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Paul Hawkins, MAYOR

City of
FLEMINGTON
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City
Hall

156 Old Sunbury Rd.
Flemington, GA 31313

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES**

November 8th, 2022 at 4:30 pm.
Flemington City Hall – 156 Old Sunbury Rd. 31313
Public Participation in Person

Present at City Hall:

Mayor Paul Hawkins
Mayor Pro Tem David Edwards
Councilman Hasit Patel
Councilwoman Gail Evans
Councilwoman Leigh Smiley
Councilwoman Rene' Harwell
Jenelle Gordon, City Clerk
Craig Stafford, City Attorney

Present via Telephone:

(OR ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCING)

Councilman Larry Logan
SGT Anthony Gallob, Liberty County Sheriff's Office ("LCSO")

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, November 8th, 2022 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. *Councilwoman Evans made a motion to accept the minutes from the November 8th, 2022 regular meeting minutes as written. Councilman Edwards seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed.*
5. SGT Anthony Gallob was in attendance via Zoom and provided the law enforcement report for the month of October.
6. Council reviewed the Expense Report for the month of October.
7. **NEW BUSINESS**
Ms. Lori Parks with the Liberty Consolidated Planning Commission ("LCPC") was present with a two-part request. At the September 8th, 2022 Council meeting, Ms. Bernadette Varnedoe had submitted a home-based business license request for Lady Marksman, LLC, a gun cleaning business at her home at 225 Sapwood Way. Her request was tabled pending approval from the ATF. Ms. Parks was in contact with the ATF agents, who stated that before they could process her application fully, they required zoning approval first. *Councilman Edwards made a motion to approve the LCPC to draft and submit a letter to the ATF confirming there was appropriate zoning for Ms. Varnedoe's business. Councilwoman Evans seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed. Councilman Edwards made a motion to approve the business license for Lady Marksman,*

LLC with the special condition that ATF approval must be presented to the Clerk before the business license was issued. Councilwoman Evans seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed.

Ms. Sherry Storms, owner of The Old Savannah House B&B located at 318 Old Savannah Rd, came before Council via Zoom with a request for the Council to allow outdoor events at her B&B. She stated that management would be onsite during any event, no alcohol would be permitted, they would hire an off-duty LEO or private security, would host smaller weddings and elopements of less than 50 people, no live trees and they have purchased \$4,000.00 in trees in the last month to add to the sound barrier. Council requested a written policy and procedure of operations and tabled the request.

CPT Heath and Deputy Chief Fowler with the City of Hinesville Fire Department gave a presentation to Council outlining their duties and responsibilities as Fire Marshal and Fire Department.

8. BUSINESS IN PROGRESS – Status Update(s)

- Councilman Edwards reported that speed limit signs for Tranquil South and Flemington Village had arrived and he was working with Mr. Marcus Sack and Mr. Jeff Ricketson to review the requirements for proper placement.

No Update(s)

- Millage Rate Workshops (*early 2023*)
- Road Maintenance Priority List
- Old Sunbury Rd. to State Rd. (*next update expected in 2023*)
- Full Depth Reclamation of Wallace Martin Dr. (*on hold for funding*)
- Law Enforcement Office Expansion (*on hold for funding*)

Completed Business

- None

9. ON THE HORIZON

a. November 2022

- 11th – City Hall Closed in Observance of Veterans Day
- 12th @ 1100-1400 – Community Outreach BBQ @ Tranquil South
- 24th – 25th – City Hall Closed in Observance of Thanksgiving
- 28th @ 1800 – Annual Tree Lighting Event

b. December 2022

- 2nd – Holiday Parade
- 13th – Council Meeting
- 26th thru January 2nd – City Hall Closed

10. Executive Session (if needed)

11. *Councilman Edwards made a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Evans seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 5:34 p.m.*

Respectfully Prepared and Submitted by:



Jenelle Gordon, City Clerk