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Nathan Walker
MAYOR

THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF MONTEREY, PUTNAM COUNTY, TENNESSEE, MET IN REGULAR SESSION AT THE MONTEREY MUNICIPAL BUILDING OF SAID TOWN ON MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2023, AT 7:00 PM.

The meeting was called to order by Interim Mayor Mark Farley.

Upon roll call the following aldermen were present:

Amy Martin	Alex Garcia	Jim Whitaker	Mark Farley
James Foster	Jim Wolfgram	Charles Looper	Bill Wiggins

There being a quorum present, and so declared, the following business was transacted:

Invocation: Rev. Jeff Leonard

Pledge to the Flag: Alderman Jim Wolfgram

PUBLIC COMMENT: Rebecca Iaquinta addressed the board and stated just because you can, doesn't mean you should.

Suzy Jackson addressed the board and stated that there is water standing in front of her house and she would like for someone to look into this. She also stated that she people are running off the road by her house and that needs to be looked into also. She stated that the board needed to let the citizens make the decision on who the next mayor should be.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: There was none.

APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 5, 2022 MINUTES: Amy Martin made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to approve the minutes from the December 5, 2022 meeting. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS: Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Amy Martin to pay the bills as listed. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

3RD READING OF ORDINANCE #22-856 – AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION FOR APPROXIMATELY 1.1 ACRES LOCATED ON W. COMMERCIAL AVE. FROM RESIDENTIAL R-1 TO LIMITED COMMERCIAL C-1: (There was a public hearing held prior to the regular meeting.) Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Jim Wolfgram to pass the 3rd reading of Ordinance #22-856. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

JOE STEPHENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD CONCERNING WATER ON CROSSVILLE HIGHWAY: Joe Stephens addressed the board and stated that he has bought 10 acres and he would like to open a wholesale distribution center for erosion control and green sediment business. After further discussion, this was referred to the water and sewer committee to discuss and bring back to the board next month.

MARTY SARKISIAN TO ADDRESS THE BOARD CONCERNING WATER AT 15377 CROSSVILLE HIGHWAY: Marty Sarkisian stated that he bought Bruce Isabel's property with the two houses and that he was wanting to build another house and he would like to have city water. He stated that he would be willing to help with the cost of bringing the water to his property. After further discussion, this was referred to the water and sewer committee to discuss and bring back to the board next month.

DISCUSSION ON EV CHARGE STATION: Rafferty Cleary asked if Monterey wanted to move forward with the TTU grant for a charge station in Monterey? He stated that he was told at first that there was no cost, but now has been told there will be a small charge for this. After some discussion, it was decided to have a work session and have all interested parties to attend.

DISCUSS RFP'S FOR PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT: Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Amy Martin to put out RFPs for playground equipment to be paid with out of the ARPA monies. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Mark Farley stated that the police station's roof is rotted out over the classroom area. Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Amy Martin to bid this project out. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Bill Wiggins stated that the rail trail from Poplar to Walnut is being used by a motorist and stated that we may need to install bollards to prevent this and also have the police keep an extra patrol out.

Bill Wiggin stated that we are having criminal activity in and on our public facilities. He stated that he would like to see a reward offered (for the conviction) to see if that would deter some of this activity. He stated that we will need to check with our attorney on the

reward part. Amy Martin stated that is a good reason to put more lighting on the trail and to add cameras to the library.

James Foster stated that the tree at the park that we bought for Bonita has died and asked if the board wanted to replace it. It was decided by the board to get with David Funk and ask him what kind of tree would work best for that area.

Rafferty Cleary stated that the elephant snot that was purchased last month worked great on taking the graffiti at Bee Rock.

James Foster stated that he has had several citizens ask him about signs at Meadow Creek Park and Bee Rock.

Mark Farley stated that the old jet truck that we purchased last year is not working and asked for this to be declared surplus and to be sold on govdeals.com. Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Jim Whitaker to declare the jet truck as surplus and to sell it on govdeals. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

MAYOR UPDATES: There was none.

OTHER BUSINESS: There was none.

ADJOURNMENT: Amy Martin made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to adjourn the meeting.

Interim Mayor Mark Farley

Attest:

Ella Dishman, CMFO/Office Manager