# City of Flemington

### November 13th, 2018

**PRESENT:** Mayor Paul Hawkins

Council Member Donnie Smith

Council Member David Edwards (entered the meeting @ 4:55 pm)

Council Member Gail Evans Council Member Rene Harwell

Council Member Keith Moran (exited the meeting @ 5:21 pm)

ALSO PRESENT: City Attorney Craig Stafford

City Clerk Jenelle Gordon

**ABSENT:** Mayor Pro Tem Palmer Dasher

- 1. The regularly scheduled meeting of the City of Flemington was called to order by Mayor Hawkins on Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 4:32 pm. in the conference room at City Hall in Flemington, GA. A quorum necessary to conduct business was visibly present.
- 2. Invocation by Mayor Hawkins, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance by Councilman Moran.
- 3. Councilwoman Smith made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the October meeting and to approve them with corrections. Councilman Moran seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed.
- 4. Flemington Sheriff Deputy Eric Allen was in attendance to provide Council with a list of law enforcement statistics for the month of October.
- Council reviewed the City Expense Report for October. Councilwoman Evans inquired about the status of the LaQuinta. City Clerk Jenelle Gordon responded that the matter was still under investigation.
- 6. Theodis Jackson from Liberty Transit was unable to attend the meeting. Mayor Hawkins stated that he would like quarterly updates to Council from Liberty Transit.
- 7. Gabby Hartage, of Liberty Consolidated Planning Commission, came before Council.
  - a. Flood Ordinance Update. Ms. Hartage presented Council with the updated Flood Ordinance which contained very slight verbiage changes required by FEMA. (Printed in the Coastal Courier on 11/10/18). Councilwoman Harwell made a motion to approve the revision of the Flood Ordinance. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Evans. All approved. Motion passed.
  - b. A new business license request was made for Mr. Adam Freeman for Williams Village (formerly known as Denmark Mobile Home Park 938 Old Sunbury Road). Ms. Hartage stated that once the 4 RV's that are currently there move, they could not be replaced. Additionally, any new manufactured homes added would be up to code. Mr. Freeman will go through the LCPC to bring in any new manufactured homes and to work with him on signage. Mr. Freeman stated that he has been working hard on cleaning up the property. Councilwoman Evans made a motion to approve the business license with the provision

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that once the current RV's leave the park, they would not be replaced. Seconded by Councilwoman Smith. All approved. Motion passed.

- 8. Mayor Hawkins gave the first reading of the synopsis of the Charter Amendment Ordinance under Home Rule. (Published in the Coastal Courier 11/10/18). Councilman Moran made a motion to accept the Charter Amendment. Councilwoman Harwell seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed.
- 9. Bill Ross, of Ross & Associates, presented two items to Council.
  - a. Mr. Ross gave the first reading of the Impact Fee Ordinance. (Printed in the Coastal Courier on 11/10/18). A second, final reading and vote will take place at the December meeting. There was no Council discussion. Councilwoman Smith motioned to approve the Impact Fee Ordinance. Councilman Edwards seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed. A motion for a second reading at the next scheduled Council meeting was made by Councilwoman Evans. Councilman Moran seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed.
  - b. Mr. Ross presented the Capital Improvement Element Adoption Resolution. Mr. Stafford gave the first reading. Councilman Edwards made a motion to adopt the Capital Improvement Element Adoption Resolution. Councilwoman Harwell seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed.
- 10. Matthew Barrow, of PC Simonton & Associates presented to Council.
  - a. Old Sunbury Road Reclassification Update Mr. Barrow updated Council that Old Sunbury Road has been approved for reclassification to a State/Federal Road. Old Sunbury Road is a strategic road for the military and the only route around Ft. Stewart. DOT will bring the road to State standards, which includes possible improvements, including resurfacing, restriping and maintenance (not landscaping). This reclassification to a State Route would originate at Old Sunbury Road from Hwy 84, through Fort Stewart, until the road dead ends at Hwy 144. Mr. Barrow stated that to proceed with the reclassification, the City would simply need to compose a letter to DOT (with the assistance of Mr. Barrow & the LCPC) requesting reclassification of Old Sunbury Road to a State Route. Mr. Barrow stated to let him know how the city wants to proceed.
  - b. Signalization Update Construction beginning summer 2020, best-case scenario. The signalization was fully funded in 2011.
  - Shawn Ct. Update 110 feet of Shawn Ct. will be paved in December. The funding will come from the 2018 LMIG funds.
  - d. 2019 LMIG Mr. Barrow stated that the 2019 funds could be banked to pay for larger projects, which are substantially more than the LMIG grant. Mr. Barrow requested that if any members of Council would like to suggest a smaller project for the 2019 LMIG application to please let him know before the December meeting.
  - e. Kallquist Drainage Update Mr. Barrow stated the wetlands have been delineated. There were less wetlands than were anticipated. The Preliminary Design has been completed. An updated estimate is \$105,000.00, including contingencies. Mr. Barrow requested to move forward to the construction contract bid process to get an actual cost for presentation at the January 2019 meeting. Councilman Moran made a motion to move forward with the construction bid process. Seconded by Councilwoman Harwell. All approved. Motion passed.

#### 11. New Business

a. Holiday Hams – Mayor Hawkins asked Council if they would like to give out Holiday Hams this season for Councilmembers, staff, City LEO and key supporting agency staff. Councilwoman Smith made a motion for the approval of the purchase of 14 holiday hams. Councilwoman Evans seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed.

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- b. Recognizing Hoteliers Mayor Hawkins asked if Council wanted to give fruit baskets to the Hoteliers, as was done the previous year. After some light discussion, it was agreeable amongst all that recognizing a single business group and not all Flemington businesses should not be a customary practice.
- c. Mayor Hawkins reminded Council that Flemington would be participating in the Hinesville Christmas Parade on the 30<sup>th</sup>. The car would be decorated as a checkerboard, in line with the theme of the parade. An invitation to ride in the car in the parade was extended to all Council members. Councilman Edwards accepted.
- d. Councilwoman Harwell stated that Keep Liberty Beautiful has received awards at State banquets.
- e. Councilwoman Evans stated that she would like a Workshop to be scheduled in the future regarding a comprehensive plan for commercial zoning.
- f. City Clerk Jenelle Gordon stated that Tree Lighting invitations had been mailed, as well as the business license packets.

#### 12. Unfinished Business

- a. Mayor Hawkins stated that he would still like to meet with the City of Hinesville to receive the actual numbers that constitute Flemington's share for fire services billing.
- 13. Adjourn Councilwoman Harwell motioned to adjourn. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Evans. All approved. Meeting adjourned at 5:37 pm.