, the parking fund and the Cable TV fund. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 104-26 passed by the yea votes of E. Isabella, B. Lamb, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and R. Haire.

Ord. 105-26

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 218-25, passed December 8, 2025. (Amendments to 2026 Budget) Ms. Haire moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 105-26, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Keith explained this covers the forementioned transfers and some other items. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 105-26 passed by the yea votes of B. Lamb, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire and E. Isabella.

Council Comments:

Ms. Haire commented on the 4th of July holiday coming up to be safe. She thanked the administration and service dept. as they will be working on Fair Rd. It is so needed.

Mr. Simmons - America-250, Friends of the Cemetery have been working on events for over a year now. Pick up flyer for event information.

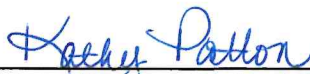
Mr. Isabella echoed Regi and Chet and to be safe, especially if playing around with explosives.

Mr. Lamb stated shooting off fireworks are illegal and are hard on all living creatures. He is currently working on deer program with number of car collisions, best signs for deterrent with motion/radar. Try some signs in some locations. Rotate in temporary locations. He would like to have some evasive species removed from some of the parks. Looked at some companies for removal process. Begin to plant native plants and fields to better feed the smaller mammals, and

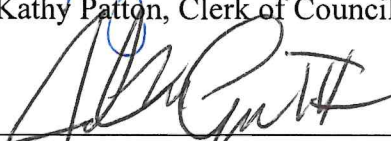
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birds. Working to develop W. Washington St. to save historic lighting in the historic district.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.



Kathy Patton, Clerk of Council



John Coyne III, President of Council

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