October 5, 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 5th day of October 2023, with Mayor Jerry Lowery presiding.

Members Present	Members Absent
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	Absent
Kirk Young	Fire Chief	Present
Mike O'Neal	Codes Enforcement	Absent
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 Payne with a second by Alderman McBride to approve the minutes of the September 21, 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.

Mayor Lowery opened the public hearing regarding Ordinance No.23-965, an ordinance authorizing the rezoning of N. Spring Street Map 40 Parcel 84 from Manufacturing Industrial (M-I) to Commercial "D" (C-D) to be added to Map 40P Group A Parcel 6. No comments were heard and the public hearing was declared closed.

There was a motion by Alderman McBride with a second by Alderman Payne to approve Ordinance No.23-965 on second and final reading, an ordinance authorizing the rezoning of a portion of N. Spring Street Map 40 Parcel 84 from Manufacturing Industrial (M-I) to Commercial "D" (C-D) to be added to Map 40P Group A Parcel 6. 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.	

Mayor Lowery opened the public hearing regarding Ordinance No.23-966, an ordinance authorizing the rezoning of N. Spring Street Map 40 Group "A" Parcel 7.01 from Commercial "D" (C-D) to Manufacturing Industrial (M-I) to be added to Map 40 Parcel 084.00. No comments were heard and the public hearing was declared closed.

There was a motion by Alderman Floyd with a second by Alderman Payne to approve Ordinance No.23-966 on second and final reading, an ordinance authorizing the rezoning of a portion of N. Spring Street Map 40 Group "A" Parcel 7.01 from Commercial "D" (C-D) to Manufacturing Industrial (M-I) to be added to Map 40 Parcel 084.00. The roll call was as follows:

Alderman Floyd	Vac
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 Alderman McBride to approve Ordinance No.23-967 on second and final reading, an ordinance to amend the 23/24 Water Operating Budget. Amendment required by the Comptroller. The roll call was as follows:

Alderman Floyd	Yes
Alderman Jones	
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 Resolution No. 23-587, a Resolution authorizing the City of Sparta to participate in the property conservation matching grant program. The roll call was as follows:

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

There was a motion by Alderman Payne with a second by Vice-Mayor Officer to approve the purchase of new GIS equipment from the sole source of Duncan Parnell in the amount of \$20,428.99, with the cost being shared over all the departments. This is a budgeted item. 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	
The motion passed.	

There was a motion by Alderman Floyd with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the low bid for roof replacement at City Hall, 6 Liberty Square, to Foam-Crete in the amount of \$54,975.00. To be paid for out of ARPA Funds. The roll call was as follows: Alderman Floyd
There was a motion by Alderman Young with a second by Vice-Mayor Officer to approve the solicitation of bids for the installation of the whole building generator at the YMCA, to be used as a storm / disaster shelter if needed. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.
There was a motion by Alderman Young with a second by Vice-Mayor Officer to approve the solicitation of applications for the position of Police Officer, due to the resignation of Austin Edwards. 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 approve the solicitation of applications for the position of Administrative Clerk, due to the resignation of Mindy Stone. 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 Young. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 5:17 P.M.
Read and approved this, 2023
ATTEST
Tonya R. Tindle, City Recorder