

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL

August 24th, 2015

Opening:

Medina City Council met in regular, open session on Monday, August 24th, 2015. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President of Council John Coyne. Eagle Scout Andrew Root from Troop 5051 at Medina United Methodist Church led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

The roll was called with the following members of Council present B. Hilberg, M. Kolesar, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Also present were the following members of the Administration: Mayor Dennis Hanwell, Keith Dirham, Greg Huber, Patrick Patton, Chief Berarducci, Chief Painter, Dan Gladish, Nino Piccoli, Jansen Wehrley, Jonathon Mendel and Kimberly Rice-Marshall.

Minutes:

Mr. Shields moved that the minutes from the regular meeting on July 13th, 2015, as prepared and presented by the Clerk be approved, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and the minutes were approved by the yeas of M. Kolesar, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and B. Hilberg.

Reports of Standing Committees:

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

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

Public Properties Committee: Mr. Shields had no report.

Special Legislation Committee: Mr. Lamb had no report.

Streets & Sidewalks Committee: Mr. Simpson had no report.

Water & Utilities Committee: Mr. Kolesar had no report.

Requests for Council Action:

Finance Committee

15-135-8/24 – Budget Amendments

15-136-8/24 – Amend Cod. Ord. 133.01 – Association Memberships

15-137-8/24 – Amend Utility Billing Look-Back Period

15-138-8/24 – Rezone 110 W. Union from R-3 to M-U

15-139-8/24 – Rezone 139 W. Liberty from C-2 to P-F

15-140-8/24 – Create ED & Marketing Associate Position

15-141-8/24 – Transfer Request – #001 to #145

15-142-8/24 – Increase P.O. 2015-597 – HD Supply

Streets & Sidewalks Committee

15-143-8/24 – HB 5 Income Tax Ordinance

Reports of Municipal Officers:

Dennis Hanwell, Mayor, reported the following:

- 1) Welcome back from summer break!
- 2) Healthy Strides - The walks will continue at various county parks with different health professional talks and walks on the second and fourth Saturday of each month starting April 11th and concluding on October 24th. Good exercise, good information, and good way to see the many county parks and the amenities they have to offer. Walks and talks are both done in one hour from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. Park locations will be on healthy Medina Website- www.healthymedina.com or Medina County Parks website- www.medinacountyparks.com
- 3) International Festival- Sat., August 22nd - Well done by Matt and Main Street Medina. Well attended and exceptional family event.
- 4) ORMACO Jazz Concert- September 5th from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., Bobby Selvaggio Jazz Orchestra at Medina Public Square - free concert.
- 5) Life Support Team Citizen Academy - Wednesday evenings starting September 9th thru October 7th, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m at Medina Hospital. Contact LST if interested.
- 6) Tunnel to Towers Race - Medina is one of 9 cities hosting this race in the nation. Our race is Sunday, September 20th, 2015, at 10 a.m. on Public Square.

Keith Dirham, Finance Director, reported that the general fund budgets will be distributed tomorrow and is the last set of budgets for us for the next 5 year plan.

Greg Huber, Law Director, had no report.

Chief Berarducci, Police Chief, had no report.

Kimberly Marshall, Economic Development Director is asking the public to save November 6th 2015 for our Geared for Success Manufacturing showcase being held at Medina County Fair Grounds from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be over 60 manufacturing exhibits representing Medina County manufacturing companies, 3D printing, demos and a mobile welding lab. The mission of this event is to raise awareness and educate residents, students and businesses as to the economic importance and career opportunities for our manufacturing industry. Key note speaker will be Thomas Frey, a senior futurist at the Da Vinci Institute from Colorado and Google's top rated futurist speaker. He works closely with a board of visionaries to develop original research studies. We are hoping that more people will come and join us to learn about the future of manufacturing jobs, outlooks, and innovations that can help them translate trends into unique business opportunities. The tickets to see Thomas Frey includes a registration of \$40 including a breakfast. The exhibits will be open to the public at no cost. This is not a job fair, it's more about education

and awareness.

Jonathon Mendel, Planning Community Director, had no report.

Chief Painter, Fire Chief, reported the following: Last Monday, August 17th they started the trial period for the afternoon staffing shift at the fire dept. The first week went very well and he will continue to update all as the trial period progresses.

Mike Wright, Recreation Center Director, reported the following:

Jansen Wehrley, Parks and Recreation Director, reported the following: We recently completed the playground renovation at JC Park, installing new equipment, slides, swing set and improved the surface. Next week will begin turf renovation on the square and two sections will be roped off for 7 to 8 weeks.

As the warm weather continues the splashpads have had extensive use but after Labor Day they will only be open day to day weather permitting.

Dan Gladish, Building Official, reported it has been a very busy season for the Building Dept. The numbers are up for construction permits and Property Maintenance Code enforcement. Most of the permits are from home owners investing in their own properties such as renovations, additions, and repairs and are fairly equal in all council wards.

St. Matthews Church is looking to help the community with a group of volunteers ready to help the elderly or disabled and are looking for a couple of home repair projects to do in the month of September that would include labor only. If anyone is interested please call Tom Cromer in the Building Department at 330-722-9032.

Patrick Patton, City Engineer, reported Lake Rd will be open within 2 weeks if not sooner. The concrete street repair project has been started as well as crack sealing throughout the city, thank you for your cooperation. We met with Columbia Gas about their project here in the northwestern downtown area and they stated the project is going well and they anticipate being complete around the first of October.

