

COMMUNITY

James Logan Johnson Mullins sworn in as Fleming County Schools Resource Officer

CITY COUNCIL APPROVES 1ST READING OF 2026-2027 TAX RATES

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Members of the Flemingsburg City Council, along with Mayor Van Alexander, met on Monday, Aug. 10, 2026, at 6:00pm, at the City Annex building, for their regularly scheduled monthly meeting, which was broadcast live on the FCA-TV Facebook page.

Mayor Alexander called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance; a prayer; roll call with all council members present; and approval of the minutes from last month's regularly scheduled meeting and special-called meeting held on July 13th and July 27th, 2026.

Under Old Business, the council approved the tabling of the 2nd reading amending the animal ordinance, which will be addressed during next month's meeting. The court then approved the 2nd reading of the shipping container ordinance.

Under New Business, the council approved the 1st reading of an ordinance setting the 2026-2027 Property Tax Rate at the compensating rate of .1520cents per \$100 of assessed value, which is slightly increased; and approved the 1st reading of an ordinance setting the 2026-2027 Motor Vehicle Tax Rate at .198cents per \$100 of assessed value, which hasn't been changed



since 1983.

The council approved the tabling of the 1st reading of an amendment to the nuisance ordinance, which will be further discussed at a later date.

Flemingsburg Police Chief Daniel Pollock introduced James Logan Johnson Mullins to be sworn in as a Fleming County Schools Resource Officer. Mr. Mullins has 10 years of law enforcement experience and comes to the Department from the Fleming County Sheriff's Office. He initially began his law enforcement career in 2016 with the Carlisle Police Department becoming a K-9 Officer, before moving on to the Harrison County Sheriff's Office, and eventually moving to Fleming County to work with the Fleming County Sheriff's Office.

The council then went into closed session and resumed the meeting a short time later.

As the meeting resumed, the council approved to surplus 100 feet of property at the end

of Cardinal Lane, which will be offered at public auction at a minimum bid that was discussed during closed session.

The council approved a resolution of the Spates Avenue additional water replacement project, at an approximate cost of \$265,000.00, to apply for ARC (Appalachian Regional Commission) funding; approved a resolution for GRANTS funds for the Spates Avenue project; approved the required match; and approved to bring an engineer on board, as well.

The council then heard the Department Reports, which include Administration; Codes; FCA-TV; Police; Streets; Water & Gas; and Wastewater.

The council then heard the Committee Reports, which include Buildings and Grounds; Employee and Public Safety; Finance; and Parks and Recreation.

Following Council Member's comments and the Mayor's comments the meeting was subsequently adjourned.

City of Flemingsburg honors Sgt. Jacob Hartzel

On Thursday, Aug. 6, 2026, the City of Flemingsburg was honored to celebrate the pinning of Sergeant Jacob Hartzel, a well-deserved milestone in his law enforcement career.

Since joining the City in 2015, Jacob has demonstrated unwavering dedication, professionalism, and a commitment to serving and protecting our community. His promotion to Sergeant reflects the leadership and character he brings to the department every day.

A special moment during the ceremony was having his wife, Mandy, and their daughters, Zoey and Molly, take part in the pinning. Behind every officer is a family who shares in the sacrifices and supports them through every challenge, and we are grateful for their love and encouragement.

Please join in congratulating Sergeant Jacob Hartzel on this well-earned promotion! The City of Flemingsburg is proud to have him serving our community and look forward to his continued leadership with the City Police Department.

Many of you know Sgt. Hartzel as one of Fleming County Schools Resource Officers. He will remain in his current role serving the schools, while also taking on the responsibility of being the first-line supervisor of the School Resource Officer (SRO) Program.

Congratulations, Sergeant Hartzel! Thank



you for your continued commitment to the students, staff, and community we proudly serve. (photos courtesy of City of Flemingsburg Facebook page)



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