MEDINA CITY COUNCIL Monday, April 14, 2025

#### Call to Order:

Medina City Council met in regular session on Monday, April 14, 2025 at Medina City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m., by President of Council Pro-Tem Jim Shields, who also led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Roll Call:**

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

Also present were the following members of the Administration: 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. Simpson moved that the minutes from the regular meeting on March 24, 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 N. DiSalvo, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, and D. Simpson.

## **Reports of Standing Committees:**

**Finance Committee**: Mr. Shields 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 stated they had a meeting this evening where updates were given from Police Chief, Fire Chief and the Service Director.

**Special Legislation Committee**: Mr. Rose had no report. Presented the report to council for the previous Ad Hoc.

Streets & Sidewalks Committee: Ms. Haire was absent.

**Water & Utilities Committee**: Mr. Simmons had no report. He stated there is a Utility Rate Review committee on Monday, May 19<sup>th</sup> to address the potential increases from Avon Lake Water.

Emerging Technologies Committee: Ms. DiSalvo had no report.

#### **Requests for Council Action:**

Finance Committee

25-076-4/14 - Budget Amendments

25-077-4/14 - Increase Exp. Rocco Masonry - Service Dept.

25-078-4/14 - Cooperative Purchase 2025 Ford Cab & Chassis - Service Dept.

25-079-4/14 - Professional Services Agreement - T&M - Economic Development

25-080-4/14 – 2nd Amendment to Management Agreement – Medina Municipal Airport

25-081-4/14 - Grant Application - USA Water Polo Grant - MCRC

25-082-4/14 - Grant Application - T-Mobile Hometown Grant - Parks

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25-083-4/14 – Increase Exp. Holtz Industries – Service Dept.
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25-087-4/14 - Preliminary Legislation - ODOT Urban Paving of SR 3 & SR 57

25-088-4/14 – Medina Municipal Court Renovation – GMP No. 3 – Ruhlin

25-089-4/14 – Amend Code, Stormwater Ordinances

25-090-4/14 - Grant Application - Community Project Funding - State Rd., Phase 2

25-091-4/14 - Grant Application - Community Project Funding - Medina Municipal Airport

25-092-4/14 - Amend S&B 31.04 (B) - Extend Employee Training Max 12 Weeks

## **Reports of Municipal Officers:**

**John Coyne III, Acting Mayor**, Mr. Coyne reported that he attended the Medina County Children's Center Annual Community Pinwheel Walk for Child Abuse Prevention. 495 pinwheels where put out which represents the number of child abuse or neglect cases in Medina County. John stated compared to year 2023 there were over 500 and so the number is headed in the right direction but again if there is one child abuse case in Medina that is one too many.

Last week there was a house fire at 653 West Liberty St., a six-unit building used for apartments. There was one fatality due to the fire. There were no staff members injured. Fire is under investigation. Prayers to the victim's family.

Congratulations to council on the great job they do throughout the year.

**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 stated that Barb Dzur is the America 250 chairperson for the City of Medina. The city will be commemorating Paul Revere's Ride for the America 250 kickoff. We will be hosting 2 Lights for Tomorrow, a nationwide initiative to commemorate what happened on the night of April 18, 1775 that became the beginning of the Revolutionary War. Medina citizens and visitors are invited to bring lawn chairs and gather with their lanterns in the Medina square this Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 p.m. Residents are also asked to join the nation in leaving two lights burning in their homes through the night of April 18<sup>th</sup> to help commemorate the ride. Opportunity to complete some type of community service project on Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup>. The Medina library during the week of April 14<sup>th</sup> will host a craft project for children where they will make their own lantern to bring to the square on the 18<sup>th</sup>.

Chief Kinney, Police Department, Chief had no report.

Nino Piccoli, Service Director, Jim Shields congratulated Nino Piccoli as he was recently

<sup>25-084-4/14 –</sup> Increase Exp. Environmental Equip. Sales – Service Dept.

