

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL

Monday, March 24, 2025

Call to Order:

Medina City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 24, 2025 at Medina City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President of Council John M. Coyne III. The 5th graders from Northrup Elementary led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

The roll was called with the following members of Council present: P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and R. Haire. N. DiSalvo 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, Kathy Patton, Jansen Wehrley, Andrew Dutton and Kimberly Marshall.

Reading of Minutes:

Mr. Shields moved that the minutes from the regular meeting on March 10th, 2025 as prepared and submitted by the Clerk be approved, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and approved with the yea votes of J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire and P. Rose.

Reports of Standing Committees:

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

Public Properties Committee: Mr. Shields had no report.

Health, Safety & Sanitation Committee: Mr. Simpson there will be an update on April 14th from Police, Fire and Sanitation departments.

Special Legislation Committee: Mr. Rose had no report but announced the Ad Hoc meeting that was held on the 19th stating they have a recommendation for the next Finance Meeting on Elected Official salaries.

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

25-066-3/24 – Revise Civil Service Rule VI (C) (5)

25-067-3/24 – Water Rates

25-068-3/24 – Expenditure – Kleinfelder – PY25 CDBG

25-069-3/24 – Interurban Building Relocation & Use

25-070-3/24 – Grant Application – Violent Crime Reduction Funding – Police

25-071-3/24 – Cleveland Clinic Children's Hospital Aquatic Therapy Lease – MCRC

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25-072-3/24 – Purchase Vault Restroom – Roscoe Ewing Park
25-073-3/24 – Engineering Agreement w/ Wheeling & Lake Erie – US-42 Resurfacing
25-074-3/24 – LPA Project Agreement w/ ODOT – US 42 Resurfacing & Bump outs
25-075-3/24 – Increase PO #25-1004 – Wright Traffic Control - Engineering

Reports of Municipal Officers:

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

- A. 2024 Annual report is available on city website and/or by stopping in at Council office or Mayor's office during city hall hours. The reports contain a great deal of data and documents positive financial health and growth of the city. Thanks to Sarah Tome for her efforts in taking all the information from department heads and creating a consistent and professional report. Thank you to council, department heads and individual staff members for making Medina so special.
- B. Chimney Rock Video-Armstrong Channel, YouTube and Facebook.
- C. Square Events
 - a. April 13- Cars & Coffee 8am-Noon – MSM
 - b. April 13- Community Pinwheel Walk to prevent child abuse 1 p.m.-3 p.m.

Keith Dirham, Finance Director, 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 .

Greg Huber, Law Department, had no report.

Kimberly Marshall, Economic Development Director, Kimberly had no report.

Chief Kinney, Police Department, Chief had no report.

Nino Piccoli, Service Director, had no report.

Patrick Patton, City Engineer, Patrick stated crews will be back on East Reagan Parkway tomorrow and anticipate to have 12 to 15 workdays. Airport pavement repair project starts tomorrow.

Chief Walters, Fire Department, had no report.

Jansen Wehrley, Parks and Recreation Director Jansen updated with Ken Cleveland Park playground project being completed. Medina received Tree City USA designation for 43rd year. 5 AED's have been deployed at our parks where sports associations utilize our amenities.

Dan Gladish, Building Official, congratulated Tom Cromer who tested and earned Chief Building Official certification. Tom has been with the city for 12 years. With Tom's Chief Building Official certification, the City of Medina Building Department is 100% self sufficient which is

very rare as typically only big cities such as Cleveland, Columbus and Cincinnati are self-sufficient.

Andrew Dutton, Planning and Community Development Director, had no report.

Notices, communications and petitions

Liquor Permit:

Mr. Shields moved not to object to the renewal of a D1, D2 and D6 permit to Styx Acquisition LLC, 275 Forest Meadows Dr., Medina., seconded by Mr. Simpson. Motion passed with the yeas of C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, P. Rose and J. Shields.

Unfinished Business

There is none.

Introduction of visitors

3rd. Graders from Northrup Elementary – Career Capstone Project
Colleen Wehrley, Teacher

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: Res. 57-25, Ord. 58-25, Ord. 59-25, Res. 60-25. The roll was called and motion passed with the yeas of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields and C. Simmons.

Res. 57-25

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to submit a grant application to the Ohio Emergency Management Agency for the 2024 Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grant for the Community Development Department. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 057-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dutton stated the purpose is to use the funds for new Community Development Department permitting code enforcement software to cover up to 75% of the first year set up and software license. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 057-25 passed by the yeas of J. Coyne, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons and D. Simpson.

Ord. 58-25

An Ordinance authorizing a water service connection at 5784 Wadsworth Road located in Montville Township. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 058-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Patrick stated this is a property owner request. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 058-25 passed by the yeas of R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Ord. 59-25

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to advertise for competitive bids and to award a contract to the successful bidder for the South Court Water Main Loop Project (Job #1181).

Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 059-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 059-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Patrick stated this will extend a waterline from the Southport Water Tower south to Highpoint Drive. It will allow us to have redundancy in how we fill up the South Court water tower and it will also service the restaurants and the Acme facility there. Emergency is needed as we would like this done before Acme opens in July. 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. 059-25 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire and P. Rose.

Res. 60-25

A Resolution donating Dell computers and Meraki cameras to the Medina City Schools. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 060-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mayor Hanwell explained the computers were out of life for usage at City Hall as well as the cameras but the schools still can use. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 060-25 passed by the yea votes of C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, and P. Rose. J. Shields abstained.

Council comments.

Mr. Simpson asked everyone to be kind to each other.

Mr. Simmons stated he had the opportunity to spend a couple hours with Chief Walters in the Fire Dept. as he provided a tour of the facilities and the new bunk areas. Talked about the new goals and objectives of the department. Very pleased Chief Walters reached his goals of having 24/7 coverage for the benefit of all the citizens of Medina. Congratulations Chief Walters.

Mr. Rose congratulated Tom Cromer. Paul stated he had helped build the original Jump Park with his three kids. He is happy they are keeping it going.

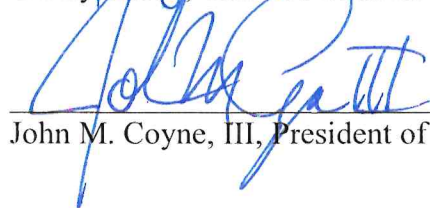
Mr. Coyne commented on March Madness wished all good luck with their brackets.

Adjournment.

There being no further business, the Council meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.



Kathy Patton, Clerk of Council



John M. Coyne, III, President of Council