MEDINA CITY COUNCIL Monday, March 27, 2023

Call to Order:

Medina City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 27, 2023 at Medina City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Council President Pro-Tem Jim Shields, who led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

The roll was called with the following members of Council, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and R. Haire. J. Hazeltine was absent. John Coyne was in attendance serving as Acting Mayor.

Also present were the following members of the Administration: Greg Huber, Keith Dirham, Nino Piccoli, Patrick Patton, Chief Kinney, Andrew Dutton, Kimberly Marshall, and Jansen Wehrley.

Minutes:

Mr. Simpson moved that the minutes from the regular meeting on Monday, March 13, 2023, as prepared and submitted by the Clerk be approved, seconded by Mr. Rose. The roll was called and passed by the yea votes of B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and R. Haire.

Reports of Standing Committees:

<u>Finance Committee:</u> Mr. Shields stated the Finance Committee met prior to the Council Meeting and will meet again on April 10, 2023.

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

<u>Public Properties Committee:</u> Mr. Shields stated that Public Properties met before the Finance Committee today. There was one item on that agenda that will be moving out of Public Properties onto our Finance Committee.

<u>Special Legislation Committee:</u> Mr. Lamb has scheduled two meetings, May 10th at 5:00 p.m. update the Parking Policy, May 15th at 5:00 p.m. consideration of prohibiting feeding of deer, and wild animals.

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

Water & Utilities Committee: Ms. Hazeltine was absent.

Emerging Technologies Committee: Mr. Rose stated the ETAC will meet on March 30th at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall.

Requests for Council Action:

Finance

23-075-3/27 – Budget Amendments

23-076-3/27 - MCDAC Grant Application - School Resource Officers

23-077-3/27 - Accept Funding / Resolution of Support - NOACA - State Road

23-078-3/27 - Storm Water Operation & Maintenance Agreement - Bat Commerce LLC

23-079-3/27 - Amend Code 141.01 - Levels of Authority for Purchases

23-080-3/27 - MOU - City / Liberty View / Medina City Development Corp.

23-081-3/27 - Natatorium Repair Project - MCRC

Health, Safety & Sanitation Committee

23-073-3/13 - Amend S&B 31.05 - Add one (1) Full-Time Dispatcher - Police

Water & Utilities Committee

23-074-3/13 – Water Rates and Related Items

Reports of Municipal Officers:

John Coyne III, Acting Mayor, offered condolences to Mr. Rose and his family for the passing of his father. Prayers to Mrs. Parnell-Cavey as she was involved in an accident over the weekend traveling to Myrtle Beach and is currently in ICU. Laura is a former council member of Ward 1. Recognized that Alternative Paths is here tonight to give a CIT Award to our officers here. Congratulated Council for the great job that they do.

Keith Dirham, Finance Director, Echoed his condolences to Mr. Rose and his family. Echoed prayers as well to the Parnell-Cavey family. Keith stated the City of Medina has a municipal income tax, we contract with RITA. www.rita-ohio.com Please remember to file if you are a resident of the city.

Kimberly Marshall, Economic Development Director, had no report.

Greg Huber, Law Department, had no report.

Chief Kinney, Police Department, had no report.

Chief Walters, Fire Department, had no report.

Jansen Wehrley, Parks and Recreation Director, reminded residents in the southwest quadrant of the city that Ohio Edison is handing out door hanger notifications for utility tree pruning.

Dan Gladish, Building Official, had no report.

Nino Piccoli, Service Director, had no report.

Patrick Patton, City Engineer, had no report.

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

Joe Toth, LST Director, LST in the month of February had 542 ambulance calls for the City of Medina and for all three entities there were 818 ambulance calls.

Notices, communications and petitions:

There were none.

Unfinished Business:

There was none.

Introduction of Visitors:

Gail Houk - Alternative Paths

Gail presented Medina Police Department with the 2023 Crisis Intervention Training Agency of the Year Award.

Introduction and consideration of ordinances and resolutions.

Motion to suspend the Rules requiring three readings on the following ordinances and resolutions: Ord. 59-23, Ord. 60-23, Ord. 61-23, Ord. 62-23, Ord. 63-23, Ord. 64-23, Ord. 65-23, Ord. 66-23, Ord. 67-23, Ord. 68-23. Mr. Simpson moved to suspend the rules requiring three readings on tonight's ordinances and resolutions, seconded by Mr. Rose. The roll was called and passed by the yea votes P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, R. Haire, and B. Lamb.

