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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**

April 11th, 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
Councilwoman Rene' Harwell
Councilwoman Gail Evans
Councilman Hasit Patel
Jenelle Gordon, City Clerk
SGT Anthony Gallob, Liberty County Sheriff's Office ("LCSO")

Present via Telephone: None
(OR ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCING)

Absent: Councilman Larry Logan
Councilwoman Leigh Smiley
SGT Anthony Gallob, Liberty County Sheriff's Office ("LCSO")

1. The regularly scheduled meeting of the Council of the City of Flemington was called to order by Mayor Paul Hawkins on Tuesday, April 11th, 2023 at 4:34 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 Councilman Patel.
4. *Councilman Edwards made a motion to accept the minutes from the March 14th, 2023 regular meeting minutes as written. Councilman Patel 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 March.
6. Council reviewed the Expense Report for the month of March and it was relayed that oddly the City had not received the Hotel/Motel reports from Mr. Whitford and that they would be disseminated via email once received.
7. The Council presented a Proclamation for Earth Day 2023 to Dr. Karen Bell, director of Keep Liberty Beautiful.
8. NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Mardee Sanchez with the Liberty Consolidated Planning Commission ("LCPC") came before Council with the design for the future Wawa convenience store and gas station at 769 E. Oglethorpe Hwy. With the bulk of the business within Hinesville City limits, the Flemington side encompassed some parking, the dumpsters, and a sign. Ms. Sanchez stated that the Flemington gateway sign would remain at its present location and that

a sign permit for the gas price sign would come before Council at a later date. *Councilman Patel made a motion to approve the design for Wawa. Councilwoman Harwell seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed.*

Ms. Lori Parks with the LCPC presented Council with an application for a home-based business for Done Right Garage Doors LLC, located at 460 Thorp Circle. The owner, Mr. Joseph Lumpkin was in attendance and confirmed that all interactions with his customers would be at their residence. *Councilman Edwards made a motion to approve the business license for Done Right Garage Doors LLC. Councilwoman Evans seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed.*

Ms. Mary Therkildsen with Tri-County Protective Agency came before Council to request a public lending library be placed in the City of Flemington. Ms. Therkildsen stated that the “library” looks like a small cabinet on a pole and that the agency would provide all of the stocking of the lending library and maintenance, however, the City would need to bear the cost of installation. Several ideas of where Ms. Therkildsen may inquire about the lending library could be located were suggested. *Councilwoman Harwell made a motion to approve the installation of the lending library for Tri-County Protective Services. Councilman Edwards seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed.*

9. BUSINESS IN PROGRESS – Status Update(s)

- a. Mayor Hawkins reported that the impact fees for Hunter’s Haven apartments had been remitted in full by Talon Development LLC.
- b. Mr. Larry Golden with Golden & Associates, CPA’s came before Council to report that his firm was still in the process of completing the FY22 audit. He stated that no significant deficiencies were found and that he would like the Governance Board to hold a workshop on May 3rd, and that he would return to Council in May with the completed FY22 audit.

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. April 2023
 - 11th – Council Meeting @ 1630
 - 21st – Earth Day @ Bryant Commons (CoF will have a tent)
 - 22nd – Great American Cleanup @ 0830
- b. May 2023
 - 3rd – FY22 Audit Governance Board Meeting @ 1030
 - 9th – Council Meeting @ 1630
 - 29th – City Hall closed for Memorial Day

11. *Executive Session (if needed)*

12. *Councilwoman Harwell made a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Evans seconded the motion. All approved. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 5:35p.m.*

Respectfully Prepared and Submitted by:



Jenelle Gordon, City Clerk