**Council Minutes**

**Regular Meeting**

**April 2, 2019**

A regular meeting of the Millen City Council was held on April 2, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Present were Mayor King Rocker, Council Members Darrel Clifton, Regina Coney, Ed Fuller, and Robin Scott. Absent was Council Member 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. **GMA Retirement Specialist Presentation – Michelle Warner and Randy Briskin**

Michelle Warner and Randy Briskin discussed options to enhance the City’s retirement plan. They discussed the 457b and the 401a plans available through the Georgia Municipal Association.

1. **Consent Agenda**

**Approve Minutes from March 5, 2019 Regular Meeting**

Council Member Clifton made a motion, seconded by Council Member Scott to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from March 5, 2019. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

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

City Manager Brantley reviewed the monthly and year to date financials with Mayor and Council.

1. **2016 CDBG Update**

Mayor and Council were informed the 2016 CDBG project has been extended to the end of April 2019 to allow time to finish the Storm Water addition to the grant. GDOT has approved the plan and easements have been signed by the property owners allowing the work on their properties.

1. **RDF Grant Update**

Mayor and Council were informed that the bid opening date was changed from March 27, 2019 to April 11, 2019 per recommendation from the Architect. Several contractors requested more time to complete environmental sampling on the property.

1. **School Sewer Improvement Update**

The pipe bursting for the project is complete. The open bury section on Daniel Street and Cleveland is the final section to be completed on the project. Work should be complete by the end of April, 2019.

1. **Streetscape Update**

Mayor and Council were informed that the Streetscape project was moving along on schedule. The North side of Winthrope Avenue would be complete in a few days and the South side of Winthrope Avenue would be complete in about 1 month. After Winthrope Avenue is complete the contractor will begin working on Daniel Street. The project should finish in June, 2019.

1. **2019 CHIP Grant Award - $300,000**

City Manager Brantley informed the Mayor and Council that the City’s 2019 CHIP Grant was approved for $300,000. The grant funds would be available around September 2019. The funds would be used to remodel low income, owner occupied houses in the City. Residents can call in to be added to a waiting list, and applicants are taken in order on a “first come first serve” basis.

1. **Other Reports**

Mayor and Council were informed that the GEFA loan request for the water meter changeout didn’t receive the Debt Forgiveness Award due to the environmental review not being complete by the end of March. Without the points for the environmental our score wasn’t high enough for this year’s award. The City can reapply in November 2019 and use the environmental that should be complete in April 2019.

1. **Mayor’s Report**

Mayor Rocker updated Council on his conversations with the EPD through State Representative Jon Burns office regarding the City’s WWTP renewal.

1. **City Attorney Report**

No Report

1. **Executive Session – If Needed**

None Needed

1. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, Mayor Rocker adjourned the meeting at 7:05P.M.

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

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

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