

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL

Monday, June 9, 2025

Call to Order:

Medina City Council met in regular session on Monday, June 9, 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, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons and D. Simpson.

Also present were the following members of the Administration: Mayor Hanwell, Greg Huber, Keith Dirham, Patrick Patton, Nino Piccoli, Chief Kinney, Dan Gladish, Chief Walters, Kathy Patton, Jansen Wehrley, Jarrod Fry, Andrew Dutton and Barb Dzur.

Reading of Minutes:

Mr. Shields moved that the minutes from the regular meeting on May 27, 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 N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

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 had no report.

Special Legislation Committee: Mr. Rose had no report.

Streets & Sidewalks Committee: Ms. Haire had no report.

Water & Utilities Committee: Mr. Simmons stated they met prior to finance to discuss recommendations from the Utility Rate Review Committee meeting.

Emerging Technologies Committee: Ms. DiSalvo has a meeting scheduled on June 25th to discuss creating a new Communications Dept.

Requests for Council Action:

Finance

25-126-6/9 – Budget Amendments

25-127-6/9 – Advance Request

25-128-6/9 – Advance Request

25-129-6/9 – Transfer Request – Cable TV Fund

25-130-6/9 – Partnership Agreement – PY25 CHIP Program

25-131-6/9 – Expenditure / New Vendor – Harold E. Schueler – Law Dept.

25-132-6/9 – Expenditure – Central Square – Police Dept.

25-133-6/9 – Authorize Mayor to Endorse Insurance Check – Grants

25-134-6/9 – Purchase 2025 Freightliner Sanitation Truck

25-135-6/9 – 2026 Tax Budget

Reports of Municipal Officers:

Dennis Hanwell, Mayor, reported he and Mr. Shields attended a Miracle League ballfield game. The Stevenson, Thomas and Joe Lincoln Foundations previously contributed to pay for astroturfing the outfield. They also helped financially to support lighting for the field.

Square events:

Farmer's Market 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. started May 17th and continues every Saturday thereafter.

Medina Community Band Concerts each Friday of June and July 8 p.m. weather permitting.

4th annual Juneteenth event is Saturday, June 14th 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Ch.8 Kenny Crumpton is the MC and Ch. 3 Danita Harris is the featured speaker. There will be food, music and vendors.

Cars & Coffee Event is June 15th 8 a.m. – noon.

Opera under the stars is June 21st 7-9 p.m.

Keith Dirham, Finance Director, Keith stated there are items on the agenda he will discuss when they get there.

Greg Huber, Law Department, had no report.

Kimberly Marshall, Economic Development Director, Kimberly stated work started on the former Yost Sunoco site pumping out underground tanks.

Chief Kinney, Police Department, had no report.

Nino Piccoli, Service Director, Nino stated June 11th a paving contractor will be resurfacing Wadsworth Road from Lafayette to Springbrook.

Patrick Patton, City Engineer, Patrick announced they are starting the waterline replacement project on West Liberty. Traffic will be maintained throughout the project with no parking on the north side of West Liberty during that construction. This should take 2 to 3 months.

Chief Walters, Fire Department, had no report.

Jansen Wehrley, Parks and Recreation Director, Jansen stated Ord. 115-25 on the agenda tonight is to authorize a purchase order to Medina City Schools for renovations at the Rec Center and he wants to make sure the public is aware that the locker rooms will be under construction July 7th – August 8th. All patrons will be able to use the physical education locker rooms connected to the pool.

Dan Gladish, Building Official, had no report.

Barbara Dzur, Planning and Community Development Director, had no report.

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: Res. 107-25, Ord. 108-25, Ord. 109-25, Ord. 110-25, Ord. 111-25, Ord. 112-25, Ord. 113-25, Ord. 114-25, Ord. 115-25, Ord. 116-25. The roll was called and the motion passed by the yeas of R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and N. DiSalvo.

Res. 107-25

A Resolution authorizing an application for grant assistance from the Medina County Drug Abuse Commission (MCDAC) for funding to support the Medina Police Department School Resource Officer Program. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 107-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Chief Kinney explained this supports their School Resource Officers as well as the County Drug Task Force. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 107-25 passed by the yeas of P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, and R. Haire.

