

February 19, 2009

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Sparta, White County, Tennessee, met in a regularly scheduled meeting at the City Hall, at 5:00 PM on the 19th day of February 2009, with Mayor Pedigo presiding.

<u>Members Present</u>	<u>Members Absent</u>
Vice-Mayor Hoyte Jones	
Alderman Robert Officer	
Alderman Judy Payne	
Alderman Debbie Sopha	
Alderman Robert Verble	
Alderman Jeff Young	

Other city staff members present were:

Hugh M. Carmichael II	City Administrator	Present
Tonya R. Tindle	City Recorder	Present
L. R. West	Electric System Director	Present
Lynn Omohundro	City Attorney	Present
Jeff Guth	Police Chief	Present
Dennis Clark	Codes Enforcement Officer	Present
Ed Kay	Fire Chief	Absent
Ross Fann	Public Works Director	Absent

A quorum was present and notice had been previously mailed to all members and the news media. Mayor Pedigo called the meeting to order.

There was a motion by Alderman Sopha with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2009 regular meeting which had been previously mailed to all board members and read by each member prior to the meeting. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Payne with a second by Vice-Mayor Jones to approve the bid from Valley Ford Mercury in the amount of \$39,885.00 for a 2009 Ford F-350 4 X 4 Pickup Truck. The roll call was as follows:

Mayor Pedigo.....	No
Vice-Mayor Jones	No
Alderman Officer.....	No
Alderman Payne.....	No
Alderman Sopha.....	No
Alderman Verble.....	No
Alderman Young.....	No

The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Young with a second by Alderman Sopha to approve the low bid from Alexander Automotive in the amount of \$38,588.00 for a 2009 Ford F-350 4 X 4 Pickup Truck. The roll call was as follows:

Mayor Pedigo.....	Yes
Vice-Mayor Jones	No
Alderman Officer.....	Yes
Alderman Payne.....	Yes
Alderman Sopha.....	Yes
Alderman Verble.....	Yes
Alderman Young.....	Yes

The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Young with a second by Alderman Verble to reject all bids regarding the tandem axle lowboy trailer due to the cost and to authorize an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 for the purchase of a used lowboy trailer in accordance with the provisions of TCA §12-3-1003. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Sopha with a second by Vice-Mayor Jones to authorize the solicitation of bids for the purchase of a tractor, loader and rotary mower for the Electric Department. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. The motion passed.

Helen Pate, Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, introduced Jodie Sliger to explain the Chamber's "Shop Sparta First" campaign to help local business owners and the community.

There was a motion by Alderman Young with a second by Alderman Sopha to decline a Forestry grant from the State Forestry Division that would cost the City \$4,450.00 to plant trees in Pearson Park. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. The motion passed.

There was a motion by Vice-Mayor Jones with a second by Alderman Sopha to postpone any decision regarding allowing business owners outside the City limits to hook onto the sewer system until the City Attorney could look into the legality of the matter. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. The motion passed.

Additional items discussed:

- Tornado Sirens
- Buzzard Population
- Engineer bill regarding Thomas Industries

There being no further business, there was a motion to adjourn by Alderman Sopha with second by Vice-Mayor Jones. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 6:02 P.M.

Read and approved this _____ day of _____, 2009

Tommy Pedigo, Mayor

ATTEST

Tonya R. Tindle, City Recorder