

# City of Flemington

April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019

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

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

**ABSENT:** NONE

1. The regularly scheduled meeting of the City of Flemington was called to order by Mayor Hawkins on Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 4:30 pm. in the conference room at City Hall in Flemington, GA. A quorum necessary to conduct business was visibly present.
2. Invocation by Councilman Dasher, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance by Councilwoman Smith.
3. *Councilman Edwards made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the March meeting and to approve them as written. Councilman Dasher seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed.*
4. Flemington Sheriff Deputy SGT Jason Colvin was in attendance to provide Council with a list of law enforcement statistics for the month of March.
5. Council reviewed the City Expense Report for March.
6. Ms. Gabby Hartage with the LCPC presented Council with a variance request for 247 W. Daryl Drive. Approximately a one foot encroachment of the corner of the garage was within the easement. *Councilwoman Evans made a motion to approve the encroachment variance request for 247 W. Daryl Drive with standard conditions. Councilwoman Smith seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed.*
7. Ms. Karen Bell gave a presentation to Council on Keep Liberty Beautiful and their efforts around Liberty County and the state of Georgia. KLB won several awards, both locally and nationally. Notably, KLB won a Home Depot grant for the Veterans Walk in Bryant Commons. Annually, KLB hosts Keep Rivers Alive and Citywide Cleanups.
8. Mr. Phil Odom presented to Council a request for their support in opposing seismic testing and offshore drilling by passing a resolution to help the oceanic macro life. *Councilwoman Evans*

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*made a motion to approve the Resolution Opposing Offshore Seismic Testing and Drilling off the coast. Motion seconded by Councilman Dasher. All approved. Motion passed.*

**\*\*** Mayor Hawkins shifted the Agenda to move Unfinished Business before New Business. **\*\***

## 9. Unfinished Business

- a. Mr. Hasit Patel was in attendance to explain to Council how the Notice of Deficiency Determination for LaQuinta came to be and the steps taken to correct the reporting issue. He assured Council that the issue had been resolved.

## 10. New Business

- a. Vacant Council Seat Nominations – There was a delay in posting the resignation of Councilman Moran on the website until after legal approval was obtained. Due to that delay, the general consensus was that residents needed sufficient time and notice that there was a vacant seat. Two people had already shown interest, Leigh Smiley and Timothy Byler. Mayor Hawkins stated that anyone additionally who was interested in the vacancy should notify the City Clerk. The City Attorney suggested that at the next regularly scheduled meeting, Council enter into Executive Session to discuss the nominations and then return to Open Session to vote. *Councilman Dasher made a motion to delay the nominations for the vacant Council seat until the next regularly scheduled meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Harwell. All approved. Motion passed.*

11. Adjourn – *Councilman Dasher made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Evans. All approved. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 5:27 pm.*