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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, DECEMBER 4, 2023, AT 7:00 PM.

The meeting was called to order by Interim Mayor Mark Farley.

Upon roll call the following aldermen were present:

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

Bill Wiggins stated that we have some special presentation for a special recognition for three students at Burks Elementary School. Julie Bohannon addressed the board and stated that they had a competition for photographs at Standing Stone Day. The three students were: Lydia Martian, Oliver Rice and Jackson Rice and they each read their caption for their photograph and were presented with a check from the Town of Monterey for \$50.00 each.

Rafferty Cleary had a special recognition for Mrs. Reba Pierce from Reba's flower shop. He stated that Reba could not be here tonight, but still wanted to recognize her and her time at Reba's Flower Shop.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Lindsey Smith addressed the board concerning her water line on Wolf Pond Rd.

Representatives from the Hispanic Church on Holly addressed the board concerning their property on Chestnut. They were advised to come to city hall in the morning and get a rezoning request.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** Jim Whitaker gave a report and made a motion on the water/sewer committee and stated that it was the committee's recommendation to approve the bid for the Calfkiller water project with the changes and was seconded by Alex Garcia. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Jim Wolfram gave a report on the sanitation committee and made a motion to approve the bid from Labrie for \$246,020 and to pay \$100,000 from General Fund and finance the remainder and this was seconded by Bill Wiggins. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 6, 2023 MINUTES:** Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Charles Looper to pass the minutes from November 6, 2023. 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.

**RECOMMENDATION OF A CONSULTANT EVALUATION COMMITTEE:** Rafferty Cleary addressed the board and stated that himself, Ella Dishman and Darrel Cantrell would form this committee and asked the board to approve. Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to approve these three. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

**PRESENTATION ON BEE ROCK ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS:** Rafferty Cleary addressed the board and stated that they do have the results from this study. They should have the results before the January meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Bill Wiggins stated that Brad Vaughn is here to address the board. Brad Vaughn asked the board for a property tax break on the Save-A-Lot property and t-ball field property. This was turned over to the finance committee to meet on Monday, December 11, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. to discuss.

Mayor Farley stated that we have an old police trailer and a Toyota Corola that we need to surplus so we can put them on gov deals. Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to surplus these two items. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Farley stated that you have a quote for \$34,957.00 for equipment for the fire department that was included in their budget. Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Charles Looper to approve this purchase from Nafeco for \$34,957.00. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to extend the front lot at the police department and this would cost less than \$2,000. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Bill Wiggins stated that we need to look at the contract for Dr. Smith's old office. We are not receiving any rent.

Bill Wiggins stated that Dr. Rana is interested in renting or expanding and would like to look at the empty office at the Cate-Gil building.

**MAYOR UPDATES:** There was none.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** Alex Garcia stated that last month we approved a stop sign to be placed at Elm and Stewart and that has not been done. Mayor Farley stated that he will remind Bobby in the morning.

Alex Garcia asked if anything has been talked about for the athletic committee? Bill Wiggins stated that we are waiting for the turn of the year.

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

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Interim Mayor Mark Farley

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Ella Dishman, CMFO/Office Manager