



Board of Mayor and Alderman Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 05, 2025 at 7:00 PM

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

Police Department: (931) 839-2323 | City Hall: (931) 839-3770 | Fax: (931) 839-3933

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

INVOCATION

Pledge to the Flag – Alderwoman Cecelia Paulsen

1. Pastor Bill Barenkamp

Pastor Bill Barenkamp gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Alderwoman Cecilia Paulson.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

2. Finance committee meeting April 14, 2025

3. Building and Grounds committee meeting April 15, 2025

Motion made by Alderman Phillips, Seconded by Alderman Bennett to accept the 2nd bid of \$10,373.51 from Capstone Construction.

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

Voting Abstaining: Vice Mayor Peters

Mayor Garcia stated that Chief Mackie is enforcing codes already.

4. Finance committee meeting April 28, 2025
5. Finance committee meeting April 22, 2025

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

6. Approval of April 7, 2025 minutes
Motion made by Alderman Wiggins, Seconded by Alderman Bennett.
Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderman Delk, Alderman Whitaker, Alderman Bennett, Alderwoman Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips, Alderman Wiggins

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

7. Consider bills
Motion made by Alderman Wiggins, Seconded by Alderman Delk.
Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderman Delk, Alderman Whitaker, Alderman Bennett, Alderwoman Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips, Alderman Wiggins

ORDINANCES

8. 3rd Reading of Ordinance #25-875
Motion made by Alderman Wiggins, Seconded by Alderman Phillips.
Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderman Delk, Alderman Whitaker, Alderman Bennett, Alderwoman Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips, Alderman Wiggins
9. 1st and 2nd Reading of Ordinance #25-876
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
10. 1st and 2nd Reading of Ordinance #25-877
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
11. 1st and 2nd Reading of Ordinance #25-878
Motion made by Alderman Delk, Seconded by Vice Mayor Peters.
Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderman Delk, Alderman Whitaker, Alderman

Bennett, Alderwoman Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips, Alderman Wiggins

12. 1st and 2nd Reading of Ordinance #25-879

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

NEW BUSINESS

13. Discuss lighting at Nathan Walker Sports Complex

Mayor Garcia stated that this money has been appropriated by the state legislature and you have two quotes in front of you and we need to pick one tonight. This will be in next years budget.

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 to accept the quote from Sesco Lighting for \$138,900.00.

14. Discuss park officer job title

Chief John Mackie stated that April 13 of this year there was a traumatic emergency and Officer Blake Bennett and Officer Dylan Durham performed emergency techniques that saved an individuals life. Chief Mackie presented an award to each of these officers.

Chief Mackie addressed the board concerning the park officer job title and asked if the board could make this a patrol officer at this time. He stated that we do not have the call volume or the man power to just let this be a park officer only. He asked if we could put signs up at Bee Rock for closing times.

Motion made by Alderman Phillips, Seconded by Alderwoman Paulson.

Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderman Delk, Alderman Whitaker, Alderman Bennett, Alderwoman Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips, Alderman Wiggins to make this a patrolman position.

Kevin Peters made a motion and was seconded by Larry Bennett to bring city court back to city hall. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

15. Discuss April 4, 2026 banana pudding festival

Mayor Garcia stated that Center Hill events wants to book this for next year. April 4, 2026 is the date that they have chosen.

Motion made by Alderman Phillips, Seconded by Alderman Bennett.

Voting Yea: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderman Delk, Alderman Whitaker, Alderman Bennett, Alderwoman Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips, Alderman Wiggins to book the banana pudding festival for April 4, 2026.

MAYOR UPDATES

Mayor Garcia gave an update on the wooden structures at Whitaker Park.

The Putnam County Health Department has been in the building since the month of April.

Our next event is going to be Fire on the Mountain, 4th of July event.

Community Garden has garlic and potatoes coming up.

May 15 is the Dominoes opening date.

Jamie Phillips wants to revisit the fire truck.

Motion made by Alderwoman Paulson, Seconded by Alderman Delk.

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

Voting Abstaining: Vice Mayor Peters to purchase both fire trucks and have these financed.

Ella Dishman informed the board that Connie Bishop will be resigning her position on the civil service board. Connie also told Ms. Dishman that she would remain on the civil service board until they have voted in someone else. Mayor Garcia stated that each of you be thinking of a representative and bring to the June's meeting to be voted on.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Alderman Phillips.