



CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes
*****Correction - Sec. 23 Public Input***

July 8, 2025
6:30 PM
6738 Dixon Street
Milton, FL 32570

1. Open Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 06:30 PM.

Members Present:

Council Member Ward IV, Seat II Casey Powell
Council Member, Ward I, Seat I Mike Cusack
Council Member, Ward II, Seat I Marilyn Farrow
Council Member, Ward III, Seat I Gavin Hawthorne
Council Member Ward III, Seat II Robert Leek
Council Member Ward I, Seat II Tom Powers
Council Member, Ward IV, Seat I Ashley Fretwell
Council Member Ward II, Seat II Larry McKee

Members Absent:

Members of the Public in Attendance

Pam Mitchell, Jerry Mitchell, Theresa Messick, Jimmy Messick, Lindy Helms, Mary Engstrom, Larry Holt, Katherine Farrington, Linda Holt, Preston Farrington, Scott White, Shari Sebastiao, David Farrow, Jean Fairfiled, Cyndi Fairfield, Brian McGuire, Lisa McNew, David McNew, Rachel Jinright, Skylar Jinright, Donna Long, Harold Padgett, Debbie Padgett, Mehdi Jaoui, Les Allen, Olivia Frazier

Staff in Attendance

City Manager, Ed Spears
City Attorney, John Adams
City Clerk, Molly Turnes
IT Systems Analyst, Ashley Johnston
Public Information Officer, Bethany Anderson
Planning Director, Tim Milstead
Public Works Director, Joe Cook
Events Coordinator, Jay Conrad
ACM, Sandra Woodbery
Chief of Police, Jennifer Frank

2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance

Chief Sky Horse

3. Approval of Minutes

Item # 2025-3339
June 10, 2025 Regular Council Meeting

ACTION: Motion to Approve by Larry McKee;
second by Tom Powers;
Motion passed - 8:0

YEAS: Casey Powell, Mike Cusack, Marilyn Farrow, Gavin Hawthorne, Robert Leek, Tom Powers, Ashley Fretwell, Larry McKee

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

4. Approval of Agenda

ACTION: Motion to Approve by Marilyn Farrow; second by Casey Powell;
Motion passed - 8:0

YEAS: Casey Powell, Mike Cusack, Marilyn Farrow, Gavin Hawthorne, Robert Leek, Tom Powers, Ashley Fretwell, Larry McKee

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Moved to Consent Agenda:

- 2025-3433 SEPA-MHS Homecoming Parade
- 2025-3367 GrayRobinson Engagement Letter
- 2025-3425 Voting Delegate FLC
- 2025- 3393 Pre Camera Inspections
- 2025-3427 Russell Harbor
- 2025-3408 Task Force Letter
- 2025-3421 MPD Training Initiative Grant - Evidence Management Courses
- 2025-3434 MPD - Police Chief Vehicle

Item Moved to Special Called meeting:

- 2025-3431 - FY26 Millage Rate

Item Added:

- 2025-3438 - Sprayfield Land Purchase (added under Public Works)

Councilman Cussack added the City's Risk Management process to his report.

5. Public Announcements, Awards, Proclamations & Recognitions

Item # 2025-3426

Former Councilman Lloyd Hinote Proclamation

Mayor Lindsay read a proclamation

Public input was provided by: Jimmy Messick & Chief Sky Horse

Item # 2025-3436

Recognition of Interns by Jay Conrad

Event Coordinator Jay Conrad reported to the council and recognized the interns for all the work they did at the July 4th Riverfest.

6. Public Hearings

Item # 2025-3432

Rezoning Request - 25 Acres behind 6593 Caroline Street

Planning Director, Tim Milstead reported to council.

The applicant, Mohammed Jaoui spoke to council.

Public input was provided by: Theresa Messick, Pam Mitchell

7. Invited Speakers

No Invited Speakers

8. Persons to Appear

Public input was provided by: Howard Steele, Pam Mitchell

9. General Consent Agenda

Item # 2025-3340

General Consent Agenda

Moved to Consent Agenda:

- 2025-3433 SEPA-MHS Homecoming Parade
- 2025-3367 GrayRobinson Engagement Letter
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10. Ordinances & Resolutions

Item # 2025-3295

Ordinance No. 06-25 UDC Update - Articles 13 & 14 (2nd Reading)

ACTION: Motion to Approve by Marilynn Farrow;
second by Casey Powell;
Motion passed - 8:0

YEAS: Casey Powell, Mike Cusack, Marilynn
Farrow, Gavin Hawthorne, Robert Leek,
Tom Powers, Ashley Fretwell, Larry
McKee

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

City Attorney, John Adams read 2nd reading of Ordinance No.
06-25

Item # 2025-3384

Ordinance No. 07-25 Mobile Vending Ordinance Update (2nd Reading)

ACTION: Motion to Approve by Casey Powell;
second by Ashley Fretwell;
Motion passed - 8:0

