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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, APRIL 4, 2022, AT 7:00 PM.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Nathan Walker

Upon roll call the following aldermen were present:

Amy Martin	Alex Garcia	Jim Whitaker	Mark Farley
James Foster		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 Whitaker

PUBLIC COMMENT: Jon Phillips addressed the board concerning a codes officer. He stated that the building beside Simply Divine is starting to crumble on top of their shop and we need to do something to keep that from happening because he has put a lot of work on their building. Mayor Walker stated that this should be taken care of this week.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Nathan Walker gave an update on the finance committee meeting and encouraged as many of the board members as possible to please be at our next one on April 14th because we have some important things to discuss. We are going to try to have a budget ready by the meeting in May.

APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 7, 2022 AND MARCH 21, 2022 MINUTES: Mark Farley made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to approve the March 7, 2022 and March 21, 2022 meetings. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

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

CONSIDER BIDS FOR PAINTING THE DEPOT: After some discussion, Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Mark Farley to accept the bid from R & B Painting for \$5,100 to paint the depot. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION CONCERNING CODES OFFICER: Mayor Walker stated that hopefully that will be squared away this week.

DISCUSSION CONCERNING DONATIONS FOR AMERICAL LEGION: After some discussion, Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Jim Whitaker to make a donation of \$700 to send two MHS students to this. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION CONCERNING THE QUOTES FOR THE HEATING AND AIR UNITS AT THE POLICE DEPT AND CITY HALL: After some discussion, Amy Martin made a motion and was seconded by Mark Farley to approve the bid from Walker's Precision Comfort of \$16,242.60 for a gas furnace for city hall and this will be considered an emergency purchase. Also, to get with Monterey Heating and Cooling to get a quote for a gas furnace for the police department. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

MAYOR UPDATES: Mayor Walker stated that VEC had contacted them about installing a light at the corner of Elm and Peter and we sent them a letter to install that.

Nathaniel Green addressed the board concerning Jackson Thornton accounting firm for a cost of service and rate study for the water/sewer department. The total cost would be \$26,500 and would take approximately four to six months. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Walker stated that PE Partners has declared a dividend for this past year and the town will be receiving a payment of \$21,310.

Nathan Walker stated that he was approached from county commissioner Teresa Tays and was asked if the Town would like to make a presentation to the county commission to receive some of the federal monies that Putnam County will be receiving. I spoke with Nathaniel Green and he stated that they have a sludge removal machine that was taken out of the bid for the waste water treatment plant and so they went before the county commission and was approved of \$565,000 for this machine.

NEW BUSINESS: There was none.

OTHER BUSINESS: Bill Wiggins asked about the pest control. He stated that we are paying more for pest control. After some discussion, Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Mark Farley to bid the pest control out. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Bill Wiggins stated that on the uniform contract we are actually paying more than what the contract states. Nathan Walker stated that he will look into that this week.

Rafferty Cleary asked if we could get Ronnie Coleman to place some boulders at the little league field by the trail. He stated with ball season here, he is concerned that there could be some small vehicles try to get on the trail as a short cut. Mayor Walker stated to get with Bobby and have him look at this.

Rafferty Cleary stated that on April 30, Burks middle school will be having a color run and asked if we needed to close any streets down for this. After some discussion, the board authorized the chief of police to take care of this and if they feel the need to shut down some streets for the run, they can authorize that.

Bill Wiggins stated that TDOT is working on 70 and he stated that he knows they know where are water lines are but are they taking precautions? Mayor Walker stated that he would talk to Bobby about this.

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

Mayor Nathan Walker

Attest:

Ella Dishman, CMFO/Office Manager