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THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF MONTEREY, TENNESSEE, MET IN A SPECIAL CALLED MEETING HELD AT THE MONTEREY MUNICIPAL BUILDING ON MONDAY, APRIL 19, 2021, AT 7:00 PM.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor JJ Reels

Upon roll call the following aldermen were present

Amy Martin	Alex Garcia	Jim Whitaker	Mark Farley
James Foster	Nathan Walker	Charles Looper	

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

The call of the meeting was read, together with the proof of service of the same, which call and proof of service is as follows:

TO:	Amy Martin	Alex Garcia	Jim Whitaker	Mark Farley
	James Foster	Nathan Walker	Charles Looper	

FROM: Bill Wiggins, Mayor

You and each of you are hereby notified that I have called a special meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Monterey, Tennessee, to be held on Monday, April 19, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at the Monterey Municipal building for the purpose of:

1. Consider bids for the new wastewater treatment plant
2. Discussion concerning the Monterey Medical lease agreement
3. Discussion concerning Twin Lakes fiber lines
4. Discussion concerning marketing video
5. Discussion concerning paving change orders
6. Consider alderman nominations
7. Discussion concerning codes officer
8. Discussion for an authorization letter to obtain a dot gov domain for the Town of Monterey

JJ Reels, Mayor

Item 1. Nathaniel Green addressed the board and after a very lengthy discussion, Nathan Walker made a motion and was seconded by Mark Farley to approve the bid from W & O construction for \$11,397,730.73 contingent upon getting more grant/loan money from USDA and with the Town of Monterey putting up an additional \$500,000.00 of the Town's money. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Item 2. After some discussion, Nathan Walker made a motion and was seconded by Mark Farley to approve the Monterey Medical LLC lease for Dr. Smith's old office building. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Item 3. Mayor Reels stated that he was approached from a representative of Twin Lake and if we switch to Twin Lakes fiber lines and install them in all city buildings, then we will be saving up to \$5,000 a year. Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Nathan Walker to switch from Charter/Spectrum to Twin Lakes. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Item 4. Rafferty Cleary stated that this would be a promotional video for the Town and said that it would cost around \$700. Nathan Walker made a motion and was seconded by Mark Farley to approve this expenditure. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Item 5. Mayor Reels stated that the change order is to pave Depot Street for \$17,000. Nathan Walker made a motion and was seconded by Mark Farley to approve this change order for \$17,000. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Item 6. Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Amy Martin to open the floor up for nominations because we have another resident that has expressed interest in the alderman seat and one has withdrawn their name. After some discussion, there was a roll call vote and there was two "yes" votes and five "no" votes. Those voting yes were: Martin and Garcia. Those voting no were: Whitaker, Farley, Foster, Walker and Looper. Motion failed.

Mayor Reels called Bill Wiggins to the podium to answer any questions from the board. Alderman Amy Martin asked if Mr. Wiggins is being investigated on anything under his previous administration, with the Monterey Hometown Project, from the Tennessee Comptroller's office? Mr. Wiggins stated that as far as he knew, he is not being investigated. Alderman Martin asked, so you are not being investigated for bank fraud? Mr. Wiggins stated that as far as he knew, he was not being investigated. He has been interviewed on the Monterey Hometown Project. After a very lengthy discussion, Charles Looper called for a vote and was seconded by Alex Garcia for Bill Wiggins to fill the empty alderman's seat. There were five "yes" votes and two "no" votes. Those voting yes were: Whitaker, Farley, Foster, Walker and Looper. Those voting no were:

Martin and Garcia. Motion carried. Mayor Reels swore Bill Wiggins in as the alderman for the empty seat vacated by Starlett Wessels in ward 4.

Item 7. Mayor Reels stated that our codes officer, Chad Harris, said that he likes issuing building permits but not the enforcement part of the job, so he will be resigning as soon as we find someone to replace him. He stated that we have advertised for this position.

Item 8. Nathan Walker made a motion and was seconded by James Foster to approve the Town of Monterey to obtain a dot gov domain. He stated this will cost around \$400 per year. Nathan Walker made a motion and was seconded by James Foster to approve this. After a roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Reels declared the meeting adjourned.

Nathan Walker stated that before we adjourn, he would like to say that there has been a lot of contention and that he thinks the board members are all here for the right reason and hopefully, now that this is over, we can work together as a board to get some good things accomplished for the Town.

JJ Reels, Mayor

Attest:

Ella Dishman, CMFO/Office Manager