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Mark Farley
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, FEBRUARY 6, 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	
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 Charles Looper

PUBLIC COMMENT: Robin Gregg, 1108 Arrowhead Rd., addressed the board with opposition against the EV charging stations that were talked about at last month's meeting. She stated that she didn't think the tax payers' dollars should be spent on this because there will be very few electric vehicles and that where it would be located is not a convenient place.

Larry Bennett, 405 E. Price, addressed the board concerning a fence that was put up in the alleyway. He stated that he has been told that the board did close the alley way and that one of the property owners had her property surveyed and has put a fence right up to his property line. He stated that he would like to see this alley way opened back up and for the fence to be taken down. He brought the quitclaim deed and warranty deed to his property and his neighbor's property and asked the board to please look into this. Mayor Farley stated that we would get this to the city attorney and him look at it.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Bill Wiggins stated that the water/sewer committee met and one of the items on that agenda was to discuss the water line project on Calkiller. County Mayor Randy Porter stated that if the board passes this tonight, then he would

present this to the County Commissioners and if they pass it they will draw up a contract where Putnam County would pay for the water line project and have a contract that would pay for the flushing and depreciation monthly. After some further discussion, Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Charles Looper to recommend to partner with Putnam County if they meet the Town's requirements for this water line project. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Bill Wiggins stated that the second thing on the water/sewer committee agenda was to look at potential CDBG projects. The town could potentially receive \$630,000 in grant money and the town's match would be 11%. Amanda Mainord was present at the committee meeting and stated that we would have to have a public meeting to get input from the public on some ideals for these monies. Zeda Hillis stated that if we go in asking for less, we were more likely to get this. She stated that Nathaniel Green will be getting some numbers together for the meeting for the board to look at.

Bill Wiggins stated that the third thing on the water/sewer committee agenda was discuss water line extension on Crossville Highway. He stated that the cost for the town to do this extension was estimated between \$450,000 - \$600,000. Zeda Hillis stated that Nathaniel Green had told the committee that most of the time, the developer paid for the line extension. After further discussion, Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Amy Martin to extend the water line from Wilder Avenue to the city limits at an estimated cost of \$365,000 to be paid by the town. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 9, 2023 MINUTES: Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Jim Whitaker to approve the minutes from the January 9, 2023 meeting. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

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

RAFFERTY CLEARY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD CONCERNING FIREWORKS: Rafferty Cleary stated that he has found a location to shoot the fireworks inside city limits this year and that is at the old Adam's USA parking lot, that the city owns. Mr. Jared, owner of the building, only request is that we have firemen stationed on his building to prevent a fire. After some discussion, Amy Martin made a motion and was seconded by James Foster to approve the quote from Pryotecnico for a 15 minute show for \$15,000. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER RESOLUTION 2023-860 – SOURCEWELL AGREEMENT: Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Jim Whitaker to pass this Resolution to enter this Sourcewell agreement for purchasing. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER RESOLUTION 2023-861 – HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE:

Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Amy Martin to pass this Resolution. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

REPORT ON DEBT OBLIGATIONS: Mayor Farley stated that we just had to present this to the board because we have to put it in the minutes, per comptroller rules.

DISCUSS OPENING A CHECKING ACCOUNT FOR THE APPROPRIATION FOR THE SOCCER FIELD: Mayor Farley stated that we need to open a checking account for the monies that we received, \$200,000.00, from the State of Tennessee for the soccer field. Amy Martin made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to open this checking account. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Amy Martin stated that we need to schedule a building and grounds committee meeting for February 21, 2023 at 12:00 noon to meet with Jerry Warren and discuss the plans for the soccer field.

Amy Martin asked if we could either have the codes officer present at these board meetings or have a report on what he has done each month, so we are aware and keep updated on any issues in town.

Bill Wiggins stated that we had a work session that was cancelled and asked Rafferty Cleary if he has a new date for this? Rafferty Cleary stated that he does not at this time.

Rafferty Cleary stated that he has three occasions where we need street closures. He stated that he has spoken with the chief and he is aware of them. He just needs the board's permission to close some streets for these. The first one is Burks color run. He stated that would be a rolling street closure only and it would be the same route as last year. He said April 8, he has been talking with Steve Looper to have an Easter Praise parade and this will coincide with the Easter egg hunt on. The parade will take the same route as the Standing Stone day parade and then we would have music in the park that afternoon. The third occasion will be on May 20th. He stated that One Bank will be having a celebration from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and they would like the alley from Holly to Poplar be closed for that time. All members of the board agreed to these street closures.

Rafferty Cleary stated that they have been working on the trail at Meadow Creek Park and that at the second entrance at the southern point of the park, they need the brush moved and a gate put up so they can start working on that end. He also stated that they need some wire lapping for bridge repair. Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Jim Whitaker to purchase the wire and gate. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Bill Wiggins stated that the finance committee will start to work on the budget and he stated that we are going to try to add a someone to patrol the parks that would have policing abilities. He stated that Nathan Walker had spoken about creating an athletic and events authority and he would like to see that come to fruition.

Jim Whitaker asked about the fencing at the police department. After some discussion, it was decided that the fencing and the awning and new door were included in last years budget and can be purchased anytime. Chief Bill Randolph stated that we have found another problem with the edging around the roof. That needs to be replaced too. This was decided to be included in the bid package for the roof.

MAYOR UPDATES: There was none.

OTHER BUSINESS: There was none.

ADJOURNMENT: Charles Looper made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Interim Mayor Mark Farley

Attest:

Ella Dishman, CMFO/Office Manager