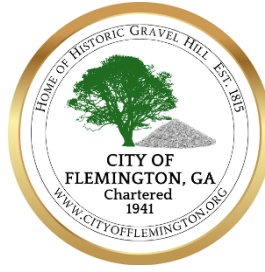


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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
MILLAGE RATE PUBLIC
HEARING #1
AUGUST 8TH, 2025 AT 6:00 P.M.
FLEMINGTON CITY HALL
156 OLD SUNBURY RD

Present at City Hall: Mayor Pro Tempore David Edwards ("MPT")
Councilwoman Rene' Harwell
Councilman Larry Logan
Councilwoman Gail Evans
Councilman Hasit Patel
Councilwoman Leigh Smiley
Jenelle Gordon, City Clerk
Deputy Robert Wilson, Liberty County Sheriff's Office ("LCSO")

Present via Phone: None

Absent: Mayor Paul Hawkins
Craig Stafford, City Attorney

1. The millage rate public hearing #1 of the Council of the City of Flemington was called to order by Mayor Pro Tempore Edwards on Friday, August 8th, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Room at Flemington City Hall. A quorum necessary to conduct business was visibly present.
2. MPT Edwards welcomed all attendees and shared some quick expectations of decorum for a productive public hearing.
3. MPT Edwards gave a presentation regarding the reasons for the necessity of a millage rate to be enacted in order to balance the budget and provide services to the citizens.

After the presentation concluded, the MPT opened the floor to public comment and asked if any member of the audience in attendance had any questions. One question was asked that did not directly pertain to the millage rate (drainage issue with heavy rain).

4. The Council stated they do not wish to tax people out of their homes. That they were able to reduce the initial millage rate of 3.514 mills in December 2025 to 2.829 mills for FY26 – a reduction of 19.5%. They confirmed that they have heard the input from the citizens that are requesting parks and recreation; however, those things must be funded. They urged citizens to seek any homestead exemptions they may qualify for.
5. With no other public comments or questions, the public hearing adjourned at 6:25 p.m.