

City of Flemington

November 12th, 2019

PRESENT: Mayor Paul Hawkins
Mayor Pro Tem Palmer Dasher
Council Member Donnie Smith
Council Member David Edwards
Council Member Gail Evans
Council Member Rene Harwell

ALSO PRESENT: City Attorney Craig Stafford
City Clerk Jenelle Gordon
SGT Jason Colvin

ABSENT: Council Member Leigh Smiley

1. The regularly scheduled meeting of the City of Flemington was called to order by Mayor Paul Hawkins on Tuesday, November 12th, 2019 at 4:32 p.m. 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 Edwards.
3. *Councilman Dasher motioned to dispense with the reading of the October minutes and accept them as written. Councilman Edwards seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed.*
4. SGT Colvin was in attendance to provide council with a list of statistics for the month of October.
5. Council reviewed the City Expense Report for October.
6. Ms. Gabby Hartage from the LCPC was in attendance to present business license requests for Flemington Collision (owned by James Haney) and Tony's Auto Repair Upholstery (owned by Kennia Savala) at 1161-C E. Oglethorpe Highway. *Councilwoman Harwell made a motion to approve the business license for Flemington Collision with standard conditions. Councilwoman Evans seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed. Councilman Edwards made a motion to approve the business license for Tony's Auto Repair Upholstery with standard conditions. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Smith. All approved. The motion passed.*
7. Mr. Joey Brown and Mr. J. Kelly Davis came before Council to request the adoption of the Transportation Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (TSPLOST) Resolution. *Councilman Edwards made a motion to adopt the TSPLOST Resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Harwell. All approved. The motion passed.*
8. Mr. Marcus Sack from PC Simonton was in attendance to present to Council the results of the Landscaping Contract bids. Mr. Sack reported that the request for bids was published in the Coastal Courier (printed October 30th, 2019) and was also sent to prequalified plan holders, maintaining total transparency. The request for bids resulted in only two bid submissions, both from the current contract holders.
 - a. *Councilwoman Smith made a motion to award the citywide landscaping portions of the scope of services to Jody Smiley Landscaping and City Hall grounds portion to Flemington Outdoor Maintenance for a period of three years beginning January 1st, 2020 and with the option to extend the contracts for an additional six months at the end of the*

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contract. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Evans. All approved. The motion passed.

- b. *Councilman Edwards made a motion to extend Jody Smiley Landscaping and Flemington Outdoor Maintenance that expired on October 31st, 2019 through December 31st, 2019. Councilwoman Evans seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed.*

*****Councilwoman Harwell abstained from voting for the landscaping contract awards and contract extensions due to conflict of interest.***

9. New Business

- a. Mayor Hawkins addressed Council regarding the imminent need for additional storage at City Hall. His proposed solution was enclosing a portion of the screened in back porch to create a shelved storage room, to which he had received three quotes. The general consensus of Council was that the storage room should encompass the back porch in its entirety. The discussion was tabled until modified quotes had been received and brought back to the Council.
- b. Mayor Hawkins stated that he had received a request from Leah Poole at the Chamber of Commerce for a donation of the old City Hall windows that were replaced, to which he had given her three. Mayor Hawkins further relayed to Ms. Poole that he would need Council's approval before gifting her the remaining old windows. *Councilman Dasher made a motion to donate all of the old windows to the Chamber of Commerce. The motion was seconded by Councilman Edwards. All approved. The motion passed.*

10. Unfinished Business

- a. The Council consensus was that the Annual Tree Lighting Event should be held on December 3rd at 6:00 p.m. Councilwoman Harwell volunteered to secure and oversee the catering for the event.
- b. Mayor Hawkins extended an invitation to all of Council to participate in the Hinesville Christmas Parade on December 6th. "A Parade of States" was the theme and Alaska had been selected. Several members of Council expressed their interest in participating.

10. Adjourn – *Councilman Dasher made a motion to adjourn. The motion seconded by Councilwoman Harwell. All approved. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m.*