Nino Piccoli, Service Director, reported they are continuing to work on storm sewer issues around the city within the infrastructure. Street repairs where water breaks occurred and asphalt needs repaired have been completed. The other part of our asphalt resurfacing program will include South Prospect Street between Smith and Lafayette.

Notices, Communications and Petition

There was none.

Unfinished Business:

There was none.

Introduction of Visitors:

David Frazier resides at 515 W. Smith. Mr. Smith spoke of traffic increases in the area with

excessive speeds, including 46 semi-trucks passing through from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Mr. Coyne explained that West Smith Rd. is a road that the semi-trucks are permitted to use to get to the state routes and Owens Corning has a lot of vehicles coming from their plant and other plants in that area traversing. Mayor Hanwell stated they may use those roads versus others due to turn radius, we also built an extension to Commerce Drive from Drug Mart out to Rt. 18 to give them another alternative to get in there but right now we have the Lake Rd. construction which is one way south bound and that's causing some additional traffic your way. We can have some officers come down and use radar guns to check both car and truck traffic to make sure they are within the tolerated speeds set.

Introduction and Consideration of Ordinances and Resolutions:

Res. 102-15:

A Resolution Congratulating Andrew J. Root on attaining the rank of Eagle Scout. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 102-15, seconded by Mr. Simpson. A resolution was read and presented to Andrew Root by Mr. Coyne and Mayor Hanwell presented Andrew with a Proclamation for achieving the highest award in scouting earning the rank of Eagle Scout, whereas less than 4% of all boy scouts earn that highest rank. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 102-15 passed by the yea votes of B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, B. Hilberg, and M. Kolesar.

Ord. 103-15:

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to advertise for competitive bids and to award a contract to the successful bidder for the Audible Traffic Signal Project at two intersections around Public Square. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 103-15, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Patton stated this project is being funded through a CDBG Grant, there are no city contributions. We currently have two audible traffic signals on the square and with this grant we will have one on each of the four corners of the square. The sight impaired group expressed gratefulness for the two that we currently have installed. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 103-15 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, B. Hilberg, M. Kolesar, and B. Lamb.

Ord. 104-15:

An Ordinance amending Section 1147.07 (J) of the Zoning Code of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to Electronic Message Center Signs. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 104-15, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Mendel stated this is the ordinance review for a public hearing held on July 13th by City Council to make the amendment to the Sign Code for the Planning and Zoning Code. This amendment allows for full color electronic message centers signs. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 104-15 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, B. Hilberg, M. Kolesar, B. Lamb and P. Rose.

Res. 105-15:

A Resolution accepting the donation of legal services from Walker & Jocke Co., LPA to file a Trademark Application and a Copyright Application for the Bicentennial logo for the City of Medina. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 105-15, seconded

by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 105-15, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mayor Hanwell stated we are requesting the emergency clause so that we can get this protection in place and start getting some of the information packets and brochures all going with the Bicentennial Logo before someone copies it and we lose it. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of J. Coyne, B. Hilberg, M. Kolesar, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, and D. Simpson. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 105-15 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, B. Hilberg, M. Kolesar, B. Lamb, P. Rose, and J. Shields.

Res. 106-15:

A Resolution of the Council of the City of Medina, Medina County, and State of 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. 106-15, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 106-15, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dirham stated this is for paying a deductible on employment liability insurance. There wasn't a previous P.O. as it wasn't something we could plan for. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of M. Kolesar, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, and B. Hilberg. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 106-15 passed by the yea votes of B. Hilberg, M. Kolesar, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, and J. Coyne.

Ord. 107-15:

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 200-14, passed December 8, 2014.

(Amendments to 2015 Budget) Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 107-15, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dirham stated there are a number of donations that are pass through that we have to do and an increase for closing an old P.O. and a number of reductions. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 107-15 passed by the yea votes of B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, B. Hilberg, and M. Kolesar.

Ord. 108-15:

An Ordinance authorizing the Finance Director to make certain fund transfers. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 108-15, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dirham stated the City owns a railroad and we have three businesses that use it. The City contributes to this and the three businesses do also. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 108-15 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, B. Hilberg, M. Kolesar, and B. Lamb.

Res. 109-15:

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to file an application for grant assistance with the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) for the E. Smith Road Reconstruction Project. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 109-15, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 109-15, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Patton explained that the application they are filing with the OPWC is for the reconstruction of East Smith Road between Court Street and Jefferson, it will

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include replacing the existing waterlines and storm sewers as well. The emergency clause is needed due to time restraints with the application. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of D. Simpson, J. Coyne, B. Hilberg, M. Kolesar, B. Lamb, P. Rose, and J. Shields. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 109-15 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, J. Coyne, B. Hilberg, M. Kolesar, B. Lamb and P. Rose.

Council Comments:

Mr. Hilberg stated there will be a combined Ward 1 & Ward 2 meeting on Tuesday, September 1st, at 7 p.m. at Claggett Middle School, 420 East Union St.

Mr. Kolesar stated his wife had her 25 year class reunion and he thanked Jim Shields for his efforts on letting the alumni come back and tour the High School. He stated he appreciates him teaching the elementary kids here at City Hall on how City Hall and Council function. Mr. Kolesar stated his is grateful for how much Jim Shields continues to give back to our community.

Mr. Kolesar also spoke of the International Fest and thanked Main Street Medina and all the sponsors.

Mr. Coyne stated that on Wednesday, September 9th, 2015 there will be a budget hearing at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall.

Mayor Dennis Hanwell – State of the City Address Immediately Following City Council Meeting.

Adjournment:

There being no further business before Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Kathy Patton, CMC - Clerk of Council

John M. Coyne, President of Council