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Paul Hawkins, MAYOR

City of  
**FLEMINGTON**  
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GEORGIA



City  
Hall

156 Old Sunbury Rd.  
Flemington, GA 31313

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 4:30 pm.

Flemington City Hall • Public Participation in Person or via Facebook Live

Present at City Hall: Mayor Paul Hawkins  
Mayor Pro Tem Palmer Dasher  
Councilman David Edwards  
Councilman Hasit Patel  
Councilwoman Gail Evans  
Councilwoman Rene' Harwell  
Councilwoman Leigh Smiley  
Jenelle Gordon, City Clerk  
SGT Anthony Gallob, Liberty County Sheriff's Office ("LCSO")  
Craig Stafford, City Attorney

Present via Zoom: None  
(VIDEO CONFERENCING)

Absent: None

1. The regularly scheduled meeting of the Council of the City of Flemington was called to order by Mayor Paul Hawkins on Tuesday, July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 4:32 p.m. in the Council Room at Flemington City Hall. A quorum necessary to conduct business was visibly present.
2. Mayor Hawkins welcomed all attendees, both in person and virtually.
3. The invocation was given by Mayor Hawkins and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilwoman Harwell.
4. *Councilman Dasher made a motion to accept the minutes from the June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 regular meeting minutes as written. Councilwoman Evans seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed.*
5. SGT Anthony Gallob was in attendance to provide Council with a list of law enforcement statistics for the month of June.
6. Council reviewed the Expense Report for the month of June.
7. Ms. Leah Poole, CEO of the Liberty County Chamber of Commerce, presented a bi-annual update which highlighted the accomplishments of the Chamber over the last six months.
8. **NEW BUSINESS**
  - a. Ms. Gabby Hartage from the Liberty Consolidated Planning Commission ("LCPC") came before Council with a business license request from Ms. Gretta Logan for a home-based event planning business to be conducted at 382 Old Savannah Road. *Councilwoman Smiley made a motion to approve the business license. Councilwoman Harwell seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed.*

b. Ms. Mardee Sanchez from the LCPC came before Council with two matters of business:

- First was the creation of an excavation ordinance. It is proposed that in order for someone to cut across a city road, they would be required to obtain a permit and hold a security bond for two years after completion of the road cut to ensure the repair was done properly and the pavement/road renewed to colored asphalt. The LCPC would be the point of contact when this arises.
- The second item proposed was an update to the subdivision regulations to clearly show that the water system in Flemington is owned by the City of Hinesville, and therefore the responsibility of approvals or denials of connections are theirs.

Ms. Sanchez will place the notifications in our legal organ to discuss adoption of these two items at an upcoming Council meeting.

9. BUSINESS IN PROGRESS

a. *Status Update(s)*

- *Councilwoman Smiley made a motion to approve the FY22 budget. The motion was seconded by Councilman Edwards. All approved. The motion passed.*
- Mayor Hawkins presented an opportunity to renew the advertisement of the City in the Liberty County magazine. The half page ad would cost \$900.00. *Councilman Edwards made a motion to place the ad in the Liberty County magazine. Councilwoman Harwell seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-1, with Councilman Dasher voting nay.*
- There were two donation requests. One from the Boy Scouts of America and the other the Manna House. It was tabled until a representative comes to request it in person.
- Councilman Patel reported that the fire committee is awaiting a final bid to clear the land across from City Hall before they make a recommendation to the Council.

b. *No Update(s)*

- Old Sunbury Rd. to a State Road (next update expected in 2023)
- Construction for Signalization at the Curve (delayed – start date unknown)
  - Water & Sewer Relocation
  - Sidewalks from OC Martin to Liberty High School
- LED Reader Boards for the City
- American Rescue Fund

10. COMPLETED BUSINESS

a. none

11. *Councilman Edwards made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Harwell seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.*

Respectfully Prepared and Submitted by:

  
Jenelle Gordon, City Clerk

Approved by City Council: July 13th, 2021 as written.