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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, SEPTEMBER 9, 2024, AT 7:00 PM.

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

Upon roll call the following aldermen were present:

Amy Martin	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 Jim Whitaker

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** There was none.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** Jim Whitaker read the report from the water/sewer committee and then he read the letter from city attorney, Brad Wood, concerning the new subdivision on Louis Avenue.

**APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 5, 2024 MINUTES:** Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Jim Whitaker to pass the minutes from August 5, 2024. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

**CONSIDERATION OF BILLS:** 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.

**CONSIDER RESOLUTION 2024-003 – A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2018 BUILDING CODES:** Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to pass this Resolution. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

**CONSIDER RESOLUTION 2024-004 – A RESOLUTION REGARDING IECC (INTERNATION ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE):** Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to pass this Resolution. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

**CONSIDER CONSULTING ENGINEERING CONTRACT WITH JAMES C. HAILEY & CO:** Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Charles Looper to accept this contract from James C. Hailey & Company. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

**CONSIDER CIVIL ENGINEERING CONTRACT WITH WARREN & TUGGLE CIVIL ENGINEERING, LLC:** Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Alex Garcia to accept this contract from Warren & Tuggle, LLC. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

**CONSIDER SELLING ALLEYWAY LOCATED BEHIND 123 COMMERCIAL AVENUE – RAFFERTY CLEARY:** After some discussion, Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by James Foster to accept and approve the survey on the alleyway. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Amy Martin to approve the sale of the Town's portion of the alleyway, in the amount of \$1,213. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

**CONSIDER BLACK BOTTOM CONCESSION STAND PROPOSAL – ALEX GARCIA:** After some discussion, Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Amy Martin to approve the concession stand building and bathrooms and to take \$16,000 from the health care fund and \$7,800 from the Standing Stone Trustee fund. He stated that Putnam County Parks & Recreation will be doing the labor at no charge, the Town just needs to buy the materials. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Jerry Warren stated that the electric pole at the black bottom field will have to be removed because woodpeckers have pretty much messed that pole up. He also stated that we are on budget with the cost that was allocated for this project. After some more discussion, Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by James Foster to get a temp fence to complete the field and the cost will be just under \$2,000. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Rafferty Cleary stated that last month we took SOQ's for the stormwater project and we only received one and that was from Warren & Tuggle. Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Jim Whitaker to approve the SOQ for the stormwater project from Warren & Tuggle. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Rafferty Cleary stated that the billboard campaigns was in the budget, but I wanted to bring before the board for approval. Alex Garcia made a motion and was seconded by Jim Whitaker to approve this in the amount of \$9,500. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Rafferty Cleary stated that the dog poop stations have been installed at the park and on the trail.

Rafferty Cleary stated that the kayak launch dock is almost completed.

Rafferty Cleary stated that he has applied for the BlueCross health grant for the pump track. He stated that this would be no cost to the Town of Monterey.

Jim Wolfgram asked Chief Bill Randolph about the jake braking and the people speeding in Town. Chief Randolph stated that they are writing tickets for both but we do have to be careful on the writing tickets for jake braking because of this being a safety measure in the trucks.

**MAYOR UPDATES:** There was none.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** Mark Farley stated that we have received a letter from the city attorney stating that he will be resigning at the end of September.

James Foster read his letter and thanked everyone for their support for the last eight (8) years and stated that this would be his last meeting. He will not be seeking the re-election tie breaker in December. Alex Garcia asked if he was dropping out of the election? James Foster stated "yes".

House Speaker Cameron Sexton swore in Alex Garcia as the Mayor for the Town of Monterey.

Mayor Alex Garcia swore in Jamie Phillips, Larry Bennett and Kevin Peters as newly elected board members.

Alex Garcia nominated Spencer Delk to fill in the vacant seat from Alex Garcia's ward. Larry Bennett made a motion and was seconded by Kevin Peters to appoint Spencer for the remaining two years. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Alex Garcia swore in Spencer Delk as a newly appointed board member.

Alex Garcia said that the Health Department in Cookeville will be putting a 20 X 20-foot mobile building by the Farmer's Market and will be up here one day per week and will be working towards being here three days per week and finding a more permanent building. After some discussion, Kevin Peters made a motion and was seconded by Larry Bennett to approve \$1,000 for electric and cameras. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Kevin Peters and Larry Bennett made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

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Mayor Alex Garcia

Attest:

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Ella Dishman, CMFO/Office Manager