

**REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
CITY OF MEDINA, TENNESSEE**

Minutes

Monday, April 7, 2025

6:15 PM

- **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Betts called the meeting to order and determined a quorum. Present were Kevin Painter, Drew Rhodes, Marc Murdaugh, and Angi Mathenia.

- **OPENING CEREMONIES**

- A. Invocation was given by Drew Rhodes.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Angi Mathenia.
- C. Mayor Betts welcomed everyone in attendance.

- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING March 10, 2025**

Alderman Mathenia made motion to approve minutes of March 10, 2025 as written. Alderman Rhodes seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM SPECIAL CALLED MEETING March 18, 2025**

Alderman Rhodes made motion to approve minutes of Special Called Meeting on March 10, 2025 as written. Motion passed 5-0.

- **APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR April 7, 2025**

Mayor Betts asked to include discussion on Drug Dogs Purchase on the agenda. Alderman Painter made motion to approve agenda for April 7, 2025 to include drug dogs purchase discussion. Alderman Rhodes seconded motion. Motion passed 5-0.

- **REPORTS**

- A. Parks and Recreation / Public Works-

Mike Hutcherson reported to the board that the Parks and Recreation Board approved a shed to be put in place at an approved location near the soccer field. Mike reported the Soccer Association wanted to put a 12' by 16' storage building for storage only on site. The board asked if the soccer association was notified that it is required to get a letter noting the city is not liable for any damage and that the facility is for storage only. He stated that he was awaiting the documentation and they were told that there were no cameras on-site at that location. He was also asked to have them submit a picture of building. The board decided not to take action until next meeting so that all information could be received for review. Mike noted that there was vandalism in the restrooms at Medina Community Park. Police are reviewing camera footage and contacting parents of youth at this time. He also noted that he had purchased the mower for Public Works that was in the annual budget.

- B. Fire Chief-

Mark Cleveland reported approximately 4 response people per call for the month of March. 13 medical calls, 2 fire calls, and 1 false alarm for the month of March.

Mayor Betts and Fire Chief Cleveland presented Jim Simpson firefighter with certificate for Firefighter of the Year award from the Milan Mirror Exchange.

C. Building Inspector –

Matt Brown reported 7 permits for the month of April including 2 homes, plumbing, pool, and business sign permits. He reported that a new golf simulator facility will open soon where the previous liquor store was located on Hwy 45. He was asked about the gas station and noted that they were proceeding but rain delays have set them back a lot.

D. Interim Police Chief-

Phillip Kemper reported 43 citations, 5 arrests, 80 calls for service, 263 officer contacts, and 1414 camera citations for the month of March. He reported that he has hired two certified officers, Kevin Vester and Jeremy Brooks. The department is now only down two officers and he is interviewing a certified officer on Thursday for a potential new hire. They have two part-time officers on duty also. He reviewed updates on police purchases based on last month's board approved items. He noted that the police vests for 6 officers would be \$8884 but he would be applying for a 50% reimbursement grant. He is still reviewing options for park cameras. He talked with the board about purchasing 2 drug dogs to be funded entirely through the Drug Fund. After much discussion, it was asked to set up a called meeting to review this request more in depth. Also at the called meeting, he was asked to include the purchase of vests and body camera server.

E. Recorder/Treasurer- Kim Gilley

Kim discussed the request for called meeting and it was determined that Tuesday, April 15 at 4:30 pm would be set for the meeting. She noted the budget would come before the board for first reading on the May meeting.

- **CITIZENS INPUT**


Mrs. Dukart commented she was all for the purchase of the drug dogs.

- **BOARD MEMBERS AND MAYOR REPORTS AND CONCERNS**

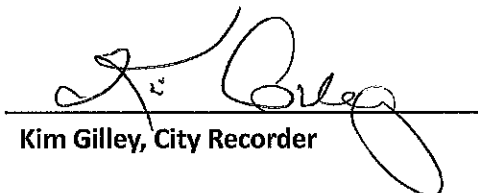
Kevin Painter	None
Drew Rhodes	None
Mayor Betts	None
Marc Murdaugh	None
Angi Mathenia	None

- **ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully submitted:



Mayor Scottie Betts



Kim Gilley, City Recorder