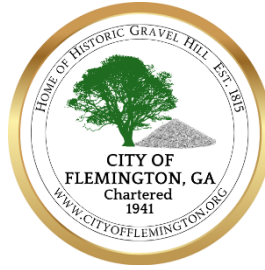


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**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**MILLAGE RATE PUBLIC HEARING #2**  
**AUGUST 16<sup>TH</sup>, 2025 AT 10:00 A.M.**  
**FLEMINGTON CITY HALL - 156 OLD SUNBURY RD**

Present at City Hall: Mayor Pro Tempore David Edwards ("MPT")  
Councilwoman Rene' Harwell (exited @ 10:57 a.m.)  
Councilman Larry Logan (exited @ 10:27 a.m.)  
Councilman Hasit Patel  
Councilwoman Leigh Smiley  
Jenelle Gordon, City Clerk  
LT Anthony Gallob, Liberty County Sheriff's Office ("LCSO")

Present via Phone: None

Absent: Mayor Paul Hawkins  
Councilwoman Gail Evans  
Craig Stafford, City Attorney

1. The millage rate public hearing #2 of the Council of the City of Flemington was called to order by Mayor Pro Tempore Edwards on Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. in the Council Room at Flemington City Hall. A quorum necessary to conduct business was visibly present.
2. MPT Edwards welcomed all attendees and shared some quick expectations of decorum for a productive public hearing.
3. MPT Edwards gave a presentation regarding the reasons for the necessity of a millage rate to be enacted in order to balance the budget and provide services to the citizens.
4. After the presentation concluded, the MPT opened the floor to public comment and asked if any member of the audience in attendance wished to speak. Although the public hearing was for the proposed millage rate, it morphed into a town hall-style Q&A session. The overwhelming majority of comments were centered around homeowners' associations, a few general questions about special fund revenues (and allowable usages), and one question about the city having its own police department.
5. The Council reconfirmed that the millage rate was to maintain current services and to grow; citing the need for a much larger city hall, parks and recreation, and eventually standing up a Flemington police and fire department.
6. With no other public comments or questions regarding the proposed millage rate, the public hearing adjourned at 6:25 p.m.