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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

May 10th, 2022 at 4:30 pm.

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

Present at City Hall: Mayor Paul Hawkins
Councilman Hasit Patel
Councilwoman Gail Evans
Councilman Larry Logan
Councilwoman Leigh Smiley
Councilwoman Rene' Harwell
Jenelle Gordon, City Clerk
SGT Anthony Gallob, Liberty County Sheriff's Office ("LCSO")

Present via Telephone:
(OR ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCING) None

Absent: Mayor Pro Tem David Edwards
Craig Stafford, City Attorney

1. The regularly scheduled meeting of the Council of the City of Flemington was called to order by Mayor Paul Hawkins on Tuesday, May 10th, 2022 at 4:42 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 Councilman Logan and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilwoman Smiley.
4. *Councilwoman Evans made a motion to accept the minutes from the April 12th, 2022 regular meeting minutes as written. Councilman Patel seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed.*
5. SGT Anthony Gallob was in attendance and presented Council with a list of law enforcement statistics for the month of April 2022. With the Charger rapidly aging, SGT Gallob requested a new law enforcement truck. Mayor Hawkins stated that at the Small Cities conference in Dublin, the Georgia Municipal Association ("GMA") advised that law enforcement vehicles were an eligible American Rescue Plan Act ("ARPA") expense. *Councilwoman Smiley made a motion to approve the purchase of a 2022 F-150 truck from OC Welch with all the necessary fittings funded with ARPA. Councilwoman Harwell seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed.*
6. Council reviewed the Expense Report for the month of April. A draft of the FY23 budget was presented to Council. *Mayor Hawkins opened a public hearing for the FY23 budget at 5:10 p.m. Hearing no comments, the public hearing closed at 5:11 p.m.*

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Liberty Consolidated Planning Commission ("LCPC")

- i. Ms. Gabriele Hartage came before Council with a business license request for Simply Speech and Language dba Stepping Stones Therapy Services located at 115 Patriots Trail. The owner, Kacey Civitela was in attendance to answer any questions. *Councilwoman Harwell made a motion to approve the business license for Stepping Stones Therapy Services with the special condition that a certificate of occupancy must be obtained. Councilwoman Evans seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed.*
- ii. Ms. Mardee Sanchez gave a short presentation with renderings of the Hampton Inn addition that Council had previously approved.
- iii. Ms. Sanchez then presented to Council that the future Hunter's Haven apartment complex on Patriots Trail had a large number of protected live oaks on the property that would need removal for the construction. There was great concern regarding the number of trees that would have to be removed for the building and parking area and the viability of any live oaks remaining. *Councilwoman Harwell made a motion to table the request to remove the live oak trees at the future Hunter's Haven apartment complex until the City Engineer has surveyed the area and an arborist had made an assessment of the viability of any proposed remaining live oak trees. Councilwoman Evans seconded the motion. All approved. The motion to table passed.*

8. BUSINESS IN PROGRESS

Status Update(s)

- n/a

No Update(s)

- Old Sunbury Rd. to State Rd. (*next update expected in 2023*)
- Signalization @ McLarry's Curve
- TSPLOST Highway 84 Sidewalk Project
- Full Depth Reclamation of Wallace Martin Dr.
- Masters Ct. @ Tremain Dr. Drainage Repair

Completed Business

- n/a

1. ON THE HORIZON

a. May 2022

- 1st Week in May – Municipal Clerks Week
- 8th – Mother's Day
- 10th – Council Meeting
- 30th – City Hall closed in observance of Memorial Day

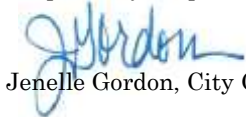
b. June 2022

- 14th – Council Meeting
- 19th – Father's Day
- 20th – City Hall closed in observance of Juneteenth
- 30th – Personal Financial Disclosures Due

16. Executive Session – (if needed)

17. Adjourn *Councilman Patel made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Evans seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 6:16 pm.*

Respectfully Prepared and Submitted by:



Jenelle Gordon, City Clerk

Approved by City Council: June 14th, 2022 as written/corrected.