<sup>25-085-4/14 -</sup> Bids, 2025 Equipment & General Pavement Services - Service Dept.

<sup>25-086-4/14 –</sup> Bids, Job #1151 US 42 Resurfacing & Pedestrian Safety Improvements

appointed as a Sharon Township Trustee.

Nino stated they are going to pave West Friendship from North Court Street to Medina St. The yard waste program started this week and will run through the middle of November.

**Patrick Patton, City Engineer,** Patrick stated the stabilization of East Reagan Parkway should be done by the end of this week. The Municipal Courthouse project is underway and the abatement should be complete by Friday and the demolition should be complete by the end of next week.

Chief Walters, Fire Department, had no report.

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

Dan Gladish, Building Official, had no report.

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

## Notices, communications and petitions

There were none.

#### **Unfinished Business**

There is none.

## **Introduction of visitors**

Stacey Maleckar is the Superintendent for the Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities spoke on the mobile universal changing stations. Thanked all for their support stating it makes a huge impact.

They served a little over 1,500 Medina County citizens last year that were eligible for services from MCBDD.

Angela from Main Street Medina commented on the mobile changing station, expressing how they are such a game changer and welcomed by many in the community.

# Introduction and consideration of ordinances and resolutions.

Mr. Simpson moved to suspend the rules requiring three readings on the following ordinances and resolutions, seconded by Mr. Rose: Ord. 61-25, Res. 62-25, Ord. 63-25, Ord. 64-25, Ord. 66-25, Res. 67-25, Ord. 68-25, Ord. 69-25, Ord. 70-25, Res. 71-25, Res. 72-25. The roll was called and motion passed with the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, and N. DiSalvo.

## Ord. 61-25

An Ordinance amending Section VI (C)(5) of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations of the City of Medina relative to Parts of Examination for Lateral Transfer Appointments for the Police Department. Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 061-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. Chief Kinney stated this is a rule change within the Civil Service Rules and are simply requested to be able to treat lateral candidates as we would new candidates that come into appointments. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 061-25 passed by the

yea votes of J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, N. DiSalvo, and P. Rose.

#### Res. 62-25

A Resolution authorizing the Medina Police Department to apply for the 2025 State Violent Crime Reduction Funding Grant and to accept the grant if it is awarded. Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 062-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. Chief Kinney stated this grant is for equipment for our officers that participate on the Medina County Multi-Jurisdictional SWAT Team, also requesting approval of the new vendor. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 062-25 passed by the yea votes of C. Simmons, D. Simpson, N. DiSalvo, P. Rose and J. Shields.

#### Ord. 63-25

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a License Agreement between the City of Medina Community Recreation Center and Cleveland Clinic Children's Hospital for Rehabilitation, for use of a portion of the leisure pool for children's rehabilitation. Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 063-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. Jansen stated this ordinance is to allow the Cleveland Clinic Children's Hospital to use our leisure pool for one full hour time block weekly billed at a monthly rate of \$875.00. The emergency is requested as the proposed license agreement term is May 1, 2025 through December 31, 2027. Mr. Simpson moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 063-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of D. Simpson, N. DiSalvo, P. Rose, J. Shields and C. Simmons. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 063-25 passed by the yea votes of C. Simmons, D. Simpson, N. DiSalvo, P. Rose and J. Shields.

#### Ord. 64-25

An Ordinance authorizing the purchase of a replacement vault restroom for Roscoe Ewing Park. Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 064-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. Jansen stated this is to purchase a single vault concrete precast restroom to replace the existing restroom at Roscoe Ewing Park using the Sourcewell purchasing program. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 064-25 passed by the yea votes of N. DiSalvo, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, and D. Simpson.

