

**Council Minutes
Millen City Council
August 4, 2026**

A regular meeting of the Millen City Council was held on August 4, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Present were Mayor King Rocker, Council Members, Andrew Allen, Joel Carter Sr., Darrel Clifton, Regina Coney, and Robin Scott. Also, present were City Attorney Andrew Lavoie, City Manager Jeff Brantley, and others on the attached list.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Rocker called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Invocation

Council Member Clifton gave the invocation.

3. Consent Agenda

Approve Minutes from July 7, 2026

Council Member Clifton made a motion, seconded by Council Member Scott to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was carried by unanimous vote 6-0.

4. Review and Approve Beer and Wine Package Sales renewal application for Family Dollar Store #20961 at 710 E. Winthrope Avenue

Council Member Coney made a motion, seconded by Council Member Carter to approve the beer and wine package sales renewal application for Family Dollar Store #20961 located at 710 E. Winthrope Avenue. The motion was carried by unanimous vote 6-0.

5. Review and Approve Millen Police Department General Order 26-01 Flock Safety ALPR Camera System Policy

Council Member Coney made a motion, seconded by Council Member Allen to approve the Millen Police Department General Order 26-01 Flock Safety ALPR Camera System Policy. The motion was carried by unanimous vote 6-0.

6. City Engineer - Parker Engineering to review design options for Old Waynesboro Road Sidewalk Project

City Engineer Wesley Parker reviewed options for the sidewalk project on Old Waynesboro Road. He explained due to water drainage the style of sidewalk may vary along the route. Council, by common consent, instructed Mr. Parker to move forward with design with safety as the top priority. Also to begin the sidewalk at the Barney Avenue intersection and work south as far as the funds would allow.

7. Review and Approve Georgia Transportation Infrastructure Bank Agreement for Grant Program

Council Member Clifton made a motion, seconded by Council Member Coney to approve the grant agreement with the Georgia Transportation Infrastructure Bank allowing Mayor Rocker to sign the agreement. The motion was carried by unanimous vote 6-0.

8. City Manager Report

A. Financials

City Manager Brantley reviewed the July monthly financials with Council. He noted net revenue for July was - \$208,898.83 with a lower revenue for July of \$410,192. He noted two large out of ordinary expenses for the month and the amount of outstanding 2025 property taxes were \$59,688. Payroll expenses were higher due to 5 weekly payrolls and 3 bi-weekly payrolls for July.

B. Grant Updates

City Manager Brantley updated Mayor and Council on several grants with activity. The GEFA SEP grant for \$112,000 has been amended to an amount of \$140,000.00. The excess money needs to be spent by September 30, 2026. Energy efficient lighting upgrades to the buildings are being planned. A public hearing is planned for August 13, 2026 at 10:00 am in the Council Chambers for the 2026 CDBG-DR grant. The SEID grant is complete except for the boring of the railroad tracts. There was one signature left at Norfolk Southern to finalize the permit. The 2023 CDBG final draw should be received next week. Then this grant can be closed out.

9. Mayor's Comments/Report

No Comment

10. City Attorney Comments/Report

City Attorney Andrew Lavoie presented the first draft of an Entertainment District to Mayor and Council. This draft was discussed by Mayor and Council.

11. Council Member Comments/Reports

Council Member Clifton asked if anyone had seen a video about Millen "What happened to Millen". No one had seen the video. He asked about the recent cyber system attacks on water systems and was our system protected. He was informed that most of our systems have manual controls and are not vulnerable to cyber-attacks. He asked if we were having more water leaks than usual. He was informed no more than usual, most leaks are on the service lines from the mains to the meter and are more frequent with extreme hot and cold temperatures. He also discussed the Counties recent decision not to move forward with a Blight Tax.

12. Executive Session

Not Needed

13. Adjournment

There being no further business Mayor Rocker adjourned the meeting at 7:18 P.M.

Approved by Mayor and Council: _____

Mayor's Signature: _____

Attest by the City Manager: _____