

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL
Monday, February 25, 2019

Opening:

Medina City Council met in regular, open session on Monday, February 25, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President of Council John Coyne. Cub Scout Wolf Pack #3507 from First Christian Church led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

The roll was called with the following members of Council present E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, B. Starcher and J. Coyne.

Also present were the following members of the Administration: Mayor Dennis Hanwell, Keith Dirham, Greg Huber, Patrick Patton, Nino Piccoli, Chief Kinney, Chief Painter, Dan Gladish, Jansen Wehrley, Mike Wright, and Jonathon Mendel.

Minutes:

Mr. Shields moved that the minutes from the regular meeting on Monday, February 11, 2019 as prepared and submitted by the Clerk be approved. The roll was called and the motion passed by the yea votes of B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, B. Starcher, J. Coyne and E. Heffinger.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Finance Committee: Mr. Coyne stated the Finance Committee met prior to the Council meeting this evening and will meet again in two weeks.

Health, Safety & Sanitation Committee: Mr. Simpson announced they had a meeting today prior to the Finance meeting receiving an update from the Police Chief and the Fire Chief. Mr. Simpson stated that sometime in late March or early April he will have another meeting to get an update from Mr. Piccoli on the Sanitation Department.

Public Properties Committee: Mr. Shields had no report.

Special Legislation Committee: Mr. Lamb had no report. Still working on a meeting in late March for equality legislation.

Streets & Sidewalks Committee: Mr. Heffinger reported he has a meeting scheduled as Council of the Whole on the 6th of March to discuss the S. Broadway reconstruction. All residents living on the brick section of South Broadway are invited to join us here at City Hall at 6:00 p.m.

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

Emerging Technologies Committee: Mr. Rose had no report.

Requests for Council Action:

19-035-2/25 – Budget Amendments

19-038-2/25 – Fitness Room Addition Project Approval

19-039-2/25 – Expenditure Over \$15,000 – MNJ Technologies – MCRC

19-040-2/25 – Update Electronic Device Policy / Adopt Social Media Policy

19-041-2/25 – Expenditure – Software Solutions – Finance Dept.

- 19-042-2/25 – Trade in of three (3) Police Vehicles
- 19-043-2/25 – Purchase five (5) Police Cruisers – Lebanon Ford
- 19-044-2/25 – Then & Now – Lexipol
- 19-045-2/25 – Then & Now – Ohio State Highway Patrol
- 19-046-2/25 – Then & Now – Verizon
- 19-047-2/25 – Then & Now – Ohio Edison

Reports of Municipal Officers:

Dennis Hanwell, Mayor, reported

- 1) 25th Annual Ice Festival will take place in Medina Friday, February 15th thru Monday, February 18th. Thankful to sponsors and Elegant Ice Creations for bringing this great event to Medina each February. Great draw to our community and support of our businesses. Elegant Ice stated one of best ever and most attended.
- 2) Black History Month celebration Thursday, February 21st, 7 p.m. at Second Baptist. Choir members from community and Claggett Middle School both performed. City was represented by Councilmen Bob Starcher and Jim Shields, Chief Kinney and I.
- 3) Cleveland Scene Magazine ranked Best French Fries- Top twenty places to get best french fries in Cleveland area - Medina had two of the top twenty- PJ Marley's and Yours Truly. Congratulations!
- 4) MSM Ladies Night Out is Thursday, March 7th, 5 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
- 5) Congratulations to Capt. Larry Codding, Medina Fire Department, on his retirement and thanks to the entire Codding family for their outstanding service to our community on the Fire Department for many years.

Keith Dirham, Finance Director, Mr. Dirham reminded residents to file an income tax with RITA and you can find them on the web at RITA^{OHIO}, there will also be forms here at City Hall. The dates for assistance with city taxes are Thursday, March 14th 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. and Saturday, April 6th 11:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. at the Medina Recreation Center.

Greg Huber, Law Director, had no report

Chief Kinney, Police Department, had no report.

