**Council Minutes**

**Regular Meeting**

**December 4, 2018**

A regular meeting of the Millen City Council was held on December 5, 2018 at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Present were Mayor King Rocker, Council members Darrel Clifton, Regina Coney, and Robin Scott. Absent were Council members Ed Fuller, and Walter Thomas. Also, present were City Manager Jeff Brantley and City Attorney Hubert Reeves.

1. **Call to Order**

Mayor Rocker called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

1. **Invocation**

City Attorney Reeves gave the invocation.

1. **Public Hearing to set 2018 millage rate.**

Mayor Rocker opened the Public Hearing to set the 2018 millage rate at 6:02 P.M. City Manager Brantley discussed the current 2018 tax digest and 5-year history of levy. He stated the 5-year history had been published in the Millen News in compliance with requirements of O.C.G.A. 48-5-32. He recommended leaving the Net M & O millage rate at 8.073, which was the 2017 rate. Mayor Rocker opened up the floor for questions. After a brief discussion and no questions, Mayor Rocker closed the Public Hearing at 6:05 P.M.

Council member Coney made a motion, seconded by council member Clifton to set the 2018 Net M & O Millage Rate at 8.073. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

1. **Consent Agenda**

**Approve Minutes from November 6, 2018**

Council member Clifton made a motion, seconded by council member Coney to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from November 6, 2018. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

1. **Mandy Underwood – GICH presentation**

Mandy Underwood gave a presentation on Millen’s accomplishments with the Georgia Initiative for Community Housing (GICH) program. Millen was recently recognized for graduating from the 3-year program and has moved to Graduate Status. This designation helps the City and Low to Moderate Income Housing Developers on housing related grants. Ms. Underwood’s video presentation displayed the progress Millen has made over the 3-year period.

1. **Approve moving the January 1, 2019 regular meeting to January 8, 2019**

Council member Coney made a motion, seconded by council member Scott to move the Regular Council meeting scheduled for January 1, 2019 to January 8, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

1. **Appoint member to the Jenkins County Development Authority for 3-year term 2019-2021- Current appointee Ed Fuller**

Council member Clifton made a motion, seconded by council member Coney to appoint Ed Fuller as the City representative on the Jenkins County Development Authority for the 3-year term 2019-2021. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

1. **Approve Contract with Resource + Land Consultants for Environmental Consulting Service on the Waste Water Facility Discharge - $10,700.00**

Council member Clifton made a motion, seconded by council member Coney to approve the contract with Resource + Land Consultants for environment consulting service on the Waste Water Treatment Facility and to pay from SPLOST 6 funds. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

1. **Vote to Approve New Beer and Wine License for Hepi LLC (Quick Stop) located at 924 East Winthrope Ave., Millen, Ga. – Chandrakantkumar B. Patel (Charlie)**

Council member Coney made a motion, seconded by council member Scott to approve a new Beer and Wine License for Hepi LLC – Chandrakantkumar B. Patel, located at 924 East Winthrope Ave., Millen, Georgia 30442. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

1. **City Manager Report**
2. **Financials**

City Manager Brantley reviewed the finances with Mayor and Council.

1. **2016 CDBG Update – Discuss Storm Drain Plans**

Mayor and Council were informed that the paving was complete in the target area and the stripping should be completed in the next few days. They were informed that GDOT denied the Cities plan for storm water discharge from the target area into GDOT’s storm drains along US Highway 25.

1. **2018 CDBG Update**

Mayor and Council were informed plans for the 2018 CDBG were moving along on schedule.

1. **Grant Award from Georgia Firefighter Standards and Training Council**

Mayor and Council were informed that the Fire Department applied for and received a Fireworks Tax Grant in the amount of $15,111.00 to purchase 1000 feet of large diameter rubber water hose. The City has to pay $1679 as a match which is 10% of the purchase price.

1. **Discuss Water Meter Changeout**

City Manager Brantley discussed a plan to changeout the water meters in the City. Most meters are 20 years old and missing about 8-10% of the water volume passing through the meters. The new meters would have Automatic Read Capabilities. Council gave City Manager Brantley, by common consent, approval to pursue gathering financing and cost estimates and report back to council.

1. **Mayor’s Report**

Nothing to report

1. **City Attorney’s Report**

Nothing to report

1. **Executive Session – If Needed**

Not needed

1. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, Mayor Rocker adjourned the meeting at 7:01 P.M.

**Approved by Mayor and Council: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Mayor’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Attest by City Manager: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**