

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

Minutes

Monday, May 5, 2025

6:00 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 Marc Murdaugh.
- C. Mayor Betts welcomed everyone in attendance.

- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING April 7, 2025**

Alderman Painter made a motion to approve minutes of April 7, 2025 as written. Alderman Murdaugh seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM SPECIAL CALLED MEETING April 17, 2025**

Alderman Murdaugh made a motion to approve minutes special called meeting on April 7, 2025 as written. Alderman Rhodes seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

- **APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR May 5, 2025**

Alderman Mathenia made a motion to approve agenda of May 5, 2025 as written. Alderman Murdaugh seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

- **PRESENTATION ON THE GIBSON COUNTY COURT SYSTEM BY THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

District Attorney Fredrick Agee presented a program to centralize Gibson County Court System.

- **REPORTS**

- A. Parks and Recreation / Public Works-

Mike Hutcherson reported park grant construction should begin May 19 and the completion date set tentatively in Mid-September. Splashpad opens May 19th. Soccer season has ended, and Baseball will end in couple of weeks. He reviewed the Asphalt Paving Bid noting that it exceeds the appropriated funds set aside for this year's paving. Martin Paving was the low bidder, and they have been contacted and agreed to complete items 1-6 before June 30 and complete 7-8 in July under the new budget. Alderman Rhodes made the motion to approve the

bid of Martin Paving for items 1-6 and Alderman Mathenia seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Mike reported that the civic center front door should be delivered within the next 4-5 weeks. Alderman Painter asked that the tiles at door entrance be fixed when new door is installed.

B. Fire Chief-

Mark Cleveland reported 50 calls for the month of April with 23 being in the City of Medina, 16 medical, 11 service calls.

C. Building Inspector -Matt Brown -not present

D. Police Chief-

Phillip Kemper reported 327 calls for service, 6 arrests, 36 citations, and 1310 camera tickets. Three new hires are Kevin Vester, Jeremy Brooks, and Rahson Johnson with one open position remaining. He felt the hiring bonuses and initiatives have paid off. Tasers should be in place within a couple of weeks, Handguns should be in by June 3 and rifles are here but waiting on optics. E-citations should be in place soon and Flock is working with TDOT for placement.

E. Recorder/Treasurer- Kim Gilley

Big-Garbage Pickup Bid Approval

Kim Gilley reviewed the bids from Premier Properties and RAKK Solid. After much review, Alderman Rhodes made motion to approve bid of RAKK Solid for one year. Alderman Mathenia seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-yes 1-no and 1 abstain. Yes- Alderman Rhodes, Mayor Betts, and Alderman Mathenia. Abstain- Alderman Murdaugh and no vote – Alderman Painter. He stated it was nothing against RAKK Solid, he just would like to have had both bidders bidding in the same manner to compare prices.

Property Tax Collection by Gibson County Proposal-

Review of Gibson County collecting property taxes for city governments in Gibson County. Their fee is 1% with the estimated City of Medina cost being \$15,800 based on last year's tax revenue. After review of current costs incurred for the processing of property tax payment receipts in house averaging \$11,500 that would average the cost for collection cost being approximately \$4,300 annually. The county has a lower credit card fee which will help property owners related to payment. Alderman Painter made motion to have Gibson County Clerk collect City of Medina property taxes. Alderman Mathenia seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0 with Mayor not placing a vote.

• **CITIZENS INPUT**

Drew McDannold and Dr. Richard Addo addressed the board on placement of Soccer Storage Building. They were concerned that place stated has a tree with large dead limbs hanging over area. After much discussion, It was noted that Mike Hutcherson had marked the area in a way that this would not be an issue. Each party was in agreeance in meeting Tuesday to review the area on site. There was also discussed noting in the proposed agreement that it was required

to state no concessions would be served from this building. Attorney Michael Hill stated he had the agreement and would be making the required changes for further review.

- **FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MEDINA, TENNESSEE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET**

After review, Alderman Betts made the motion to approve the amended year 2025 budget. Alderman Rhodes seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

- **FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MEDINA, TENNESSEE ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2025 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2026**

City recorder Kim Gilley reviewed the Fiscal Year 2026 budget and noted to the board that there was a surplus of \$64,750 but this figure does not reflect the reduction of the camera fund revenue as done in the past.

Alderman Painter made the motion to approve First Reading of FY 2025-2026 Budget.

Alderman Murdaugh seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

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

Kevin Painter

He asked is there were any criteria as to when Mayor voted or made motions.

Andrew Rhodes

Thanked RAKK Solid for bid submission.

Marc Murdaugh

None

Angi Mathenia

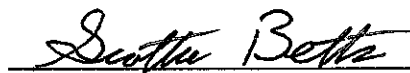
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Mayor Betts

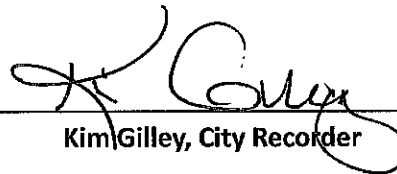
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- **ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully submitted:



Mayor Scottie Betts



Kim Gilley, City Recorder