Kimberly Marshall, Economic Development Director, was absent.

Jonathan Mendel, Planning Community Director, had no report.

Chief Painter, Fire Department, had no report.

Mike Wright, Recreation Center Director, Mike congratulated Larry on his retirement.

Jansen Wehrley, Parks and Recreation Director, Jansen stated the Forestry Department was out yesterday evening as well as today and for the next couple of days cleaning up tree debris from the recent high winds we had. If there is anyone out there that does have some damage and it hasn't

been reported please call the Parks Department at 330-721-6950.

Dan Gladish, Building Official, Dan reported 2018 year-end report on the Building Department's responsibilities. 2018 was a very busy and successful year for the City of Medina's Community Development Department, of which the Building Department is a part of.

In 2018 the Building department issued 1,524 construction permits which required 5,668 field inspections.

The 1,524 construction permits represents a total investment or re-investment in the community of \$67.8 million dollars. Of which \$62.2 million was for commercial projects and \$5.6 million was for residential projects. For a city that is pretty much built-out, these investments continue to show that the City of Medina is an excellence place to live and do business.

The city also issued a record number of Contractor Registrations, 959 total for the year. The City of Medina requires all contractor working within the city limits to hold a current registration, the purpose of the registration requirement is to insure that the contractors are current with their state licenses and carry the proper liability insurance.

The large number of construction permits and contractor registrations continues to make the Building Department self-sufficient.

The Building Department has dual responsibilities, new construction and Property Maintenance Code Enforcement.

In 2018 the Building Department performed 652 code enforcement survey inspections. Another 238 complaint inspections. The Building Department was able to resolve all but nine. The nine required court action. The goal is to resolve the property maintenance code concerns on a friendly level, one on one and to only use the courts as a last resort for compliance.

In 2018 there were 49 foreclosures.

Patrick Patton, City Engineer, stated he has received bids for the reconstruction for West Smith Road Phase 3 – the section between Lake Rd. and Commerce Dr. Board of Control awarded a contract for \$1.5 million dollars for that project and anticipate the start time for mid-April.

Nino Piccoli, Service Director, Nino acknowledged the Street crew working together with the Forestry Department and Dispatch Center after the high wind storm that passed through this area.

Confirmation of Council's appointments

Firemen's Dependents Board – Bob Starcher, Exp. 12/31/22

Firemen's Dependents Board – Dennie Simpson, Exp. 12/31/22

Mr. Shields moved to confirm Council appointments, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called and the appointments were approved by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, B. Starcher, J. Coyne, E. Heffinger and B. Lamb.

Notices, communications and petitions

There were none.

Unfinished Business:

There was none.

Introduction of Visitors:

There were none.

Introduction and Consideration of Ordinances and Resolutions:

Res. 028-19:

A Resolution commending Retired Captain Larry A. Coddling for his dedicated years of service to the City of Medina as a valued member of the Medina City Fire Department. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 028-19, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Resolution was presented to Larry Coddling for his dedicated 36 years of service. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 028-19 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, B. Starcher, J. Coyne, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb and P. Rose.

Ord. 029-19:

An Ordinance to amend the Codified Ordinances of the City of Medina, Ohio by amending the following Sections of Part 11 – Planning and Zoning Code, Sections 1109.01, 1141.01, 1141.05, 1145.04(a) and 1147.04(d). Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 029-19, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Mendel stated these are proposed amendments to various sections of the Planning and Zoning Code and recommended for approval by the Planning Commission. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 029-19 passed by the yea votes of D. Simpson, B. Starcher, J. Coyne, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose and J. Shields.

Ord. 030-19:

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to sign the Letter of Arrangement with the Auditor of State Keith Faber for the preparation of the annual audit for the City of Medina for the fiscal period ending December 31, 2018. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 030-19, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Keith Dirham stated this is for their annual audit. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 030-19 passed by the yea votes of B. Starcher, J. Coyne, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields and D. Simpson.

