



Board of Mayor and Alderman Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 02, 2025 at 7:00 PM

Monterey Municipal Building – 302 E. Commercial Avenue Monterey, TN 38574

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Meeting called by: Mayor Alex Garcia

Type of Meeting: Regular Monthly

Aldermen: Kevin Peters, Spencer Delk, Jim Whitaker, Larry Bennett, Cecelia Paulson, Jim Wolfgram, Jamie Phillips, Bill Wiggins

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Beer Board meeting at 7:00 p.m. to discuss/approve beer license for Monterey Discount Liquor and Wine (Carl's market)

Motion made by Alderman Delk, Seconded by Alderman Wolfgram.

Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderman Delk, Alderman Whitaker, Alderman Bennett, Alderwoman Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips, Alderman Wiggins

Public Hearings on Ordinance #25-876, Ordinance #25-877, Ordinance #25-878 and Ordinance #25-879

There was no public comment.

Public Hearing on Urban Growth Boundary Amendment

There was no public comment.

VFW to present a check to Town of Monterey

This was tabled until next month.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor Alex Garcia

Vice Mayor Kevin Peters

Alderman Spencer Delk

Alderman Jim Whitaker

Alderman Larry Bennett

Alderwoman Cecilia Paulson

Alderman Jim Wolfgram

Alderman Jamie Phillips

Alderman Bill Wiggins

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Garcia called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION

Pledge to the Flag – Alderwoman Cecelia Paulsen

Bro Jeff Leonard led the invocation.

1. Pastor Tony Phipps

Rev. Jeff Leonard

Alderman Jim Wolfgram led the Pledge to the flag

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. Approval of May 5, 2025 minutes

Motion made by Alderman Bennett, Seconded by Alderwoman Paulson.

Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderman Delk, Alderman Whitaker, Alderman Bennett, Alderwoman Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips, Alderman Wiggins

3. Approval of the May 19, 2025 minutes

Motion made by Alderman Phillips, Seconded by Alderman Wolfgram.

Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderman Delk, Alderman Whitaker, Alderman Bennett, Alderwoman Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips, Alderman Wiggins

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

4. Consideration of bills

Motion made by Alderman Bennett, Seconded by Alderman Delk.

Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderman Delk, Alderman Whitaker, Alderman Bennett, Alderwoman Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips, Alderman Wiggins

ORDINANCES

5. 3rd Reading of Ordinance #25-876 - An Ordinance to change the zoning classification for approximately 27,500 square feet located on the northeast corner of N Elm and E Crawford Ave intersection from C-1 to R-1 low density residential district

Motion made by Vice Mayor Peters, Seconded by Alderman Delk.

Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderman Delk, Alderman Whitaker, Alderman Bennett, Alderwoman Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips, Alderman Wiggins

6. 3rd Reading of Ordinance #25-877 - An ordinance of the Town of Monterey, Tennessee adopting a budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026
Motion made by Alderman Delk, Seconded by Alderman Phillips.
Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderman Delk, Alderman Whitaker, Alderman Bennett, Alderwoman Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips, Alderman Wiggins
7. 3rd Reading of Ordinance #25-878 - An Ordinance of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Monterey, Tennessee to provide a tax levy for the Town of Monterey for the fiscal year ending 2026.
Motion made by Alderman Phillips, Seconded by Vice Mayor Peters.
Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderman Delk, Alderman Whitaker, Alderman Bennett, Alderwoman Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips, Alderman Wiggins
8. 3rd Reading of Ordinance #25-879 - An Ordinance of the Town of Monterey, Tennessee, to amend title 17 of the Monterey city code regarding refuse collection fees
Motion made by Vice Mayor Peters, Seconded by Alderman Phillips.
Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderman Delk, Alderman Whitaker, Alderman Bennett, Alderwoman Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips, Alderman Wiggins
9. 3rd Reading of Ordinance #25-880 - An Ordinance of the Town of Monterey, Tennessee, amending the 2024-2025 fiscal year budget.
Motion made by Alderman Bennett, Seconded by Alderman Delk.
Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderman Delk, Alderman Whitaker, Alderman Bennett, Alderwoman Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips, Alderman Wiggins

NEW BUSINESS

10. Request to Close Depot Street from Holly to Poplar. French Market owner Julie Christenson made the request for an event she is planning in conjunction with other adjacent business owner. The event date is June 21 from 10AM to 4PM
Close from Holly to Poplar for an event called the Paris flea market on Saturday June 21st.
Motion made by Alderman Delk, Seconded by Alderman Phillips.
Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderman Delk, Alderman Whitaker, Alderman Bennett, Alderwoman Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips, Alderman Wiggins
11. Declare red lights at the Police Dept and Fire Dept as surplus

Motion made by Alderman Delk, Seconded by Alderman Phillips.

Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderman Delk, Alderman Whitaker, Alderman Bennett, Alderwoman Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips, Alderman Wiggins

12. Chief Mackie to address the board concerning promotions at the Police Dept.

Chief Mackie promoted Sgt. Andrew Neff to Lieutenant

Motion made by Alderman Bennett, Seconded by Alderman Delk.

Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderman Delk, Alderman Whitaker, Alderman Bennett, Alderwoman Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips, Alderman Wiggins

Chief Mackie promoted Officer Larry Bates to Sergeant.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Peters, Seconded by Alderman Whitaker.

Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderman Delk, Alderman Whitaker, Alderman Bennett, Alderwoman Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips, Alderman Wiggins

Chief Mackie promoted Blake Bennett to Sergeant.

Motion made by Alderman Phillips, Seconded by Vice Mayor Peters.

Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderman Delk, Alderman Whitaker, Alderman Bennett, Alderwoman Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips, Alderman Wiggins

13. Consider nominations for the Board of Mayor and Aldermen's Civil Service Representative

Larry Bennett nominated Jeff Leonard. Kevin Peters nominated Mayor Alex Garcia. After some discussion, Bill Wiggins asked this to be tabled until we get a legal opinion.

14. Discuss grader work and rock for Bee Rock and Meadow Creek

Motion made by Alderman Bennett, Seconded by Alderman Wolfgram.

Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderman Delk, Alderman Whitaker, Alderman Bennett, Alderwoman Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips, Alderman Wiggins to approve Ronnie Coleman's bid for Meadowcreek (\$2,475) and bid for Bee Rock (\$2,175).

15. New proposal from Edmunds Group

Mayor Garcia stated this is the new proposal with the payroll taken out. The implementation fee is \$45,000 divided over three years.

Motion made by Alderman Phillips, Seconded by Alderman Delk.

Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderman Delk, Alderman Bennett, Alderwoman

Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips, Alderman Wiggins

Voting Nay: Alderman Whitaker

MAYOR UPDATES

Motion made by Alderman Bennett, Seconded by Alderman Phillips.

Voting Yea: Alderman Delk, Alderman Whitaker, Alderman Bennett, Alderwoman Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips, Alderman Wiggins to pass Resolution 2025-003 for purchase of fire trucks.

Voting Abstaining: Vice Mayor Peters

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Alderman Phillips, Seconded by Alderman Bennett.