Ord. 59-23

An Ordinance amending Section 1 of Ordinance No. 203-22, passed November 14, 2022 relative to the West Smith Reconstruction, Phase 4 Project. Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 059-23, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Patton stated the West Smith Road project is ongoing. During the course of the project, the county has asked to increase the scope of the amount of work they are doing and we need to amend this ordinance to increase the amount available. 100% of this cost is being paid by Medina County. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 059-23 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, R. Haire, B. Lamb, and P. Rose.

Ord. 60-23

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. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 060-23, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Simpson moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 060-23, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Dirham will discuss this ordinance and the next ordinance together. Keith stated these two ordinances are in reference to a payment they are now making for the Municipal Clerk Court Offices that has been in dispute for some time and that is why a then and now was needed. The original purchase order they had for this lapsed over the course of this dispute. It has now been resolved and the emergency clause is needed for payment. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of D. Simpson, R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, and J. Shields. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 060-23 passed by the yea votes of R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Ord. 61-23

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. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 061-23, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Simpson moved

that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 061-23, seconded by Mr. Rose. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, R. Haire, B. Lamb, and P. Rose. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 061-23 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, and J. Shields.

Ord. 62-23

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Tenant Based Rental Assistance Agreement with the Medina Metropolitan Housing Authority (MMHA) for the PY 2022 Community Housing Impact and Preservation Program (CHIP). Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 062-23, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Simpson moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 062-23, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Dutton stated it is a rental assistance program providing first month rent, security deposits and utility deposits to income eligible households. The dollar amount is \$16,000. Emergency clause is requested as the funds are available and we would like to use them as soon as possible. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and R. Haire. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 062-23 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, R. Haire, and B. Lamb.

Ord. 63-23

An Ordinance authorizing the expenditure of \$50,000 to Lake County Sewer Co. for the Street Department. Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 063-23, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Piccoli stated this will allow the Service Department to continue the efforts and repairs to our storm sewer infrastructure. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 063-23 passed by the yea votes of R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Ord. 64-23

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Wichert Insurance for the City's Property and General Liability Insurance for the period of April 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024. Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 064-23, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Simpson moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 064-23, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Coyne stated annually the city takes bids for city property and general liability coverage insurance. The emergency clause is requested because this policy goes into effect on April 1st. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and R. Haire. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 064-23 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, R. Haire, and B. Lamb.

Ord. 65-23

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Jackson Dieken Insurance for the City's Cyber Security Liability Insurance for the period of April 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024. Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 065-23, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Simpson moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 065-23, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Coyne stated this is for the city's Cyber Security Liability Insurance Coverage and the premium on this one is about \$24,000,

emergency is requested because it goes into effect on April 1st. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, R. Haire, B. Lamb, and P. Rose. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 065-23 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, and J. Shields.

Ord. 66-23

An Ordinance adopting a Sexual Abuse and Molestation Prevention Policy for the Medina Community Recreation Center. Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 066-23, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Wehrley stated the Rec Center along with the law director, worked to develop this policy with the insurance company in an effort to minimize their risk at the facility. Policy outlines training, reporting, hiring procedures for those individuals that have close contact with youth. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 066-23 passed by the yea votes of R. Haire, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson.

Ord. 67-23

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 221-22, passed December 12, 2022. (Amendments to 2023 Budget) Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 067-23, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Dirham stated they received a donation and in order to expend that money they need it approved by council. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 067-23 passed by the yea votes of B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and R. Haire.

Ord. 68-23

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to accept a Limited Warranty Deed for the donation of 10.1478 acres of land being known as Permanent Parcel Number 028-19D-03-124, from West Creek Conservancy to the City of Medina, Ohio, and to execute all related documents. Mr. Simpson moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 068-23, seconded by Mr. Rose. Mr. Wehrley stated the West Creek Conservancy is a non-profit organization, they asked for us to support a grant application to Clean Ohio for funding to purchase this property on the corner of East Smith Road and Guilford Blvd. We were awarded funding and through assistance we were able to acquire the property. This preserves a key 10-acre parcel of critical flood plain in repairing habitats, also saving rare and native species and ensuring good water quality. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 068-23 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, R. Haire, and B. Lamb.

Council comments.

Mr. Simpson expressed sympathy to the Rose family for their loss. Be kind to one another.

Mr. Rose thanked everyone for their kind words of sympathy and support.

Mr. Lamb expressed his condolences to Paul Rose and his family. Bill also spoke of the passing of his friend Wes Florian.

Mr. Shields spoke of two people that we recently lost who just made life better for Medina Virginia Jeandrevin and Wes Florian. Jim offered his condolences to the Rose Family.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Kathy Patton, Clerk of Council

Jim Shields, President of Council Pro-Tem