Ord. 031-19:

An Ordinance authorizing the increase of the expenditure to Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company to \$40,000 for the Sanitation Department. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 031-19, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Piccoli stated this is for the rest of the year in the Sanitation Department. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 031-19 passed by the yea votes of J. Coyne, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson and B. Starcher.

Ord. 032-19:

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 103-17, passed July 10, 2017 relative to Section 31.01 of the Salary and Benefits Code, the Schedule of Pay for the positions of Members of Council. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 032-19, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dirham wanted to clarify for everyone at home that they are not changing or increasing council's salaries, what this ordinance will do is clarify that the salaries in place through

2021 will continue beyond 2021 until such time as council should amend them. Mr. Coyne stated there was some confusion in the papers saying they are getting raises but they are not. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 032-19 passed by the yea votes of E. Heffinger, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, B. Starcher and J. Coyne.

Ord. 033-19:

An Ordinance amending Section 917.04(d) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Medina, Ohio relative to Bulk Water Rates. Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 033-19, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dirham stated they are not increasing the rate that they charge for bulk water usage but applying a minimum bill for bulk water. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 033-19 passed by the yea votes of B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, B. Starcher, J. Coyne and E. Heffinger.

Ord. 034-19:

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 195-18, passed December 10, 2018. (Amendments to 2019 Budget) Mr. Shields moved for the adoption of Ordinance/Resolution No. 034-19, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dirham stated these are budget amendments for the Fitness Room project at the Rec Center. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 034-19 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, B. Starcher, J. Coyne, E. Heffinger and B. Lamb.

Ord. 035-19:

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. 035-19, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 035-19, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Dirham stated this ordinance and the next three deal with expenditures we did not have purchase orders for because of year end. The emergency clause is requested because the vendors need to be paid for the services they provided. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of D. Simpson, B. Starcher, J. Coyne, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose and J. Shields. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 035-19 passed by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, B. Starcher J. Coyne, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb and P. Rose.

Ord. 036-19:

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. 036-19, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 036-19, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of J. Coyne, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson and B. Starcher. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 036-19 passed by the yea votes of B. Starcher, J. Coyne, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields and D. Simpson.

Ord. 037-19:

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. 037-19, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 037-19, seconded by Mr. Simpson. 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, B. Starcher, J. Coyne and E. Heffinger. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 037-19 passed by the yea votes of E. Heffinger, B. Lamb, P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, B. Starcher and J. Coyne.

Ord. 038-19:

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. 038-19, seconded by Mr. Simpson. Mr. Shields moved that the emergency clause be added to Ordinance/Resolution No. 038-19, seconded by Mr. Simpson. The roll was called on adding the emergency clause and was approved by the yea votes of J. Shields, D. Simpson, B. Starcher J. Coyne, E. Heffinger, B. Lamb and P. Rose. The roll was called and Ordinance/Resolution No. 038-19 passed by the yea votes of P. Rose, J. Shields, D. Simpson, B. Starcher, J. Coyne, E. Heffinger and B. Lamb.

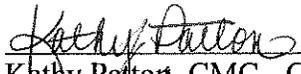
Council Comments:

Mr. Simpson thanked the Parks, Forestry, Service, Police and Fire Departments for the extraordinary job they all did over the last 32 to 40 hour wind storm that went through. It was a real dangerous situation for anyone that was outside.

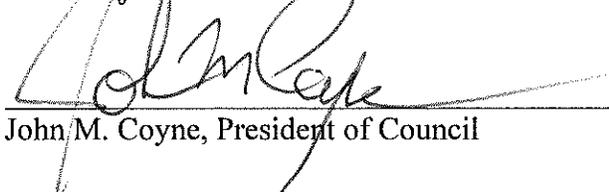
Mr. Lamb congratulated Larry Coddling and stating that he knew his father well. Bill also commended the Scouts in attendance.

Adjournment:

There being no further business before Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.



Kathy Patton, CMC - Clerk of Council



John M. Coyne, President of Council