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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, NOVEMBER 11, 2024, AT 7:00 PM.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Alex Garcia

Upon roll call the following aldermen were present:

Kevin Peters	Spencer Delk	Jim Whitaker	Larry Bennett
Cecilia Paulsen	Jim Wolfgram	Jamie Phillips	Bill Wiggins

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

Invocation: Pastor Jeff Leonard

Pledge to the Flag: Alderman Larry Bennett

Mayor Garcia stated that we are going to bring a new business item up now. He stated that he had suspended Chief Bill Randolph, without pay, following the comptroller's report. City attorney, Evan Wright, stated that we need to refer this issue to the civil service board for their recommendation. After some discussion, Cecilia Paulsen made a motion and was seconded by Spencer Delk to send this to the civil service board for their meeting on Thursday, November 14, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was none.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Jamie Phillips gave a finance committee report. Jamie Phillips made a motion and was seconded by Cecilia Paulsen to allow the mayor to re-negotiate the contract with Local Government Corporation and to eliminate the maintenance part on the contract. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Garcia stated that he would like to look into getting software and hardware for board meetings.

APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 7, 2024 AND OCTOBER 30, MINUTES: Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Jamie Phillips to pass the minutes from October 7, 2024. All present voted yes. Motion carried. Kevin Peters made a motion and was seconded by Cecilia Paulsen to pass the minutes from October 30, 2024. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

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

DISCUSS TENNESSEE3E LOGOS PROJECT – RAFFERTY CLEARY: Rafferty Cleary stated that these would be signs at the 300 east and west bound exits for Bee Rock. This would cost approximately \$1,250. Jamie Phillips made a motion and was seconded by Jim Wolfgram to use the occupancy tax money for these signs. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER RESOLUTION #2024-007 – TO APPLY FOR A THDA GRANT: Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Cecilia Paulsen to allow Amanda Maynard to apply for this grant. The grant could be up to \$750,000 with no match from the Town. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

DISCUSS APPLYING FOR AN ARG GRANT FOR WASTEWATER: Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Spencer Delk to allow Amanda Maynard to apply for this grant. This grant could possibly be up to \$1,000,000 with a 50% match from the Town. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER RESOLUTION #2024-005 - A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION OF TERRITORY INTO THE TOWN OF MONTEREY BY OWNER CONSENT AND APPROVING A PLAN OF SERVICES: Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Larry Bennett to pass this Resolution. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER RESOLUTION #2024-006 – A RESOLUTION TO ANNEX CERTAIN TERRITORY UPON WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE OWNERS AND TO INCORPORATE THE SAME WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE TOWN OF MONTEREY, TENNESSEE: Cecilia Paulsen made a motion and was seconded by Spencer Delk to pass this Resolution. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

DISCUSS THE LGC (LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORPORATION) MAINTENANCE PLAN: Mayor Garcia stated that we have already discussed this. He also said that he would like to see us get meeting software. He stated that Rafferty Cleary has moved his office to city hall.

DISCUSS DONATION FOR THE CHRISTMAS PARADE: Bill Wiggins made a motion and was seconded by Spencer Delk to allocate \$1,000 from the general fund for

the prizes and trophies for the Christmas parade. After a roll call vote, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

MAYOR UPDATES: Mayor Garcia stated that the health department has moved two of the three trailers in for their office at the Farmer's market. They will be opened one day per week with a potential of being here three days per week later.

Mayor Garcia stated that he has no update on Dominoes.

Mayor Garcia stated that we won an award for the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

NEW BUSINESS: Larry Bennett asked if there was a codes officer update? Mayor Garcia stated that he has not heard back from UCDD on that.

Jamie Phillips stated that he has talked with Rafferty and they would like to see a long-term infrastructure street plan. Mayor Garcia stated that we can refer this to the street committee.

Kevin Peters asked if we had a waterline replacement plan? Nathaniel Green stated that we do not. Mayor Garcia referred this to the water/sewer committee.

Kevin Peters asked about the Welch cemetery paving? After some discussion, this was referred to the street committee.

Bill Wiggins stated that he would like to see MTAS come in and do a law enforcement study at the police department. Mayor Garcia referred this to the law committee.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: There was none.

ADJOURNMENT: Larry Bennett made a motion and was seconded by Cecilia Paulsen to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor Alex Garcia

Attest:

Ella Dishman, CMFO/Office Manager

