



Board of Mayor and Alderman Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 01, 2026 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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ROLL CALL

CALL TO ORDER

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Vice-Mayor Kevin Peters

PUBLIC COMMENT

Suzy Jackson addressed the board concerning the city administrator. Is this going to be a civil service job? Mayor Garcia stated that this would not be under the civil service. She asked if Ms. Ella Dishman has been considered for that position?

COMMITTEE REPORTS

2. Finance Committee minutes - May 5, 2026
3. Finance and Water/Sewer Committee minutes - May 12, 2026
4. Water and Sewer Committee minutes - May 26, 2026

Kevin Peters stated that from the numbers Duane came up with we need to raise the water rates. We are going to lower the minimum rate from 2,000 to 1,000 gallons. That will make the water rate at \$6.74 per 1,000 gallons for inside.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

5. Minutes from May 4, 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

6. Minutes from BOMA Special Called meeting - 05-18-2026

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

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

7. June 1, 2026 monthly bills

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

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 #26-885 - An Ordinance of the Town of Monterey, Tennessee, adopting a budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027

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

9. 1st and 2nd Reading of Ordinance #26-884 - An Ordinance of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen for the Town of Monterey, Tennessee, setting the water and sewer rate schedule

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

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

Voting Nay: Alderman Wolfgram

RESOLUTIONS

10. Consider Resolution 26-008 - A Resolution of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Monterey, Tennessee, supporting recertification in the Tennessee downtowns program

Rafferty Cleary stated that there are multiple alumni across the State of Tennessee and is requiring us to recertify this.

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

11. Consider Resolution #26-009 - A Resolution to adopt formal policies and procedures for housing rehabilitation

Amanda Maynard addressed the board concerning this and stated that we have been awarded \$540,000 for delapidated properties. She stated this is just the rules and regulations for this program.

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

12. Consider Resolution #26-010 - A Resolution ratifying the Putnam County growth plan
Kevin Rush addressed the board concerning the Putnam County growth plan that has been adopted by the economic development board.

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

13. Consider Private Act Resolution ratifying the charter change for city administrator
Mayor Garcia stated that he was emailed a copy of the paper signed by the Speaker of the Senate and Governor Lee. Bill Wiggins stated that he would like an official document in hand before he votes.

Motion made by Alderman Phillips, Seconded by Alderman Wolfgram to pass this ratification.

Voting Yea: Alderman Delk, Alderman Whitaker, Alderman Bennett, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Phillips

Voting Nay: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderwoman Paulson

Voting Abstaining: Alderman Wiggins

Motion failed.

NEW BUSINESS

Jamie Phillips asked about the position at the water treatment plant. What is the plan? Mayor Garcia stated that we were waiting on the city manager position.

Motion made by Alderman Phillips, Seconded by Alderman Delk to put Johnathan Phillips full time at the water treatment plant.

Voting Yea: Alderman Delk, Alderman Phillips

Voting Nay: Vice Mayor Peters, Alderman Bennett, Alderwoman Paulson, Alderman Wolfgram, Alderman Wiggins

Voting Abstaining: Alderman Whitaker

Motion failed.

Kevin Peters made a motion and was seconded by Larry Bennett to purchase a pump. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Bill Wiggins stated that Farmer's Market we have moved the flea market people to the parking area at Cumberland Container. I think that we need to send this back to the building and grounds committee and have them look at this.

Kevin Peters stated that he did get a quote back on three air packs that will be a 100% grant \$35,400. Kevin made a motion and was seconded by Spencer to purchase these three. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Bill Wiggins stated that the \$8000 was left in the hometown project needs to be used.

Bill Wiggins asked what was going on the 200 block of W. Crawford. Some guy has been scraping the road and making a trench under the sidewalk.

Larry Bennett asked what the status was at the Nate? Mayor Garcia stated that the lights are up and working.

MAYOR UPDATES

There was none.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Alderman Bennett.

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