YEAS: Casey Powell, Mike Cusack, Marilynn
Farrow, Gavin Hawthorne, Robert Leek,
Tom Powers, Ashley Fretwell, Larry
McKee

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

City Attorney, John Adams read 2nd reading of Ordinance No.
07-25

Item # 2025-3428

Resolution No. 2025-12 Fire Assessment

ACTION: Motion to Approve by Casey Powell;
second by Larry McKee;
Motion passed - 8:0

YEAS: Casey Powell, Mike Cusack, Marilyn Farrow, Gavin Hawthorne, Robert Leek, Tom Powers, Ashley Fretwell, Larry McKee
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

City Attorney, John Adams read Resolution 2025-12

Item # 2025-3424

Resolution No. 2025-13 FY2025 Budget Amendment

ACTION: Motion to Approve by Casey Powell; second by Tom Powers;
Motion passed - 8:0
YEAS: Casey Powell, Mike Cusack, Marilyn Farrow, Gavin Hawthorne, Robert Leek, Tom Powers, Ashley Fretwell, Larry McKee
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

City Attorney, John Adams read Resolution 2025-13

11. City of Milton Events

Item # 2025-3433

SEPA - MHS Homecoming Parade 2025 (10/17/25)

Passed on consent agenda

12. Finance, Planning Board

Councilman Cusack reported to council

City Manager, City Clerk & Council discussed Risk Management for the City of Milton

Item # 2025-3431

Fiscal Year 2026 Millage Rate (action item)

Item moved to a special called meeting on Saturday, July 19, 2025

13. Administration, Historic Preservation Board

Councilwoman Farrow reported to council

Item # 2025-3405

Board Vacancy - General Employee's Pension Board (informational item)

Councilwoman Farrow reported to council.

The Employee pension board has a vacancy with the

retirement of Code Enforcement Officer, Teresa Walsh.
This is a council-appointed seat.

Item # 2025-3422

Opioid Settlement Fund - Implementation Plan (informational item)

Item was discussed at the work session.

Item # 2025-3367

GrayRobinson Engagement Letter (action item)

Item passed on consent agenda

Item # 2025-3425

2025 FLC Annual Conference Voting Delegate (action item)

Item passed on Consent.

Mayor Lindsay was chosen as the voting delegate.

14. Parks & Recreation, Community Improvement Board

Councilman Hawthorne reported to council.

- No CIB meeting
- July 19th is the football sign-up deadline

15. Public Works

No report

Item # 2025-3393

Change Order: Pre- Camera Inspections of Sewer Lines for the Gas Line Replacement Project (action item)

Item passed on consent agenda

Item # 2025-3427

ITB 2025.06 – Russell Harber Dock Repair Replacement Project (action item)

Item passed on consent agenda

Sprayfield Land Purchase - Added at meeting

ACTION: Motion to Approve by Marilynn Farrow;
second by Gavin Hawthorne;
Motion passed - 8:0

YEAS: Casey Powell, Mike Cusack, Marilynn Farrow, Gavin Hawthorne, Robert Leek, Tom Powers, Ashley Fretwell, Larry McKee

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

City Manager Ed Spears reported to council. Discussed once

change to be made to the contract language regarding the City paying the fee for the doc stamps.
The City Attorney discussed making an amendment to increase the purchase price to include the amount of the doc stamps.

16. Board of Adjustments, Stormwater

Councilman McKee reported to council

- Board of Adjustment meeting re: 8" Fence

17. Growth, Development & Annexation, Tourist Development Council

No Report

18. LEAP, Youth Council

Councilman Powell reported to council

- Intern program
- Locklin Lake progress

19. Public Safety

Councilwoman Fretwell reported to council.

- Recognized Milton PD

Item # 2025-3408

SRCSO Narcotics Task Force letter (action item)

Item passed on consent agenda

Item # 2025-3421

Training initiative - Accept grant funding from Scholarship Program - (2)

Property and Evidence Management Courses (action item)

Item passed on consent agenda

Item # 2025-3434

Vehicle Purchase: 2025 Dodge Durango for Chief of Police

Item passed on consent agenda

20. Mayor Report: ECRC, TPO

Mayor Lindsay reported to council.

Council briefly discussed public comment at council meetings.

21. City Attorney's Report

City Attorney, John Adams encouraged council and mayor to review Ordinance 03-25 regarding public input and decorum at meetings.

22. City Manager's Business

City Manager Ed Spears reported to council

- July 17th Special Called Meeting FY26 Millage Rate
- *Stuff the Bus* school supply drive
- Recognized city for the success of the 4th of July event
- Congratulations to the mayor and council for moving forward on major projects tonight: land purchase for the effluent disposal system, gas line project, and the Russell Harbor dock repairs.

23. Public Input

Public input was provided by: Lauren Odgers, Mike Bolesman (*incorrect spelling*)

****CORRECTION - Mike Folzman**

24. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 08:24 PM.

Mayor

Date

City Clerk

Date