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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, NOVEMBER 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:

James Foster	Alex Garcia	Jim Whitaker	
	Jim Wolfgram	Charles Looper	Bill Wiggins

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

Invocation: Bro. Jeff Leonard

Pledge to the Flag: Alderman Alex Garcia

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was none.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Nathaniel Green addressed the board and talked about change order number two (2) asking for an additional 68 days on the waste water treatment plant contract. Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Bill Wiggins to pass change order number two. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Nathaniel Green stated that on October 19 we opened bids for the calf killer water project and he read a letter of recommendation to accept Ironwood's bid of \$4,677,750 (that includes the three add alternate bids) and stated that we needed to have a water/sewer committee meeting to talk about the proposal and then he will take that to Randy Porter for approval and then bring back to the board.

Mayor Farley stated that we need to have a joint sanitation/finance committee meeting to discuss the purchase of a new garbage truck.

APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 2, 2023 MINUTES: Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Jim Whitaker to pass the minutes from October 2, 2023. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

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

3RD READING OF ORDINANCE #23-862 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE MONTEREY ZONING CODE PERTAINING TO TYPES OF REGULATED CHILD CARE CENTERS: (There was a public hearing held at 7:00 p.m. prior to the regular scheduled meeting.) Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Bill Wiggins to pass the 3rd Reading of Ordinance #23-862. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER BUDGET AMENDMENTS FOR THE 2023-2024 BUDGET: Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to pass these budget amendments as presented. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL TO REQUEST RGQ'S FOR CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR THE TDOT TAP GRANT: (Amy Martin entered the meeting at this time.) Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Charles Looper to request RGQ's for a consulting engineer for TDOT tap grant. After a roll call vote, there were six "yes" votes and one "no" vote. Those voting yes were: Martin, Garcia, Whitaker, Wolfgram, Looper and Wiggins. Those voting no were: Foster. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Jerry Warren addressed the board and stated that he has received notification that we have been approved for a 100% grant for the ARP program for storm water rehabilitation in the amount of \$1,178,000.

Jerry Warren stated that he has submitted an application for a TEVI (electrical vehicles) grant. He stated that we will not hear anything on that for four to six months and it is an 80/20 grant.

Jerry Warren stated that he is going to have the mayor sign some forms on the soccer field and we are going to try to take bids in December.

Chief Bill Randolph stated that he is working with UCDD on a grant that we would be able to purchase two police vehicles between \$40,000 and \$50,000. They would pay for one and we could pay for one out of the military account. Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Jim Whitaker to allow UCDD to pursue this grant. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Charles Looper to place a stop sign to make a four way stop at the intersection of South Elm and New Avenue and to also put a NO TRUCKS sign up. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to make a donation of \$1,000 for the Town of Monterey 2023 Christmas parade. After a roll call vote, all present voted. Motion carried.

Bill Wiggins stated that he would like to acknowledge some of key players in our Standing Stone Day event. Rebecca Walker headed up the pageant, Chris Landers helped with the entertainment, Rafferty Cleary and Johnathan Phillips helped with the parade and vendors, Julie Bohannon and Syota Knight helped with the monument park festivities and Janice and Harold Boswell donated pumpkins and gourds. Bill Wiggins stated that this will be his and Julie's last year helping with the Standing Stone Day activities and will be placing it in the hands of the Cultural Administrator and staff.

MAYOR UPDATES: There was none.

OTHER BUSINESS: Rafferty Cleary stated that he would like to make a donation to the softball team for all their help with the Standing Stone Beauty pageant. After some discussion, Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to make a \$1,440 donation to the MHS softball team. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried. Bill Wiggins asked if we could get the amount of expenses and revenues that was spent for Standing Stone Day and bring that to the December meeting?

Alex Garcia stated that the playground equipment at Whittaker should be completed in about one and half to two weeks.

ADJOURNMENT: Alex Garcia made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Interim Mayor Mark Farley

Attest:

Ella Dishman, CMFO/Office Manager