

March 23, 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 23rd day of March 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 Brian Jones
	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
Doug Goff	Police Chief	Present
Kirk Young	Fire Chief	Present
Mike O'Neal	Codes Enforcement	Absent
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. Travis McBride 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 McBride to approve the minutes of the March 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 Floyd with a second by Vice-Mayor Officer to approve Ordinance No. 23-954 on first reading, an ordinance authorizing the rezoning of 239 King Street from (R-A) Residential "A" to (C-D) Commercial "D". The roll call was as follows:

Alderman Floyd.....	Yes
Alderman Jones.....	Absent
Alderman McBride.....	Yes
Vice-Mayor Officer.....	Yes
Alderman Payne.....	Yes
Alderman Young.....	Absent
Mayor Lowery.....	Yes

The motion passed.

There was a motion by Vice-Mayor Officer with a second by Alderman Payne to authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract with TDS, LLC for sewer sludge removal, due to the county land field issues. The roll call was as follows:

Alderman Floyd.....	Yes
Alderman Jones.....	Absent
Alderman McBride.....	Yes
Vice-Mayor Officer.....	Yes
Alderman Payne.....	Yes
Alderman Young.....	Absent
Mayor Lowery.....	Yes

The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Floyd with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the purchase of a fully equipped 2023 Ford Police Interceptor Utility AWD vehicle for the Police Department from Lonnie Cobb Ford of Henderson, TN in the amount of \$49,443.00. Due to a wreck that totaled the previous car the insurance will cover \$19,176.31 of this purchase. The roll call was as follows:

Alderman Floyd.....	Yes
Alderman Jones.....	Absent
Alderman McBride.....	Yes
Vice-Mayor Officer.....	Yes
Alderman Payne.....	Yes
Alderman Young.....	Absent
Mayor Lowery.....	Yes

The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Floyd with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the low bid for mowing the YMCA and adjacent ball fields for the 2023 summer season to Kenneth Young at a rate of \$150.00/ week, as 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.....Absent
 Mayor Lowery.....Yes
 The motion passed.

There was a motion by Vice-Mayor Officer with a second by Alderman McBride to approve the emergency purchase of a motor for the Edd Rogers pump station from Van Brocklin & Associates for a price of \$15,459.00, which is a sole source purchase. The roll call was as follows:

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

There was a motion by Alderman Floyd with a second by Alderman McBride to authorize the solicitation of bids for various size water meters for the water department. The roll call was as follows:

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

There was a motion by Alderman McBride with a second by Alderman Payne to authorize the solicitation of bids for chemicals for the various departments. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Floyd with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the spring paving schedule based on the same laid in place asphalt bid prices from Rogers Group dated July 7, 2022. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Floyd with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the hiring recommendation of Tonia Wilson for the position of Finance Director, due to the promotion of Tonya Tindle to City Administrator. The roll call was as follows:

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

There was a motion by Alderman Floyd with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the promotion of Nick Dunn to Assistant Police Chief, due to the retirement of Doug Goff in June. The roll call was as follows:

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

There was a motion by Alderman Payne with a second by Vice-Mayor Officer to authorize the solicitations of applications for police Investigator, due to the promotion of Nick Dunn to Assistant Police Chief. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Floyd with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the hiring recommendation of Anthony Elrod for the position of Trades Helper I, due to the resigning of Matthew Reed. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Payne with a second by Vice-Mayor Officer to authorize the solicitations of applications for Water Plant Operator, due to the resignation of Nolan Campbell. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Payne with a second by Alderman McBride to approve property tax change of assessments #22-529 & #22-530. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Payne with a second by Vice-Mayor Officer to approve the parade permit for Project Graduation on April 29, 2023. 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 sealing and striping of the courts at Wallace-Smith Park. This is a budgeted item. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

No citizens comments were heard.

No additional items were discussed.

There being no further business, there was a motion to adjourn by Alderman Payne with a second by Alderman McBride. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 5:28 P.M.

Read and approved this _____ day of _____, 2023

Jerry Lowery, Mayor

ATTEST

Tonya R. Tindle, City Recorder