

September 17, 2009

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Sparta, White County, Tennessee, met in a regular scheduled meeting at the City Hall, at 5:00 PM on the 17th day of September 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	Absent
Ed Kay	Fire Chief	Absent
Olof Fornehed	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 Alderman Payne with a second by Alderman Sopha to approve the minutes of the September 3, 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 Vice-Mayor Jones with a second by Alderman Payne to approve Ordinance No. 09-841 on first reading, an ordinance to amend the operating budget for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009 which was adopted by Ordinance No. 08-831. The roll call was as follows:

Mayor Pedigo.....Yes
 Vice-Mayor JonesYes
 Alderman Officer.....Yes
 Alderman Payne.....Yes
 Alderman Sopha.....Yes
 Alderman Verble.....Yes
 Alderman Young.....Yes
 The motion passed.

Olof Fornehed, Public Works Director, gave a departmental report and discussed the following:

- Update on Camp Heights water improvement project
- Bleach system @ water plant complete
- Lagoons @ water plant

Jeff Guth, Police Chief, gave a departmental report and discussed the following:

- Patrol of Wallace-Smith Park continued
- Upcoming air show

L.R. West, Electric Director, gave a departmental report and discussed the following:

- Engineering firm
- TVA heat pump program

There was a motion by Alderman Officer with a second by Alderman Verble to approve Jonathan Morgan as a volunteer firefighter. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Payne with a second by Alderman Sopha to authorize the execution of a retainer agreement for professional consulting services from the engineering firm of Patterson & Dewar Engineers, Inc. for the Electric Department. The roll call was as follows:

Mayor Pedigo.....Yes
 Vice-Mayor JonesYes
 Alderman Officer.....Yes
 Alderman Payne.....Yes
 Alderman Sopha.....Yes
 Alderman Verble.....Yes
 Alderman Young.....Yes
 The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Payne with a second by Alderman Sopha to approve the proposal from the engineering firm of Patterson & Dewar Engineers, Inc. to conduct an Arc Hazard Assessment for the Electric Department in the amount of \$4,000.00. The roll call was as follows:

Mayor Pedigo.....Yes
Vice-Mayor JonesYes
Alderman Officer.....Yes
Alderman Payne.....Yes
Alderman Sopha.....Yes
Alderman Verble.....Yes
Alderman Young..... Yes
The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Sopha with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the only bid for Sodium Hypochlorite (bleach) for the water plant from Dycho Chemicals, Inc. at .982 cents/ gallon. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Sopha with a second by Vice-Mayor Jones to approve promoting Chris Bennett from Police Officer (pay grade 4-5) to Police Sergeant (pay grade 5-3), Charlie Sims from Animal Control Officer (pay grade 2-2) to Police Officer (pay grade 4-1) and to take applications for Animal Control Officer. These changes are due to the retirement of Police Lieutenant, Ken McCormick. The roll call was as follows:

Mayor Pedigo.....Yes
Vice-Mayor JonesYes
Alderman Officer.....Yes
Alderman Payne.....Yes
Alderman Sopha.....Yes
Alderman Verble.....Yes
Alderman Young..... Yes
The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Sopha with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the hiring recommendation of Nathan Edmonds for street laborer to fill a vacant position. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Officer with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the parade permit for White County Community Hospital Relay for Life 5K race on 10/31/09. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

Mike Kress, attorney for E-911, was available to answer any questions the Board had regarding the recent discussions on additional funding being requested by E-911. After some discussion, there was a motion by Alderman Young with a second by Alderman Verble to give E-911 an additional \$25,000 in funding for the budget year ending June 30, 2010, contingent upon approval by the White County Commission of additional funding for E-911 services. The roll call was as follows:

Mayor Pedigo.....No
Vice-Mayor JonesYes
Alderman Officer.....No
Alderman Payne.....No
Alderman Sopha.....No
Alderman Verble.....Yes
Alderman Young..... Yes
The motion failed.

Additional items discussed:

- YMCA funding work session needed
- Letter from State complimenting Water Plant inspection
- Possible 4-way stop @ Church & Cedar Bend
- Cross walk needed @ courthouse

There being no further business, there was a motion to adjourn by Alderman Sopha with second by Alderman Verble. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 5:53 P.M.

Read and approved this _____ day of _____, 2009

Tommy Pedigo, Mayor

ATTEST

Tonya R. Tindle, City Recorder