

April 18, 2024

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Sparta, White County, Tennessee, met in a scheduled meeting at Sparta City Hall, at 5:00 PM on the 18th day of April 2024, with Mayor Jerry Lowery presiding.

<u>Members Present</u>	<u>Members Absent</u>
Vice-Mayor Bobby Officer	
Alderman Jim Floyd	
Alderman Brian Jones	
Alderman Travis McBride	
Alderman Judy Payne	
Alderman Brent Young	

Status of other city staff members were:

Tonya R. Tindle	City Administrator / City Recorder	Present
Dillard Quick	Public Works Director	Present
Caroline Sapp	City Attorney	Present
Nick Dunn	Police Chief	Present
Kirk Young	Fire Chief	Present
Mike O’Neal	Codes Enforcement	Present
Tonia Wilson	Finance Director	Present
Belva Bess	Electric Manager	Present

A quorum was present and notice had been previously mailed to all members and the news media. Mayor Lowery called the meeting to order. Brian Jones opened with a prayer. Bobby Officer led the Pledge of Allegiance by request of the mayor.

There was a motion by Alderman McBride with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the minutes of the April 4, 2024 regular called 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 Lowery presented Celeste Reed with a proclamation honoring her for her accomplishments in basketball and being named Miss Basketball for the TSSAA Triple A division.

There was a motion by Alderman Floyd with a second by Alderman Payne to approve Ordinance No. 24-974, an ordinance to amend Title 18, Chapter 3 of the City of Sparta, Tennessee municipal code revising its rates effective June 1, 2024, for the sale of water and sewer services and prescribing rates for those services based upon meters read and bills rendered on and after July 1, 2024, for water and sewer usage. The roll call was as follows:

Alderman Floyd.....	Yes
Alderman Jones.....	Yes
Alderman McBride.....	Yes
Vice-Mayor Officer.....	Yes
Alderman Payne.....	Yes
Alderman Young.....	Yes
Mayor Lowery.....	Yes
The motion passed.	

There was a motion by Vice-Mayor Officer with a second by Alderman Payne to approve Resolution No. 24-596, a resolution amending the City of Sparta Human Resources Manual, Section V, Amending Part P regarding the use of personal day leave. The roll call was as follows:

Alderman Floyd.....	Yes
Alderman Jones.....	Yes
Alderman McBride.....	Yes
Vice-Mayor Officer.....	Yes
Alderman Payne.....	Yes
Alderman Young.....	Yes
Mayor Lowery.....	Yes
The motion passed.	

There was a motion by Alderman Floyd with a second by Alderman Pearson to approve the Amendment #2 to the Water Leak Relief, LLC contract extending the same terms for another two years. The roll call was as follows:

Alderman Floyd.....	Yes
Alderman Jones.....	Yes
Alderman McBride.....	Yes
Vice-Mayor Officer.....	Yes

Alderman Payne.....Yes  
Alderman Young.....Yes  
Mayor Lowery.....Yes  
The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Payne with a second by Vice-Mayor Officer to approve the agreement with Tennessee Law Enforcement Support Office, "LESO" in respect to the transfer of surplus personal property from the Department of Justice for City use. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Vice-Mayor Officer with a second by Alderman Payne to authorize the solicitation of applications for the position of Truck Driver for the Sanitation Department, due to the retirement of Ron Pittman. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was discussion regarding placing stop signs at Golden Mountain @ Hale Street, and at the intersection of Turntable Road @ Ray Broyles Rd, as well as the speed limit on Winding Lane. Mayor Lowery encouraged the board to look at these locations before any decisions were made.

There was a motion by Vice-Mayor Officer with a second by Alderman McBride to approve the race application for Team Dani on August 4, 2024 for a 5K. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

Department heads placed their reports in the agenda and Aldermen asked questions.

There was a motion by Vice-Mayor Officer with a second by Alderman Payne to authorize the solicitation of bids for the replacement of several poles and reconnection of lines for the Electric Department. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

Citizens comments were heard:

- Dave Aubrey commented on the intersection at Turntable Rd @ Ray Broyles Road, regarding trees in curve are dangerous.

Additional items discussed:

- Senior Citizens Center Grand Opening April 30, 2024.
- Blue Light Ride 5/28/2024
- Announcement of grant award from Historic Preservation Fund
- Caboose painting

There being no further business, there was a motion to adjourn by Alderman Payne with a second by Alderman Young. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 5:42P.M.

Read and approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024

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Jerry Lowery, Mayor

ATTEST

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Tonya R. Tindle, City Recorder