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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, JUNE 3, 2024, AT 7:00 PM.

There was a beer board meeting prior to the regular meeting. Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to pass this beer license for the Sapori Di Napoli. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

There was a public hearing on Ordinance #24-865 (budget) and Ordinance #24-866 (tax rate).

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

Upon roll call the following aldermen were present:

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: Pastor Jeff Leonard

Pledge to the Flag: Alderman Bill Wiggins

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Shirley Bilbrey addressed the board concerning the water tap rates that went into effect last month. She requested that the taps that she will be having to purchase to be at the old rate. After further discussion, the board will call the city attorney and see if we can do this.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** Zeda Hillis stated that we are nearing completion on the waste water treatment plant and we will need to spend down the remaining grant monies for equipment for the plant. After some discussion, Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Jim Whitaker to approve change order number five (5). After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Zeda Hillis explained that there needs to be an engineering agreement with James C. Hailey & Co. for the ARC project (sewer line replacement). Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Charles Looper to enter into an agreement with James C. Hailey for this project. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Bill Wiggins stated that he is understands that the Circle K has pulled out and will not be building in Monterey.

**APPROVAL OF THE MAY 6, 2024 MINUTES:** Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Jim Whitaker to pass the minutes from May 6, 2024. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

<u>CONSIDERATION OF BILLS:</u> Alex Garcia 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.

3<sup>RD</sup> READING OF ORDINANCE #24-865 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF MONTEREY, TENNESSEE, ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025: (There was a public hearing held prior to the 7:00 p.m. meeting.) Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to pass the 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading of Ordinance #24-865. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF MONTEREY, TENNESSEE, TO PROVIDE A TAX LEVY FOR THE TOWN OF MONTEREY, TENNESSEE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING 2025: (There was a public hearing held prior to the 7:00 p.m. meeting.) Charles Looper made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to pass the 3<sup>rd</sup> reading of Ordinance #24-866. After a roll call vote, there were two "no" votes and four "yes" votes. Those voting no were: Foster and Wolfgram. Those voting yes were: Garcia, Whitaker, Looper and Wiggins. Motion carried.

3<sup>RD</sup> READING OF ORDINANCE #24-867 – AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL THE EXISTING SEWER USE ORDINANCE AND ADOPT WASTEWATER REGULATIONS: Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Jim Whitaker to pass the 3<sup>rd</sup> reading of Ordinance #24-867. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

**DISCUSSION ON YARD SALES AT FARMERS MARKET:** Bill Wiggins stated that we are having a special event at the farmer's market on June 22<sup>nd</sup> and made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to move the flea market vendors to the vacant lot across the street for this day. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

**DISCUSSION ON MOVIES IN THE PARK:** Bill Wiggins stated that on opening nights we have a great crowd and then it dwindles down. He stated that they are planning on having two or three movie nights this summer and that the Depot Historical Society pays for this.

APPROVAL OF BID FOR KAYAK LAUNCH DOCK CONSTRUCTION: Jerry Warren stated that we only received one bid for this project. After some discussion, Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Jim Whitaker to award the bid of \$56,900 to Kemp Brothers Construction. After a roll call votes, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Alex Garcia asked when they are going to start the sports field construction? Jerry Warren stated that the date has tentatively been set for June 17, 2024.

Jerry Warren stated that we are trying to finalize the trail extension. We are just waiting for the environmental review. He stated we are waiting on the contract from the state of Tennessee for the storm water grant and ARP funding.

**DISCUSS ROAD CLOSURE FOR SEPTEMBER:** Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Jim Whitaker to close the roads from Poplar to Chestnut on September 21<sup>st</sup> for the bacon festival. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Jim Whitaker to close the roads from Poplar to Chestnut on September 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> for Landers KTM event. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Bill Wiggins stated that since we have displaced the practice facility for the youth football, they have asked if we could rent a port-a-potty for approximately five months at \$112 per month. Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to approve this. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Charles Looper made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to take bids to pave the road entrance to Welch Cemetery. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

James Foster stated that there is a tree at the Whitaker Cemetery that was struck by lightning and it needs to be cut. It was decided to have Michael Henry get a price to see what it would cost to cut and remove.

**MAYOR UPDATES:** There was none.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** There was none.

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

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