



Board of Mayor and Alderman Work Session and Special Called Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 23, 2026 at 6:30 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

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

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RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution 2026 - 3 City Administrator - MTAS 1st draft

Alderman Bill Wiggins stated that on reading the one written by MTAS, who is the city clerk? He stated that should be struck. Mayor Garcia stated you would have to ask Warren because he doesn't know. Bill Wiggins asked if this was going to be an employee or a contract position? If employee, it would go to civil service and if contractor it would go to the board. He stated that if it is Rafferty, we would have to attach benefits for him as a contractor. Bill Wiggins stated that he is for a city administrator but he is not for a dissolution of a position for this city administrator. Cecilia Paulsen asked what we would need a clerk for? Mayor Garcia stated that he thinks that is just usual wording. Jim Wolfgram asked so we are striking the town clerk and the city judge. Cecilia asked if this administrator would be open to other applications besides in house? Mayor Garcia stated that he was not sure. Cecilia Paulsen asked if we are sticking to the wording of MTAS and still have civil service board? Jamie Phillips asked if we are going to keep cultural administrator and have a city administrator? He stated that we could not financially do the cultural administrator and city administrator. Cecilia asked how is one person going to do both

jobs? Jim Wolfgram stated why don't we just have one cultural administrator and one city administrator instead of having two cultural administrators? Larry Bennett stated that he doesn't think anyone here is against the city administrator but we need to leave the civil service board alone. Where is the money going to come from to pay the city administrator? Jim Whitaker stated that cutting the Depot is not something he thinks we should do. Bill Wiggins stated that the position that Johnathan went to at the water plant, he thinks that needs to be advertised. Mayor Garcia stated he was transferred to the water plant. Cecilia asked if that position was advertised? Mayor Garcia stated no. Bill Wiggins asked if we have insurance for the helicopter drop for the egg hunt? Jim Wolfgram asked if we wanted to get rid of the civil service board language and let them be separate from the city administrator. Kevin Peters stated that this should go to a referendum and let the people vote on this to see if they want a city administrator. Jim Whitaker asked if we have a paid fire department would they be hired through the civil service board? Kevin Peters stated yes. Kevin went on to state that the people should have a say so in if we have a city administrator or not. After some discussion, the work session adjourned and the special called meeting was called to order.

2. Resolution 2026 - 3 City Administrator - MTAS 2nd draft
3. Alderman Bill Wiggins draft for City Administrator
4. Resolution 2026-3 - City Administrator from 2003 draft from city attorney

Resolution 2026-3

Motion made by Alderman Wiggins, Seconded by Alderman Whitaker to use the 2003 Resolution except take everything out after section one and then add in about the deletion of the city recorder and mayor wording.

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

Voting Nay: Vice Mayor Peters Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT