

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL

Monday, March 10, 2025

Call to Order:

Medina City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 10, 2025 at Medina City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President of Council John M. Coyne III, who led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

The roll was called with the following members of Council present: J. Shields, C. Simmons, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire and P. Rose. D. Simpson was absent.

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

Reading of Minutes:

Mr. Shields moved that the minutes from the regular meeting on February 24th, 2025 as prepared and submitted by the Clerk be approved, seconded by Mr. Rose. The roll was called and approved with the yea votes of C. Simmons, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose and J. Shields.

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 was absent.

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 stated the last meeting the website was discussed and it's looking great and the time frame has been bumped up.

Requests for Council Action:

Finance Committee

25-057-3/10 – Budget Amendments

25-058-3/10 – Fund Advance Request – Airport

25-059-3/10 – Then & Now - Centerra Co-op

25-060-3/10 – 2024 Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grant Application

25-061-3/10 – Discussion – Naming of 1969 Courthouse

25-062-3/10 – Crime & Airport Liability Insurance Renewal – Travelers

25-063-3/10 – Supply City Water to 5784 Wadsworth Rd.

25-064-3/10 – Bids, S. Court Water Main Loop (Job #1181)

25-065-3/10 – Donate PC's and Cameras to Medina City Schools

Reports of Municipal Officers:

Dennis Hanwell, Mayor – Mayor Hanwell, reported the following:

- Welcomed Nino Piccoli back.
- United Way of Summit-Medina County is offering free tax prep for households earning less than 67K per year and you can schedule this by dialing 2-1-1 or going to their website www.uwsummitmedina.org/FEC the appointments in Medina are full but there is still some room at the Summit office.
- The annual Black History Month service was held at Second Baptist Church, 451 Bronson St. on Thursday, February 27th. Mayor Hanwell attended along with John Coyne, Paul Rose, Chet Simmons, Regi Haire, Jim Shields and Finance Director Keith Dirham.
- Water line break happened in the Service Department office at City Hall two weeks ago and the offices remain temporarily located in lower level of City Hall in the Multi-purpose room. We are hoping to get them back upstairs midweek. Special thanks to the Building Official Dan Gladish and our maintenance employee Matt Leightner as well as the Streets Department to help move all the heavy files that are lined up back by the Council office, it was a team effort to get everything moved.
- Main Street Medina will have it's first Ladies Night out on the square March 19 4 p.m. – 9 p.m.
- Mayor Hanwell presented a 4-year old resident Summer Gaede a Good Citizen Award in recognition of her efforts to clean up litter in her neighborhood.

Keith Dirham, Finance Director, Congratulated Summer and welcomed back Nino.

A reminder to all residents that the City of Medina does have a city income tax. We handle the income tax through RITA so we do not collect it here ourselves. www.rita-ohio.com .

The last three items on the agenda are related to finance and he will discuss them when they get there.

Greg Huber, Law Department, had no report, but welcomed Nino back.

Kimberly Marshall, Economic Development Director, Kimberly reported the following:

- She stated they received qualifications from 3 consultants and the review committee is in the process of scoring them and will meet later this week to discuss.
- The America 250 committee held a logo contest and they have made a selection. They will be working with the Law Department on hiring a firm for copyright/trademark assistance. Included with that effort is the Rec Center logo as well.
- We are working with Albrecht, the developer for the ACME grocery store on a Medina County Transportation Improvement District Grant application. Since we are just assisting them, there is no request for City matching dollars. We may need to provide a letter of support.

- Our Job Creation Grant monitoring letters were sent out at the end of February and we will be holding our annual monitoring meetings over the next few months.
- Our next City of Medina Economic Development Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 1st at 8:00 a.m. We will be meeting at the Medina Municipal Airport to discuss operations, new signage and future development.
- Cold Stream Air Services opened up a new Maintenance Mechanic Shop and we are holding a ribbon cutting this Friday, March 14, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. This is in collaboration with Main Street Medina and the Medina Chamber of Commerce. Welcome back Nino, it's been quiet!

Chief Kinney, Police Department, Welcome back Nino.

Cindy Lastuka, Municipal Court, Welcome back Nino.

Nino Piccoli, Service Director, Nino thanked everyone for their kind words and thoughts while he was out on leave. Thanked Mayor for handling things while he was out.

Patrick Patton, City Engineer, noted that a couple years ago NOACA awarded the city a fast charging station for electrical vehicles. This is completely paid for and installed by NOACA. It will be located adjacent to the level 2 chargers in the lower level of the parking deck.

Chief Walters, Fire Department, had no report.

Jansen Wehrley, Parks and Recreation Director was absent.

Dan Gladish, Building Official, was absent.

Andrew Dutton, Planning and Community Development Director, Welcome back Nino.

Notices, communications and petitions

There were none.

Unfinished Business

There is none.

Introduction of visitors

Solong Wang has resided in Medina for 27 years or so at 130 Harding St. just recently moved to 4160 Pearl. Spoke on thefts in the city.

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. Rose: Ord. 48-25, Res. 49-25, Ord. 50-25, Ord. 51-25, Ord. 52-25, Ord. 53-25, Ord. 54-25, Ord. 55-25, Ord. 56-25. The roll was called and motion passed with the yea votes of J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, and C. Simmons.

Ord. 48-25

An Ordinance authorizing an expenditure to Technology Engineering Group, LLC for the scale cluster at the Medina Municipal Court. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 048-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. Cindy Lastuka stated they would like to replace the scale clusters that are going out of date. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 048-25 passed by the yea votes of N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, and J. Coyne.

Res. 49-25

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Partnership Agreement by and between Medina County, the City of Brunswick, the City of Wadsworth, and the City of Medina for the purpose of filing a Countywide PY25 Community Housing Impact and Preservation Program (CHIP) Grant Application with the Ohio Department of Development. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 049-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Dutton explained Medina City was unsuccessful in their program year 2024 CHIP application with the City of Brunswick. They have decided to partner with the cities of Brunswick, Wadsworth and Medina County on a combined CHIP for the year 2025 and should receive the same amount of funding and the administrator will be the county. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 049-25 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, and R. Haire.

Ord. 50-25

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America for the City's Cyber Security Liability Insurance for the period of April 1, 2025 through April 1, 2026. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 050-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 050-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mayor stated this is a renewal of our cyber security liability insurance in the amount of \$26,603.00. Emergency clause is needed as this expires on April 1st, 2025. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of J. Shields, C. Simmons, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire and P. Rose. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 050-25 passed by the yea votes of C. Simmons, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose and J. Shields.

Ord. 51-25

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to advertise for competitive bids and to award a contract to the successful bidder for the W. Liberty/S. Elmwood/W. Washington Water Line Improvements Project. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 051-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. Patrick stated they would like to replace the waterline at Liberty between Court and Elmwood. The line is only 4" and over 95 years old. Asking to bid this as an add alternate. This is being paid for partially by a \$510,000 zero interest loan from the Ohio Public Works Commission. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 051-25 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, and C. Simmons.

Ord. 52-25

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into the Guaranteed Maximum Price Agreement No. 2 with the Ruhlin Company, for work at the Medina Municipal Courthouse.

Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 052-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. Patrick stated this is Agreement #2 and covers such things as concrete work, steel work, installing elevators and shafts and the purchase of electrical gear. There is one more GMP coming #3 and is currently estimated at \$8.1 million dollars. There will be a COW meeting on April 9th to discuss #3 in detail. Asking for the emergency clause as the project is underway and with the uncertainty in prices with these tariffs we would like to get everything ordered and committed as soon as we can. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 052-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, and J. Coyne. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 052-25 passed by the yea votes of R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, J. Coyne, and N. DiSalvo.

Ord. 53-25

An Ordinance approving the Ninth Amendment to the City of Medina-Montville Township Joint Economic Development District and Annexation Contract to add territory to the district and repealing Ordinance No. 42-25, passed February 24, 2025.

Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 053-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. Kimberly stated the repeal is requested as the wrong version and inadvertently was included in the previous council packet and it had old Ohio Revised Code provisions that are no longer in existence. The emergency clause is needed so the developer can start the project. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 053-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, and R. Haire. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 053-25 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, C. Simmons, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire and P. Rose

Ord. 54-25

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. 053-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 053-25 passed by the yea votes of C. Simmons, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose and J. Shields.

Ord. 55-25

An Ordinance authorizing the Finance Director to make certain fund advances.

Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 055-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Dirham stated this is an advance to the airport fund for snow removal equipment. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 055-25 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, and C. Simmons.

Ord. 56-25

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. 056-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. Keith stated this an invoice for fuel. Last year's purchase order was closed when we thought we made the final payment and then these invoices came in after that and this is a then and now to pay for the fuel from November and that is why the emergency clause is needed. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 056-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, and J. Coyne. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 056-25 passed by the yea votes of R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, J. Coyne, and N. DiSalvo.

Council comments.

Regi Haire stated she is happy and excited to see Nino back working with everyone. Reminded community that Medina has it's 4th annual Beer Crawl on Saturday.

Chet Simmons welcomed Nino back. Shout out to Sarah Tomes designer of semi-quinquennial AM 250 logo for the City of Medina – it looks great!

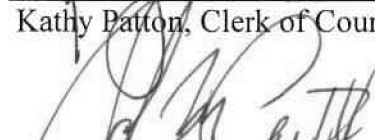
Mr. Rose welcomed Nino back, stating he was missed.

Adjournment.

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



Kathy Patton, Clerk of Council



John M. Coyne, III, President of Council