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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, MARCH 4, 2024, 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: Chief Bill Randolph

Pledge to the Flag: Alderman James Foster

PUBLIC COMMENT: Robert McLellan introduced himself to the board and stated that he has bought the building at 123 E Commercial and will be putting an entertainment themed restaurant. We will serve premium burgers and premium ice cream in the first phase. The second phase we will be serving pizza. I would like to build a deck on the back but that will need surveying first to find out the rightful owners of that alley.

Chief Bill Randolph swore in new officers Martin Walker and Stephen Johnson.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: James Foster made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to take bids to pave Callahan Road, Rose Avenue and a strip by the t-ball field. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 5, 2024 MINUTES: Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Aledx Garcia to pass the minutes from February 5, 2024. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS: Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Charles Looper to pay the bills as listed. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION OF THE BEE ROCK ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS – RAFFERTY CLEARY: Dr. Michael Akens from Tennessee Tech center for rural innovation gave the presentation about how many tourists that Bee Rock had during the 2023 calendar year. There were 3,525 tourists outside of the 38574-zip code.

REQUEST FROM UCDD FOR COUNTY WIDE PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN – RAFFERTY CLEARY: Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Jim Whitaker to pay \$5,000 to join this for a master plan. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

REQUEST TO PURCHASE NEW GENERIC STREET BANNERS – RAFFERTY CLEARY: Rafferty Cleary stated that the banners that we have now are faded, fraying and tearing. Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Bill Wiggins to spend around \$2,000 to redo the banners. Rafferty Cleary will bring the sample of what they will look like and have them approved at the next board meeting. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER STREET CLOSURES FOR DIFFERENT REQUESTS – RAFFERTY CLEARY: Rafferty Cleary stated there is going to be an event on April 13 (KPN Motorcycle shop grand opening) and another event on Commercial Avenue on July 20. He requested the streets to be shut down to accommodate these events. Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Jim Whitaker to close the streets for these events. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER STRIPING CROSSVILLE STREET: Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by James Foster to accept the quote from Todd Rose of \$1,978 to stripe Crossville Street. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Bill Wiggins stated that we had mentioned at a previous meeting to put speed bumps on Homerun Drive. He stated that we need to get a price on those and bring back to the board.

1ST READING OF ORDINANCE #24-863 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 18 OF THE MONTEREY CITY CODE REGARDING WATER/SEWER TAPPING FEES AND BORE FEES: Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Jim Whitaker to pass the 1st Reading of Ordinance #24-863. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

2ND READING OF ORDINANCE #24-864 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY CODE FOR THE TOWN OF MONTEREY CHANGING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF TITLE IV PERSONNEL RULES AND REGULATIONS: Bill

Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to pass the 2nd Reading of Ordinance #24-864. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Farley stated that we have received a check from PEPartners for the damage done at the amphitheater at the park in the amount of \$9,120. Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Bill Wiggins to get this repaired. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Jerry Warren addressed the board and said that they took bids for the materials only for the kayak dock at Meadow Creek Park and the amount was \$36,861 with an alternate bid of \$8,884 for a total of \$45,745. The Town of Monterey will be receiving a grant of \$100,000 and the Town will have to pay \$30,000. Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Bill Wiggins to with AccuDoc for their bid of \$45,745 for a 16' X 24' dock. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Jim Whitaker to raise the non-certified police officers' rate of pay up to the certified officer's rate of pay. Jim Wolfgram asked if we would be setting a precedent by doing this? After some discussion, a roll call vote was taken and all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Alex Garcia stated that we really need to get the alley way behind 123 E. Commercial Avenue surveyed. Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to get this surveyed. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Charles Looper to get a VEC site plan to light up Bee Rock and to use the money from the Standing Stone Trustee account so that we can close that account out. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Bill Wiggins stated that we have a lot of our street lights out in Town. Mark Farley stated that he would get with Tommy Walker and have him to check them.

Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to budget \$10,000 for Standing Stone Day in October. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to approve the Standing Stone Day Committee members as follows: Melissa Schubert, Pat Williams, Johnathan Phillips, Rebecca Walker, Vicki Henley, Lindsey Phillips, Julie Christenson and Rafferty Cleary. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to landscape the mining cart sign at Meadowcreek Park for around \$1,800 and to use the Tourism account to pay for this. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

MAYOR UPDATES: There was none.

OTHER BUSINESS: There was none.

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

Interim Mayor Mark Farley

Attest:

Ella Dishman, CMFO/Office Manager