

February 16, 2023

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 16th day of February 2023, with Mayor Jerry Lowery presiding.

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

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
Doug Goff	Police Chief	Present
Kirk Young	Fire Chief	Present
Mike O'Neal	Codes Enforcement	Absent
Belva Bess	Electric Manager	Absent

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

There was a motion by Alderman Payne with a second by Alderman Young to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2023 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.

There was a motion by Alderman Payne with a second by Alderman Floyd to approve the labor and equipment rates with Service Electric Company for contract and emergency work, when needed. The roll call was as follows:

Alderman Floyd.....	Yes
Alderman Jones.....	Absent
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 Payne to approve the revised proposal from Service Electric Company for upgrades to the tap changer at the substation. The original quote was \$97,503.00 and the revised quote is \$118,586.00. This is covered under insurance and will be subject only to our deductible. The roll call was as follows:

Alderman Floyd.....	Yes
Alderman Jones.....	Absent
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 Vice-Mayor Officer to authorize taking bids for mowing the little league fields and the YMCA. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Floyd with a second by Alderman Payne to authorize Hethcoat & Davis Engineers to write specifications and take bids for a new High Service Pump at the water plant. The roll call was as follows:

Alderman Floyd.....	Yes
Alderman Jones.....	Absent
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 Alderman Young to authorize Hethcoat & Davis Engineers to write specifications and take bids for the replacement of the pumps at the Story Mountain pump station. This is a budget item. The roll call was as follows:

Alderman Floyd.....Yes  
Alderman Jones.....Absent  
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 Payne to authorize taking in-house applications for the position of Police Chief, due to the resignation of Doug Goff. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Vice-Mayor Officer with a second by Alderman Payne to authorize taking applications for the position of Trades Helper I, due to the resignation of Matthew Reed. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

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

Citizens comments were heard:

- Erbie Price apologizes to the Board for former negative comments.

No additional items were discussed.

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 5:21 P.M.

Read and approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023

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Jerry Lowery, Mayor

ATTEST

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Tonya R. Tindle, City Recorder