

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday, October 10, 2023

Call to Order:

Medina City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, October 10, 2023 at Medina City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mr. Coyne, Council President, who also led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

The roll was called with the following members of Council, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, B. Lamb, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne. P. Rose was absent.

Also present were the following members of the Administration: Mayor Dennis Hanwell, Keith Dirham, Patrick Patton, Chief Kinney, Jansen Wehrley, and Andrew Dutton.

Minutes:

Mr. Shields moved that the minutes from the regular meeting on Monday, September 25, 2023, as prepared and submitted by the Clerk be approved, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and passed by the yea votes of J. Hazeltine, B. Lamb, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and R. Haire.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Finance Committee: Mr. Coyne stated the Finance Committee met prior to Council and will meet again in 2 weeks.

Public Properties Committee: Mr. Shields had no report.

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

Special Legislation Committee: Mr. Lamb had no report.

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

Water & Utilities Committee: Ms. Hazeltine had no report.

Emerging Technologies Committee: Mr. Rose was absent.

Requests for Council Action:

Finance

23-188-10/10 – Then & Now- Central Square Technologies – Police Dept.

23-189-10/10 – Budget Amendment

23-190-10/10 – Transfer Request – Parking Fund

23-191-10/10 – PY2022 CHIP Rehab 13 Plymouth St. – Amend Ord. 132-23

23-192-10/10 – Expenditure – Technology Engineering Group – IT

23-193-10/10 – Resolution Accepting Amounts & Rates of Budget Commission

23-194-10/10 – Amend Code, Ord. 945.02 – Park Restrictions (g)

23-195-10/10 – Increase Exp. Davis Tree Farm – Forestry

23-196-10/10 – Expenditure – HSH Construction – Emergency Water Line

23-197-10/10 – MOU w/ Medina County – Granger Road Water Line

23-198-10/10 – New Ordinance – Prohibit Camping Upon Public Property

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23-199-10/10 – Bids – Job #924 – Spring Grove Cemetery Road Improvements
23-200-10/10 – Grant Application – 2024 Body Worn Camera Grant Program
23-201-10/10 – RFP’s – Non-Emergent Transport from Nursing Homes
23-202-10/10 – Waiving Certain Uncollectible Utility Accounts
23-203-10/10 – Repeal Ord. 123-23 – Reagan Skatepark Rehabilitation
23-204-10/10 – Health Insurance Renewal – Medical Mutual of Ohio
23-205-10/10 - Increase P.O. 2023-14999 – CHIP Rehab

Reports of Municipal Officers:

Dennis Hanwell, Mayor,

- A. Friday, October 6th ribbon cutting for a new business in Medina – The Inter-State Studio and Publishing Company, lower level of 281 S. Court St.
- B. From Nino - City Auction will be held at the City Garage 781 W. Smith Rd. on October 28. Preview at 9 a.m. and starts at 10 a.m. Check City Website www.Medinaoh.org for the list of available items.
- C. Leaf Program will be soon, possibly the week of October 16th, 2023. Street Department will monitor the amounts of leaves placed at curbs throughout the city and base the start date accordingly. Leaf trucks have been serviced and are ready to be placed into service.

Keith Dirham, Finance Director, Mr. Dirham explained Issue 17 on the ballot this November, noting that a yes vote will be to adopt the ordinance that Council passed which is to adopt the culling program per Council’s outline and a no vote would be to reject that ordinance.

Kimberly Marshall, Economic Development Director, was not in attendance.

Greg Huber, Law Department, was not in attendance.

Chief Kinney, Police Department, had no report.

Chief Walters, Fire Department, was not in attendance.

Jansen Wehrley, Parks and Recreation Director, stated that the dog park at Ray Mellert Park will open Thursday, October 12th, the Memorial Dog Park will remain open but will eventually close November 20th. The Reagan Park Skatepark replacement is underway. The new ramps are scheduled to be installed in March of 2024. Registration is now open for the Youth Basketball Program for boys and girls at the Medina Rec.

Dan Gladish, Building Official, was not in attendance.

Nino Piccoli, Service Director, was not in attendance.

Patrick Patton, City Engineer, noted on West Smith Road they are currently finishing the driveways, sidewalks and landscaping on the western half and should be completed in the next few

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weeks and then will get the other half. Fire Station #1 replacement of parking lot – phase 1 is completed and open to public for use.

Andrew Dutton, Planning and Community Development Director, noted that the City in conjunction with the County Parks Department has been conducting a Multi-Use Path Plan and will be holding a public meeting regarding the plans and drafts on November 8th at 6 p.m. here at City Hall.