Ord. 108-25

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 76-25, passed April 28, 2025, relative to the purchase of a dump body from Henderson Products, Inc. for the Street Department. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 108-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Nino explained this is to cover the freight charge of \$1,147.00 and need to amend the ordinance by \$1,500.00. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 108-25 passed by the yeas of J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire and P. Rose.

Ord. 109-25

An Ordinance authorizing the increase of the expenditure to Wintrow Construction Corporation for the Engineering Department. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 109-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Patrick explained that they have experienced a rash of emergency rail line breaks and repairs this year. This ordinance will cover the cost of the emergency repairs to date and includes \$14,600 for future 2025 repairs. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 109-25 passed by the yeas of C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose and J. Shields.

Ord. 110-25

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. 110-25,

seconded by Mr. Simpson. Keith explained 2 items from the Police Dept. One is to replace a purchase order from 2024 that was closed and the other is to pass through a donation. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 110-25 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields and C. Simmons.

Ord. 111-25

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

Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 111-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Keith explained one is a grant project, and 2 for bond anticipation notes for the court project. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 111-25 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons and D. Simpson.

Ord. 112-25

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

Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 112-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Keith stated the Cable TV fund used to be self-supporting on the amount of money that we brought in from the cable franchise fee but as that has fallen off and this is a transfer of money that came back from RITA on reconciliation. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 112-25 passed by the yea votes of N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Res. 113-25

A Resolution authorizing the filing of an application for grant assistance with the Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC). Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 113-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Patrick stated they located a grant that they think would apply to their railroad to replace 1,500 linear feet of rail. This is an 80/20 grant, if successful he would have to do a transfer to cover the city portion of cost. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 113-25 passed by the yea votes of R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and N. DiSalvo.

Ord. 114-25

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Partnership Agreement between Medina County, Ohio and the Cities of Brunswick, Medina and Wadsworth to file an application for grant assistance with the Ohio Department of Development (ODOD) for a PY2025 Community Housing Impact and Preservation Program (CHIP) Grant. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 114-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 114-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Barb Dzur stated they are partnering with the County as with Brunswick, and Wadsworth for a CHIP Grant. This will bring in more money for the county. Emergency clause is needed as the grant is due. 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, N. DiSalvo, and R. Haire. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 114-25 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire and P. Rose.

Ord. 115-25

An Ordinance authorizing an expenditure to Medina City Schools for renovations of the Medina Community Recreation Center's main locker rooms. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 115-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields will abstain from voting since it involves his employer. Mr. Wehrley explained this project consists of demo and installation of new tile flooring, shower and restroom partitions in the locker rooms at the rec center. The rec center will be paying 100% of this with estimated cost of \$150,000.00. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 115-25 passed by the yea votes of C. Simmons, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, and P. Rose. 1- Abst/JS

Ord. 116-25

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to accept two easements necessary for the Medina Street Bridge Project. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 116-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 116-25, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Patrick explained that in order to complete the replacement of the Medina Street Bridge they need to acquire 3 easements. Emergency clause is needed to record the easements and move forward as soon as possible to move forward with the project. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields and C. Simmons. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 116-25 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, N. DiSalvo, R. Haire, P. Rose, J. Shields, C. Simmons and D. Simpson.

Council comments.

Mr. Simpson commented to remember to be kind to one another.

Ms. Haire stated she has noticed the amount of traffic that occurs in the city and how people are blocking the intersections and blocking under lights because they want to get through the light. Let's be more aware of where we are when driving through intersections so that we don't block them. She also sees too many people stopping on railroad tracks.

Mr. Simmons stated the Friends of the Cemetery will be holding their annual Historical Walk on Saturday, June 21 at 1 p.m.

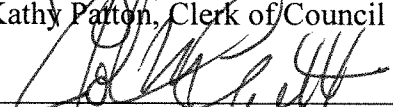
Ms. DiSalvo attended the Kid Fest and Teen Fest and gave praise to Chief Kinney on his officers that were there. To Chief Walters, the kids loved working the Fire Extinguisher!

Adjournment.

There being no further business, the Council meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.



Kathy Patton, Clerk of Council



John Coyne III, President of Council

