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Paul Hawkins, MAYOR

City of  
**FLEMINGTON**  
★  
GEORGIA



City  
Hall

156 Old Sunbury Rd.  
Flemington, GA 31313

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES**

January 10th, 2023 at 4:30 pm.  
Flemington City Hall – 156 Old Sunbury Rd. 31313  
Public Participation in Person or Watch on Facebook Live

Present at City Hall:

Mayor Paul Hawkins  
Mayor Pro Tem David Edwards  
Councilman Hasit Patel  
Councilwoman Gail Evans  
Councilwoman Rene' Harwell  
Councilman Larry Logan  
Jenelle Gordon, City Clerk  
SGT Anthony Gallob, Liberty County Sheriff's Office ("LCSO")

Present via Telephone:  
(OR ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCING)

Craig Stafford, City Attorney

Absent:

Councilwoman Leigh Smiley

1. The regularly scheduled meeting of the Council of the City of Flemington was called to order by Mayor Paul Hawkins on Tuesday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 4:33 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 Edwards and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Hawkins.
4. *Councilwoman Evans made a motion to accept the minutes from the December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022 regular meeting minutes as written. Councilwoman Harwell seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed.*
5. SGT Anthony Gallob was in attendance and provided the law enforcement report for the month of December. He also reported that Good-to-Go Jamaican Restaurant appeared to be in non-compliance with the special exception made by the Council at the December meeting for extended hours for New Year's Eve/First Anniversary party.
6. Council reviewed the Expense Report for the month of December 2022 and the Hotel-Motel Tax Report for November 2022.
7. Ms. Emma Faircloth with the Liberty County Convention and Visitors Bureau ("CVB") narrated the CVB's bi-annual presentation featuring events, accomplishments, and accolades.
8. NEW BUSINESS
  - a. Ms. Lori Parks with the Liberty Consolidated Planning Commission ("LCPC") was present with four items for the Council.

The first was a conditional use request (#2022-079-FL) for ground-mounted solar panels in the backyard of 174 Turpentine Trail. *Councilman Edwards made a motion to approve the conditional use for ground-mounted solar panels at 154 Turpentine Trail. Councilman Logan seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed.*

The second item was a business license request for Florabelle Flowers and Gifts located at 69 Old Sunbury Rd. *Councilman Edwards made a motion to approve the business license for Florabelle Flowers and Gifts. Councilman Patel seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed,*

The final items were business license requests for within One 11 Beauty located at 1705 E. Oglethorpe Hwy. *Councilwoman Harwell made a motion to approve the business license for Bodied by O Contouring Service LLC. Councilman Patel seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed. Councilman Edwards made a motion to approve the business license for Passion 21 LLC. Councilwoman Harwell seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed.*

9. BUSINESS IN PROGRESS – Status Update(s)

- a. Mayor Hawkins reported that the TSPLOST Highway 84 sidewalk project was progressing on schedule and due to a change order, would cost approximately \$39,000 under budget.
- b. Councilman Edwards presented the updated Traffic and Vehicles ordinance which listed the speed limits for all Flemington streets. He reported that the signs for Flemington Village and Tranquil South were ready to be placed. *Councilwoman Harwell made a motion to approve the Traffic and Vehicles ordinance amendment. Councilman Patel seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed.*

\*\*\*Mayor Hawkins dispensed with the rest of the meeting and presented Councilwoman Evans with a Certificate of Achievement and a small jewelry gift in honor of 25 year of service on the Flemington City Council. \*\*\*

No Update(s)

- Millage Rate – C. Stafford
- Fire Truck Purchase Agreement – C. Stafford
- Road Maintenance Priority List – M. Sack
- Old Sunbury Rd. to State Rd. (*next update expected in 2023*)
- Law Enforcement Office Expansion (*on hold for funding*)
- City Hall Electronic Upgrades – D. Edwards

Completed Business

- None

10. ON THE HORIZON

- a. January 2023
  - 10<sup>th</sup> – Council Meeting @ 1630
  - 16<sup>th</sup> – City Hall Closed in Observance of MLK Jr. Day
  - 19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> – Councilman Edwards to Cities United in Atlanta
- b. February 2023
  - 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> – Clerk’s 2023 Spring Conference (Clerk’s Office Closed, City Hall Open)
  - 14<sup>th</sup> – Council Meeting @ 1630
  - 20<sup>th</sup> – City Hall Closed in Observance of Presidents Day

11. *Executive Session (if needed)*

12. *Councilman Edwards made a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Evans seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 5:32 p.m.*

Respectfully Prepared and Submitted by:



Jenelle Gordon, City Clerk