



CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes

November 7, 2022
6:00 PM
6738 Dixon Street
Milton, FL 32570

1. Open Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

Members Present:

Mayor Heather Lindsay
Council Member Ward I, Seat I Vernon Compton
Council Member Ward I, Seat II Matt Jarrett
Council Member Ward II, Seat II Roxanne Meiss
Council Member Ward III, Seat I Robert Leek
Council Member Ward IV, Seat I Shari Sebastiao
Council Member Ward IV, Seat II Casey Powell

Members Absent:

Council Member Ward II, Seat I Shannon Rice
Council Member Ward III, Seat II Jeff Snow (arrived at 7:07 PM)

Members of the Public in Attendance

Jerry Mitchell, Pam Mitchell, Vera Cooper, Marilynn Farrow, Jason Vance, Mike Cusack, Tom Powers, George Jordan, Cassandra Sharp, Justin Moss, Lauren Cooper, Donna Long, Christian Wagley, Gwen Sachar, Shana Alford

Staff in Attendance

City Manager, Randy Jorgenson
City Attorney, Alex Andrade
City Clerk, Dawn Molinero
IT Director, William Maloy
IT Systems Analyst, Hunter Green
IT Systems Analyst, Ashley Johnston
Public Information Officer, Jay Conrad
Planning Director, Tim Milstead
Director of Economic Development, Ed Spears
Public Works Director, Joe Cook
Grants Manager, Sandra Woodberry
Executive Assistant, Kevin Boyer
Chief of Police, Tony Tindell

2. Invocation

Pastor Nicole Jackson,
Bearing Fruit Community Church, Milton

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Approval of Minutes

Item # 2022-801

Approval of minutes for October 11, 2022 City Council Meeting

ACTION: Motion to Approve by Matt Jarrett; second by Shari Sebastiao;
Motion passed - 6:0
YEAS: Vernon Compton, Matt Jarrett, Roxanne Meiss, Robert Leek, Shari Sebastiao, Casey Powell
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

5. Approval of Agenda for Additional Items

ACTION: Motion to Approve by Vernon Compton; second by Matt Jarrett;
Motion passed - 6:0
YEAS: Vernon Compton, Matt Jarrett, Roxanne Meiss, Robert Leek, Shari Sebastiao, Casey Powell
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

6. Recognitions, Proclamations & Awards

Veteran's Day Proclamation

Mayor Heather Lindsay read a proclamation in honor of Veteran's Day and honored VFW Post 4833 with a Certificate of Appreciation for a large donation of flags to the City of Milton which are placed at the entrance of the City.

7. Invited Speakers

Blackwater River Water Quality and Solutions to Closure of Oyster Harvest Area
Christian Wagley
Coastal Organizer, Florida-Alabama Healthy Gulf

Christian Wagley presented information to the Council about the closure of local oyster harvest areas due to bacterial issues and explained that we have lost thousands of acres of harvesting areas and it is imperative that we take protective measures to bring our

local beds back to life. He explained that nonpoint source pollution is excess fertilizers, oil/grease/chemicals from urban runoff, sediment from improperly managed construction sites (smothering the oyster beds), salt from irrigation, pet waste and septic systems. Shana Alford reported to the Council about the loss of her oyster beds/business and how it is affecting her and others in the community.

8. Persons to Appear

Persons to Appear was provided by: Mike Cusack, George Jordan
The City Manager, Randy Jorgenson, introduced the new IT Director, William Maloy.

9. General Consent Agenda

ACTION: Motion to Approve by Vernon Compton; second by Casey Powell;

Motion passed - 6:0

YEAS: Vernon Compton, Matt Jarrett, Roxanne Meiss, Robert Leek, Shari Sebastiao, Casey Powell

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

General Consent Agenda

Item # 2022-791

Bid for 2022.11 Fire Training Facility Site Work

Item # 2022-805

Purchase of Sweeper

Item # 2022-806

Purchase of a Side Loader Garbage Truck

Item # 2022-483

Business Improvement Program FY 2023 Cycle 1

Item # 2022-796

Basic Traffic Homicide Investigation Training

Item # 2022-798
Sidewalks 2022-2023

10. Ordinances & Resolutions

Item # 2022-978
Budget Resolution

ACTION:	Motion to Approve by Casey Powell; second by Shari Sebastiao; Motion passed - 6:0
YEAS:	Vernon Compton, Matt Jarrett, Roxanne Meiss, Robert Leek, Shari Sebastiao, Casey Powell
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

11. Agenda Items

Staff Items

No staff items.