## Ord. 65-25

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a Preliminary Engineering Agreement between the Wheeling and Lake Eric Railway Company and the City of Medina, Ohio pertaining to the US-42 Resurfacing Project, #1151. Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 065-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Simpson moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 065-25, 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, D. Simpson, and N. DiSalvo. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 065-25 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, N. DiSalvo, and P. Rose.

#### Ord. 66-25

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an LPA Federal Local-Let Project

Agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for the US-42 Resurfacing and Pedestrian Bumpout Project. Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 066-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. Patrick Patton stated this will resurface SR42 from just north of Homestead to Lafayette Rd. We will bid and manage the project. Emergency is requested as we would like to bid this asap. Mr. Simpson moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 066-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of C. Simmons, D. Simpson, N. DiSalvo, P. Rose and J. Shields. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 066-25 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, N. DiSalvo, P. Rose, J. Shields and C. Simmons.

## Res. 67-25

A Resolution congratulating Anna Holthouse on receiving the Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest award in Girl Scouting. Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 067-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 067-25 passed by the yea votes of N. DiSalvo, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, and D. Simpson.

## Ord. 68-25

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into the Second Amendment to Management Agreement for the Medina Municipal Airport, pertaining to the Management Agreement with Cold Stream Air Services. Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 068-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Simpson moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 068-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Huber stated the amendment allows for the payment of UH lease rental payments that are currently sent to the City of Medina to be paid over to Cold Stream Air Services which is the entity that operates our airport. Emergency is requested as this is to have been in effect as of January 1, 2025. 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, and N. DiSalvo. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 068-25 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, N. DiSalvo, and P. Rose.

## Ord. 69-25

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 209-24, passed November 25, 2025. (Amendments to 2025 Budget) Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 069-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Dirham stated these are adjustments for the passthrough of the wellness funds and for the 250<sup>th</sup> celebration and the court project. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 069-25 passed by the yea votes of C. Simmons, D. Simpson, N. DiSalvo, P. Rose and J. Shields.

#### Ord. 70-25

An Ordinance amending Section 31.04 (B) of the Salaries and Benefits Code of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to training periods. Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 070-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Coyne stated they discussed this with Laureen, and there are people taking over certain positions and her position is one of them. This will allow for a twelve-week training period in some instances. Mr. Simpson moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 070-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of D. Simpson, N.

DiSalvo, P. Rose, J. Shields and C. Simmons. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 070-25 passed by the yea votes of N. DiSalvo, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, and D. Simpson.

#### Res. 71-25

A Resolution authorizing a FY26 Community Project Grant Application for the Medina Municipal Airport. Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 071-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. Ms. Marshall stated this is an entrance access road and apron project. This is estimated at \$2,680,000.00 with a local match of \$134,000.00. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 071-25 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, and N. DiSalvo.

#### Res. 72-25

A Resolution authorizing a FY26 Community Project Grant Application for the State Road, Phase 2 Reconstruction Project. Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 072-25, seconded by Mr. Rose. Ms. Marshall stated this is similar to the last resolution this will be for State Road Phase 2 reconstruction project the section between Progress Dr. South going north to Birch Hill and total estimated cost is \$2,690,000.00 with a local match of \$772,400.00. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 072-25 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, N. DiSalvo, and P. Rose.

## Council comments.

Mr. Simpson congratulated Nino Piccoli on his appointment. Be kind to one another.

Mr. Simmons attended the Main Street Medina Coffee and Cars event on the square this weekend. He thanked all the citizens that came to the Ward 1 and Ward 2 community meeting.

Ms. DiSalvo congratulated Nino Piccoli to his appointment. Natalie also stated that Anna Holthouse was selected as a member of the 2025 Spring Leadership Ball.

Mr. Rose congratulated Nino Piccoli on his appointment. Wished everyone a Happy Blessed Easter.

Mr. Shields also wished Congratulations to Nino Piccoli.

# Adjournment.

There being no further business, the Council meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Kathy Patton, Clerk of Council

Jim Shields, President of Council Pro-Tem