

**March 6, 2008**

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Sparta, White County, Tennessee, met in regular session at the City Hall, at 5:00 PM on the 6th<sup>day</sup> of March 2008, with Mayor Pedigo presiding.

**Members Present**

Alderman Howard Griffin  
Vice-Mayor Hoyt Jones  
Alderman Bobby Officer

Alderman Debbie Sopha  
Alderman Jeff Young

**Members Absent**

Alderman Margaret Pearson

Other city staff members present were:

Hugh M. Carmichael II	City Administrator	Absent
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	Present
Ross Fann	Public Works Director	Present

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 Vice-Mayor Jones with a second by Alderman Sopha to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2008 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.

Mayor Pedigo recognized Gail Swindell, a resident of Rainbow Hills Subdivision, and allowed comments regarding the concern of dropped water pressure in that neighborhood. After discussion, the Mayor assured the residents that the problem was being addressed and invited them back to the next meeting for an update.

There was a motion by Alderman Young with a second by Vice-Mayor Jones to table voting on Ordinance No. 08-829, an ordinance to add a Chapter to Title 17 of the Sparta Municipal Code regarding solid waste service policies and fees to give the Board more time to make a decision. The roll call was as follows:

Mayor Pedigo.....	Yes
Alderman Griffin.....	Yes
Vice-Mayor Jones.....	Yes
Alderman Officer.....	Yes
Alderman Pearson.....	Absent
Alderman Sopha.....	Yes
Alderman Young.....	Yes

The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Griffin with a second by Vice-Mayor Jones to approve Resolution No. 08-425, a resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application to THDA for housing rehabilitation grant funds. The roll call was as follows:

Mayor Pedigo.....	Yes
Alderman Griffin.....	Yes
Vice-Mayor Jones.....	Yes
Alderman Officer.....	Yes
Alderman Pearson.....	Absent
Alderman Sopha.....	Yes
Alderman Young.....	Yes

The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Sopha with a second by Alderman Young to approve the City Recorder's financial reports. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Officer with a second by Alderman Young to authorize the Mayor to execute a contract with the TN Department of Agriculture Forestry Division for an urban forestry grant project. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Sopha with a second by Vice-Mayor Jones to approve property tax change of assessment #07-324. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. The motion passed.

The Mayor recognized Rick Pullum, a resident on S. Oak Street, and asked for an update regarding birds that are roosting in that area. The property owners were having the lot cleared and hoped that would solve the problem.

Additional items discussed:

- Update on Margaret Pearson
- Tornado siren requested for City
- Turn signals on streets need to be updated and marked correctly

There being no further business, there was a motion to adjourn by Alderman Young with second by Alderman Officer voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 P.M.

Read and approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008

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Tommy Pedigo, Mayor

ATTEST

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Tonya R. Tindle, City Recorder