



CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes
*****CORRECTION -**
Section 13 Item# 2026-3833 to include "Seconded
by Councilman Hawthorne"

February 10, 2026
6:30 PM
6738 Dixon Street
Milton, FL 32570

1. Open Meeting

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

Members Present:

Mayor Heather Lindsay
Council Member, Ward I, Seat I Mike Cusack
Council Member, Ward II, Seat I Marilynn 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:

Council Member Ward IV, Seat II Casey Powell

Members of the Public in Attendance

Donna Long, David Farrow, Vernon Compton, Shari Sebastiao, Jimmy Messick, Theresa Messick, Troy Spradlin, Andrea Spradlin, Paul Salter, Carol B Rich, Teresa Harris

Staff in Attendance

City Manager, Ed Spears
City Attorney, John Adams
City Clerk, Molly Turnes
IT Director, Krystle Nowlin
Planning Director, Jacob Hullett
Events Coordinator, Jay Conrad
Ec. Dev. Director, Stephen Prestesater
ACM, Sandra Woodbery
Officer Kim Aguiar

2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance

Troy Spradlin, Margaret Street Church of Christ

3. Approval of Minutes

Item # 2026-3824
January 13, 2026 Regular Council Meeting

ACTION: Motion to Approve by Gavin Hawthorne;
second by Marilyn Farrow;
Motion passed - 7:0

YEAS: 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 Larry
McKee;
Motion passed - 7:0

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Item moved to consent agenda:

1. ITEM# 2026-3817 Natural Gas Pipeline Replacement Project
 - ITEM 2026-3878 Barnes Car Show (fees to be absorbed by the city for wreaths across America) **PULLED FROM CONSENT placed under Section 11**
 - ITEM 2026-3885 Procedures for New Board Appnts **PULLED FROM AGENDA**
 - Black History Month Proclamation Added
 - ITEM# 2026-3884 Amended to Extend Terms of CIB for 90 days
 - Councilwoman Farrow added a letter of opposition to HB 1143 and SB 948 placed under Section 13.

5. Public Announcements, Awards, Proclamations & Recognitions

Mayor Lindsay read the 2026 Black History Month Proclamation.

6. Public Hearings

No public hearings

7. Invited Speakers

Linda Sanborn, SRC School Board

Ms. Sanborn updated council on the DUO Program.

8. Persons to Appear

Public input was provided by: Vernon Compton

9. General Consent Agenda

ACTION: Motion to Approve by Larry McKee; second by Tom Powers;
Motion passed - 7:0
YEAS: Mike Cusack, Marilynn Farrow, Gavin Hawthorne, Robert
Leek, Tom Powers, Ashley Fretwell, Larry McKee
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

**Item# 2026-3817 Natural Gas Pipeline Replacement Project added to
consent agenda.**

Item # 2026-3878

SEPA - Barnes Car Show 2026 (May 16)

*Item moved off of consent to under Section 11. City of Milton
Events*

Item # 2026-3879

SEPA - Big O 5k 2026 (March 28)

Item passed on consent agenda

Item # 2026-3880

SEPA - Pedal Safe 2026 (April 25)

Item passed on consent agenda

Item # 2026-3881

SEPA - National Day of Prayer 2026 (May 7)

Item passed on consent agenda

10. Ordinances & Resolutions

No ordinances or resolutions

11. City of Milton Events

SEPA - Barnes Car Show 2026 (May 16)

ACTION: Motion to Approve by Tom Powers; second by Gavin
Hawthorne;
Motion passed - 7:0
YEAS: Mike Cusack, Marilynn Farrow, Gavin Hawthorne, Robert
Leek, Tom Powers, Ashley Fretwell, Larry McKee
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
*Motion to waive the fees of the event (Motion amended to take fees out of
discretionary funds)*

12. Finance, Planning Board

No report

13. Administration, Historic Preservation Board

Councilwoman Farrow Reported to council

ITEM ADDED Letter of Opposition to HB 1143 and SB 948 to be sent to lobbyists.
Planning Director, Jacob Hullett reported to council
Staff to draft letter

Item # 2026-3833

2025.08 RFQ Commercial Real Estate Services (action item)

ACTION: Motion to Approve the Salter Co. by
Marilynn Farrow; second by Gavin
Hawthorne;
Motion passed - 6:1
YEAS: Mike Cusack, Marilynn Farrow, Gavin
Hawthorne, Robert Leek, Tom Powers,
Ashley Fretwell
NAYS: Larry McKee
ABSTAIN: None

Councilwoman Farrow made a motion to Approve CBRE Inc,
seconded by Councilman Hawthorne
(Council discussed)

**Councilwoman Farrow withdrew her motion for CBRE and
made a motion to go with Salter Co.**

***CORRECTION: Councilwoman Farrow withdrew her motion,
"seconded by Councilman Hawthorne" for CBRE and made a
motion to go with Salter Co.***

Public input was provided by: Theresa Messick
Paul Salter spoke to council

Item # 2026-3885

Procedures for New Board Appointment Policy Implementation (action item)

Pulled from agenda

14. Parks & Recreation, Community Improvement Board

Councilman Hawthorne reported to council.

Item # 2026-3884

Board Appointment: (CIB) Community Improvement Board Upcoming
Vacancies (action item)

ACTION: Motion to Approve by Gavin Hawthorne;
second by Tom Powers;
Motion passed - 7:0

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

The motion is to extend the current terms for 90 days.

15. Public Works

No Report

Item # 2026-3817

Natural Gas Pipeline Replacement Project (Project Update & Scope of Work Expansion Request) (action item)

Item passed on consent agenda

16. Board of Adjustments, Stormwater

No report

17. Growth, Development & Annexation, Tourist Development Council

Councilman Powers reported to council.

18. LEAP, Youth Council

No report

19. Public Safety

Councilwoman Fretwell reported to council.

20. Mayor Report: ECRC, TPO

Mayor Lindsay reported to council.

21. City Attorney's Report

No report

22. City Manager's Business

City Manager Ed Spears reported to council and discussed the network and billing issues the City has had.

IT Director, Krystle Nowlin, reported to council regarding the IT changes that will happen in Council Chambers.

23. Public Input

Public input was provided by: Vernon Compton, Theresa Messick

24. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 07:37 PM.

Mayor

Date

City Clerk

Date