

REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING

BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

CITY OF MEDINA, TENNESSEE

Minutes

Monday, January 5, 2026

6:00 PM

• **CALL TO ORDER**

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

• **OPENING CEREMONIES**

- A. Invocation was given by Alderman Andrew Rhodes.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Kevin Painter.
- C. Mayor Betts welcomed everyone in attendance.

• **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING December 1, 2025**

Alderman Rhodes made a motion to approve minutes from regular scheduled meeting on December 1, 2025. Alderman Murdaugh seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

• **APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR January 5, 2026**

Alderman Marc Murdaugh made motion to approve agenda for January 5, 2026. Alderman Kevin Painter seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

• **REPORTS**

- A. Parks and Recreation / Public Works- Mike Hutcherson- absent

Kim noted that the Christmas lights downtown are in bad working condition due to the age of them. She asked for consideration of disposing of them and revisit later in budget for the new year. The board was in agreeance.

- B. Fire Chief-

Mark Cleveland reported 46 calls for the month of December with 28 of them being medical calls and 5 being minor fire calls (4 grass fires). 2025 recap – 271 calls with 200 of them being medic and 16 non-major fire calls. Recap shows Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday are peak days and peak call hours are from 7 am- 6 pm.

- C. Building Inspector –Matt Brown- absent

Kim noted that Matt relayed that there were 34 new home permits for the year 2025.

- D. Police Chief- *Officer Award Presentations

Phillip Kemper reported 584 calls for service, 6 arrests with 3 guns confiscated, and 477 camera citations issued. He presented Joseph Maness with Enforcement Officer of the Year. Applauded him for his hard work in that traffic safety is a high priority for the department. He also noted that Cody McMinn received Narcotic Officer of the Year, and Logan Taylor received Officer of the Year for 2025. He noted that flock cameras are running and within next few weeks the 4 best locations will be determined.

E. Recorder/Treasurer-

Kim Gilley informed the board that audit is complete, and documentation should follow within next month. There were no findings. She also informed the board that an e-citation resolution will be on next month's agenda to approve the \$5 state approved addition to citations for the implementation of electronic citations. There is a 5 year limitation for the additional \$5 fee.

- **CITIZENS INPUT**
No Comments
- **RESOLUTION APPROVING MEDINA DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE GOAL TO SEEK TN DOWNTOWN ACCREDITATION**
Alderman Painter made the motion to approve the Resolution approving Medina Downtown Development Initiative Goal to Seek TN Downtown Accreditation. Alderman Rhodes seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.
- **VICIOUS DOG ORDINANCE DISCUSSION**
After much discussion, Board asked City Attorney to review other cities' vicious dog ordinances and bring back to the board some options to update the ordinance.
Brandon Reynolds, a resident of Westwind, voiced his concern of the dogs that went back to their owners after attacking a resident and killing another dog. The home, in concern, houses 6 American bulldogs. They also discussed the issue of an abundance of cats in the city.
- **BOARD MEMBERS AND MAYOR REPORTS AND CONCERNS**

Marc Murdaugh	None
Kevin Painter	None
Andrew Rhodes	None
Mayor Betts	Thanked everyone for their attendance.
- **ADJOURNMENT**
Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted:

Mayor

City Recorder