Administration

City of Milton Board Vacancies

Councilwoman Shari Sebastiao reported to the Council and encouraged the public to put in their applications and become a part of our boards.

Economic Development

No report.

Emerald Coast Regional Council

No report.

Finance

No report.

LEAP

Councilman Vernon Compton reported to the Council that the JB Turner Historic Marker event is in process and that the Lumberton Incident Historic Marker is complete with a small mistake on the QR code that will be fixed. A historic marker for Ms. Adams, the first African-American employee of the City of Milton was discussed.

The City Manager, Randy Jorgenson, reported to the Council that Chief Dan Helm

of the Santa Rosa Band of Creek Indians, Muscogee Tribe, asked him to speak on behalf of former Councilman Lloyd Hinote at the Tribe council meeting. The Tribe voted to make former Councilman Lloyd Hinote the first Heritage Chief. Public input concerning LEAP was provided by: Al Brewton

Parks & Recreation

Councilman Casey Powell reported to the Council that basketball practice begins this weekend.

Public Safety

Mayor Heather Lindsay reported to the Council and thanks the City of Milton Police Department for their role in keeping citizens safe during Bands on the Blackwater.

Public Works

No report.

Stormwater

No report.

12. Board & Committee Reports

Community Improvement Board

Councilman Vernon Compton reported to the Council that the next meeting will be held November 29, 2022 at 5:30 PM.

Historic Preservation Board

Councilwoman Roxanne Meiss reported to the Council that the next meeting will be held November 10, 2022 at 5:30 PM.

Pensacola Perdido Bay Estuary Program

Blackwater River and Invasive Species Public Education Opportunity

Councilman Vernon Compton reported to the Council.

Tourist Development Council

No report.

Transportation Planning Organization

MIO-Vision

Councilman Vernon Compton reported to the Council.

Complete Streets Discussion for Design Collaboration with FDOT

Councilman Vernon Compton reported to the Council.

13. Council Reports

Councilman Robert Leek addressed the City Manager, Randy Jorgenson, concerning the Wastewater Treatment Plant. A straw poll agreed to have staff get a quote for cost and time required to explore the feasibility of using the Jeff Ates property for the WWTP RIBS and to explore the feasibility of expanding the WWTP at the current site. A straw poll failed to explore the hardening of the current WWTP (flood walls, levies, etc.) to allow 'in-place' expansion. Further discussion showed no desire from the general Council to spend anymore time, effort and money on the current WWTP.

Councilman Vernon Compton reported to the Council about the SWIM Plan. Public input concerning Council Reports was provided by: George Jordan, Pam Mitchell

14. Mayor Report: Heather Lindsay

Mayor Heather Lindsay reported to the Council. The Marine Corps birthday is November 10th; thank you to all those who serve. The Veterans Day Parade will begin at 9:30 AM, traveling down HWY 87, to Berryhill, then to Willing and will end at the Veterans Memorial Plaza.

15. City Attorney's Report

No report.

16. City Manager's Report

Item # 2022-928

Wastewater Treatment Plant Funding Review

The City Manager, Randy Jorgenson and the Grants Manager, Sandra Woodberry, reported to the Council.

Item # 2022-964

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) 4564-Sally

ACTION:	Motion to Approve by Vernon Compton; second by Shari Sebastiao; Motion passed - 6:0
YEAS:	Vernon Compton, Matt Jarrett, Roxanne Meiss, Robert Leek, Shari Sebastiao, Casey Powell
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

The Grants Manager, Sandra Woodberry, reported to the Council.

Berryhill School Bricks

The City Manager, Randy Jorgenson, reported to the Council.

17. Public Input

Public Input was provided by: Pam Mitchell

18. Adjourn/Recess

The meeting adjourned at 7:47 PM.