

August 21, 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 21ST day of August 2008, with Mayor Pedigo presiding.

<u>Members Present</u>	<u>Members Absent</u>
Alderman Howard Griffin	Vice-Mayor Hoyte Jones
Alderman Bobby Officer	Alderman Margaret Pearson
Alderman Debbie Sopha	
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	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 Alderman Sopha with a second by Alderman Young to approve the minutes of the August 7, 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.

There was a motion by Alderman Griffin with a second by Vice-Mayor Jones to approve Ordinance No. 08-830 on second and final reading, an ordinance to replace Chapter 1 of Title 18 of the Sparta Municipal Code pertaining to "Sewer Use". The roll call was as follows:

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

The motion passed.

Mayor Pedigo opened the public hearing regarding Ordinance No. 07-830, an ordinance to adopt the City's budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009. No comments were made and the public hearing was declared closed.

There was a motion by Alderman Griffin with a second by Alderman Young to approve Ordinance No. 08-831 on second and final reading, an ordinance to adopt an operating budget for the City of Sparta for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008, and ending June 30, 2009. The roll call was as follows:

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

The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Officer with a second by Alderman Sopha to approve Resolution No. 08-433, a resolution to adopt a tax rate of \$1.10 for the fiscal year 2008/2009. The roll call was as follows:

Mayor Pedigo.....	Yes
Alderman Griffin.....	Yes
Vice-Mayor Jones.....	Absent
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 Officer to authorize the solicitation of qualifications for engineering design and consulting services for the SR 111 highway lighting project. The roll call was as follows:

Mayor Pedigo.....Yes
Alderman Griffin..... Yes
Vice-Mayor Jones.....Absent
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 Alderman Young to authorize the solicitation of employment applications for the position of Street Laborer for the Public Works Department. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Officer with a second by Alderman Sopha to authorize the Fire Chief Ed Kay to execute a memorandum of understanding between the White County EMS Service and the Sparta Fire Department regarding coordination of the emergency medical First Responder program. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Sopha with a second by Alderman Griffin to approve the parade permit for the White County Community Hospital annual 5K run to be held on October 25, 2008. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Sopha with a second by Alderman Officer to authorize out of state travel for L.R. West to attend a CSA Board of Directors meeting in Florence, Alabama on September 10 – 11, 2008. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. The motion passed.

Ed Kay, Fire Chief, was recognized and presented the Board with a Certificate of Achievement that was awarded to the Sparta Fire Department for their achievement in Student Contact Hours from the State of Tennessee.

There was a motion by Alderman Young with a second by Alderman Sopha to approve funding of \$4,500.00 toward a feasibility study for the Sparta/White County YMCA to be conducted by the Middle Tennessee YMCA. The cost of the study is to be shared by all three agencies. The roll call was as follows:

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

The motion passed.

Additional items discussed:

- Mayor and Board gave gratitude to Alderman Griffin and Alderman Pearson for many years of dedicated service

There being no further business, there was a motion to adjourn by Alderman Sopha with second by Alderman Griffin voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 5:18 P.M.

Read and approved this _____ day of _____, 2008

Tommy Pedigo, Mayor

ATTEST

Tonya R. Tindle, City Recorder