Notices, communications and petitions:

There are none.

Unfinished Business:

There was none.

Introduction of Visitors:

Nathan Case resides at 513 E. Washington, spoke in favor of the hunters and passage of Issue 17.

Katie Zimmer with the Ohio Auditor of State's Office spoke on behalf of Auditor of State Keith Faber to present the City of Medina and Fiscal Officer Keith Dirham with an Ohio Auditor of State Award with Distinction.

Loretta Kreiger resides at 55 Circle Dr. spoke on how the deer ordinance was supposedly modeled after the North Royalton deer culling program and the safety differences.

Bill Kuhar resides at 875 Gayer Dr. spoke in favor of bow hunting.

Glen Bergdorf resides at 1011 Oak Street. Is against bow hunting in the city.

Jeff Mc Lackey resides 1021 South Court Street expressed that there is a deer problem in the City of Medina. Science speaks for itself that if nothing is done we are going to have a much more serious problem in a couple of years.

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. Ord. 157-23, Ord. 158-23, Ord. 159-23, Ord. 160-23, Ord. 161-23, Res. 162-23, Res. 163-23, Ord. 164-23, Ord. 165-23. The roll was called and the motion passed with the yea votes of B. Lamb, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire and J. Hazeltine.

Ord. 157-23

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to solicit Requests for Proposals (RFP's) for drug screening and associated professional services for the employees of the City of Medina. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 157-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mayor Hanwell stated this is annually done, for pre-hires, CDL drivers, and post-accident testing. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 157-23 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, and B. Lamb.

Ord. 158-23

An Ordinance amending Sections 31.02(B)(3) and 31.05 of the Salaries and Benefits Code of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to the Account Clerk positions in the Finance Department.

Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 158-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Keith stated there are two clerks at the front desks in Billing. One is full-time and one is part-time. This will make both full-time. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 158-23 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, B. Lamb, and J. Shields.

Ord. 159-23

An Ordinance amending Section 917.04 (A) of the codified ordinances of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to the Water Rates.

Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 159-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Keith stated this will increase water rates over the next two years to match the increase that we are receiving from Avon Lake Municipal Utilities. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 159-23 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, B. Lamb, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Ord. 160-23

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 80-23, passed April 24, 2023, relative to the contract with Rea & Associates for the preparation of the City's CAFR.

Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 160-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 160-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Keith Dirham stated the costs of the 2022 GAAP Conversion was \$2,600 above the contract amount of \$26,000 due to the requirement to implement GASB 87 which deals with leases. Emergency is needed because work has already been done. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, B. Lamb, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 160-23 passed by the yea votes of J. Hazeltine, B. Lamb, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and R. Haire.

Ord. 161-23

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 221-22, passed December 12, 2022. (Amendments to 2023 Budget)

Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 161-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 161-23 passed by the yea votes of B. Lamb, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire and J. Hazeltine.

Res. 162-23

A Resolution establishing an ad hoc committee to be known as the Medina Municipal Courthouse Architect Review Committee.

Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 162-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Coyne stated there needs to be a committee to discuss and review the architects and decide which one will be chosen to prepare the plans for the build out of the Municipal Court at the 1969 building. The committee will be made up of the mayor, council members, the city engineer, a municipal court judge, and municipal court manager. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 162-23 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, and B. Lamb.

Res. 163-23

A Resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission, authorizing the necessary tax levies, and certifying them to the County Auditor. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 163-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 163-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Emergency clause is needed every year because the way the timing works. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, B. Lamb, and J. Shields. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 163-23 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, B. Lamb, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Ord. 164-23

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. 164-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 164-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Keith stated this is for the Computer Aided Dispatch for the Police Department, it is a subscription for the year but it is a then and now because the timing started before we got it passed. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of R. Haire, J. Hazeltine, B. Lamb, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 164-23 passed by the yea votes of J. Hazeltine, B. Lamb, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and R. Haire.

Ord. 165-23

An Ordinance authorizing the Finance Director to make certain fund transfers. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 165-23, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Keith stated this is an annual transfer that they do with the parking fund revenues since they are not sufficient to cover the cost of the parking. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 165-23 passed by the yea votes of B. Lamb, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, R. Haire and J. Hazeltine.

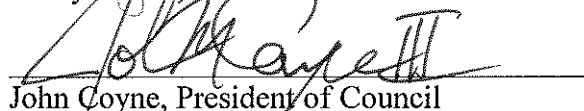
Council comments.

Mr. Lamb commented about people disagreeing and that is okay.

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 8:18 pm.



Kathy Patton, Clerk of Council



John Coyne, President of Council

