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THE CITY OF  
*Flemington*

GEORGIA

CITY HALL  
156 OLD SUNBURY ROAD  
FLEMINGTON, GA 31313

*Paul Hawkins*, MAYOR

CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
DECEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2020



**PRESENT AT CITY HALL:** Mayor Paul Hawkins  
Jenelle Gordon, City Clerk  
Craig Stafford, City Attorney  
Deputy SGT Grant Porter, Liberty County Sheriff's Office

**PRESENT VIA ZOOM:  
(VIDEO CONFERENCING)** Mayor Pro Tem Palmer Dasher  
Council Member David Edwards  
Council Member Leigh Smiley  
Council Member Rene' Harwell  
Council Member Hasit Patel

**ABSENT:** Council Member Gail Evans

1. The regularly scheduled meeting of the City of Flemington was called to order by Mayor Paul Hawkins on Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 4:34 p.m. in the conference room at City Hall in Flemington, GA. A quorum necessary to conduct business was visibly present via Zoom video conferencing.
2. Mayor Hawkins welcomed all attendees, both in person and on Zoom. Zoom participants were instructed to keep their sound muted until they needed to speak.
3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Hawkins.
4. *Councilman Edwards made a motion to accept the November 10<sup>th</sup> minutes as written. Councilwoman Harwell seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed. Councilwoman Harwell made a motion to accept the November 12<sup>th</sup> minutes as written. Councilman Edwards seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed.*
5. SGT Grant Porter was in attendance to provide Council with a list of law enforcement statistics for the month of November.
6. Council reviewed the Expense Report for the month of November.
7. **New Business:**
  - a. Ms. Mardee Sanchez with the Liberty Consolidated Planning Commission presented Council with Tranquil South's Phase 3 final plat and acceptance of dedications. After some concerns were raised regarding possible flooding to some of the lots, Mr. Trent Long, Engineer for the project, assured Council that the house pads on those lots were built up a foot above flood elevation and that a Letter of Map Revision had been filed with FEMA. *Councilwoman Harwell made a motion to approve the final plat for Tranquil South Phase 3 and acceptance of dedications as noted on the plat with standard conditions. Councilman Dasher seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed. \*Councilwoman Smiley recused herself due to conflict of interest.\**
  - b. Mayor Hawkins stated that the face of City Hall had aged and was in need of scraping and repainting. He presented Council with three bids. *Councilwoman Smiley made a motion to approve the lowest*

*bidder, Mr. Allen Sylvester to paint the front of City Hall at the cost of \$2800.00. Councilman Edwards seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed.*

c. Mayor Hawkins reported that Liberty Transit had a new operator, First Transit. The contract had begun November 1<sup>st</sup>.

**8. Business in Progress:**

**a. Status Updates**

i. *Councilman Edwards made a motion to adopt the Solid Waste Ordinance. Councilman Patel seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed.*

b. No Update

- i. Old Sunbury Rd. designation as a state road: Next update is expected in 2023.
- ii. Millage Rate: No change.

**9. Completed Business**

a. Mayor Hawkins shared that the Tree Lighting Event was a success.

10. Mr. Larry Golden and Ms. Lisa Lee from Golden & Associates, CPA's presented their preliminary audit of Fiscal Year 2020. *Councilwoman Smiley made a motion to approve the preliminary audit of Fiscal Year 2020. Councilman Dasher seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed.*

11. *Councilman Edwards made a motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of Personnel. Councilman Dasher seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed and Executive Session began @ 6:13 p.m.*

The Mayor resumed Open Session at 6:19 p.m.

*Councilman Dasher made a motion to approve the Executive Session decision. Councilman Edwards seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed.*

12. **Adjourn:** *Councilman Edwards made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Harwell. All approved. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 5:48 p.m.*

Respectfully Prepared and Submitted by:



Jenelle Gordon, City Clerk

Approved by City Council: XXXXXX as written/corrected.



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