

*April 2, 2015*

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 2nd day of April 2015, with Mayor Jeff Young presiding.

***Members Present***

Alderman Jim Floyd  
Alderman Chad Griffin  
Alderman Hoyt Jones  
Alderman Robert Officer  
Alderman Judy Payne  
Vice-Mayor Robert Verble

***Members Absent***

Other city staff members present were:

Ben Holland	Interim City Administrator	Present
Tonya R. Tindle	City Recorder	Present
L. R. West	Electric System Director	Present
Lynn Omohundro	City Attorney	Absent
Jeff Guth	Police Chief	Present
Kirk Young	Fire Chief	Absent
Dillard Quick	Public Works Director	Present

A quorum was present and notice had been previously mailed to all members and the news media. Mayor Young called the meeting to order. Jeff Guth opened with a prayer by request of the Mayor. Robert Officer, Alderman, led the Pledge of Allegiance by request of the Mayor.

There was a motion by Alderman Payne with a second by Alderman Griffin to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2015 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.

Department heads gave reports and there were no comments.

There was a motion by Alderman Officer with a second by Alderman Floyd to approve the low bid from Aquatic Resource Group of \$37,739.33 for repairs to the YMCA swimming pool. The roll call was as follows:

Mayor Young.....Yes  
Alderman Floyd.....Yes  
Alderman Griffin.....Yes  
Alderman Jones.....Yes  
Alderman Officer.....Yes  
Alderman Payne.....Yes  
Vice-Mayor Verble.....Yes  
The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Griffin with a second by Alderman Jones to approve the purchase of a Stumper 240 ST stump grinder attachment for the mini excavator from Bay Engineering in the amount of \$7,519.00, for the Public Works Department – Street Division. The roll call was as follows:

Mayor Young.....Yes  
Alderman Floyd.....Yes  
Alderman Griffin.....Yes  
Alderman Jones.....Yes  
Alderman Officer.....Yes  
Alderman Payne.....Yes

Vice-Mayor Verble.....Yes  
The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Jones with a second by Alderman Payne to authorize the solicitation of bids for portable covers for the settling basins at the water treatment plant, which is a budgeted item. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Payne with a second by Alderman Floyd to authorize the solicitation of bids for paving the old jail parking lot. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Officer with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the property tax change of assessments #14-430. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Jones with a second by Alderman Griffin to proceed with demolition and cleanup of the lot and place a lien on the property located at 658 N. Edgewood Drive belonging to Betty Stafford, due to the home owner failing to appear with a firm plan of action. The roll call was as follows:

Mayor Young.....Yes  
Alderman Floyd.....Yes  
Alderman Griffin.....Yes  
Alderman Jones.....Yes  
Alderman Officer.....Yes  
Alderman Payne.....Yes  
Vice-Mayor Verble.....Yes  
The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Griffin with a second by Vice-Mayor Verble to pass Ordinance No.15-885 on second and final reading, an ordinance to adopt the 2008 MFPA 70 National Electrical Code. The roll call was as follows:

Mayor Young.....Yes  
Alderman Floyd.....Yes  
Alderman Griffin.....Yes  
Alderman Jones.....Yes  
Alderman Officer.....Yes  
Alderman Payne.....Yes  
Vice-Mayor Verble.....Yes  
The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Officer with a second by Alderman Payne to approve applying for the Governor's Highway Safety Grant of \$5,000.00 for the Police Department. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Griffin with a second by Alderman Jones to grant approval for the sale of the two wetland mitigation sites per FAA regulations which will provide grant funding for future airport improvements. The roll call was as follows:

Mayor Young.....Yes  
Alderman Floyd.....Yes  
Alderman Griffin.....Yes  
Alderman Jones.....Yes  
Alderman Officer.....Yes

Alderman Payne.....Yes  
Vice-Mayor Verble.....Yes  
The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Jones with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the hiring recommendation of Tyler Brady for the position of Electric Apprentice Lineman, due to the resignation of Greg Cravens. The roll call was as follows:

Mayor Young.....Yes  
Alderman Floyd.....Yes  
Alderman Griffin.....Yes  
Alderman Jones.....Yes  
Alderman Officer.....Yes  
Alderman Payne.....Yes  
Vice-Mayor Verble.....Yes  
The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Officer with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the appointment of Barbara Witzigman as the City appointee to the White County Board of Equalization. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

Additional items discussed:

- Financing for water plant
- Reimbursement Resolution
- TML Bond Fund meeting
- City Administrator position
- Chamber Director comments
- Way-finding signs
- Archery team wins State competition

There being no further business, there was a motion to adjourn by Alderman Floyd with a second by Alderman Griffin. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 P.M.

Read and approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015

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Jeff Young, Mayor

ATTEST

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Tonya R. Tindle, City Recorder