

September 19, 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 19th day of September 2024, with Mayor Jerry Lowery presiding.

<u>Members Present</u>	<u>Members Absent</u>
Vice-Mayor Bobby Officer	
Alderman Jim Floyd	
Alderman Hoyt 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. Mayor Lowery led the meeting in a moment of silence for the untimely death of Lonnie Emerton, a 41- year employee of the City of Sparta. Bobby Officer led the Pledge of Allegiance by request of the mayor.

There was a motion by Alderman Payne with a second by Alderman Jones to approve the minutes of the September 5, 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 administered the oath of office to the new police officers, Aaron Light and Michael Shank.

There was a motion by Alderman Payne with a second by Alderman McBride to approve Ordinance No. 24-982 on second and final reading, an ordinance to amend Title 15 Chapter 5 of the Sparta Municipal code pertaining to the requirements for public advertising and competitive bidding of purchases as authorized by TCA 12-3-1212(b). The roll call was as follows:

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

The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Floyd with a second by Alderman Jones to Resolution No. 24-601, a resolution to declare certain property owned or seized by the city as surplus property and directing disposal of such on Govdeals. The roll call was as follows:

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

The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Floyd with a second by Vice-Mayor Officer to Resolution No. 24-602, a resolution to endorse the use of visual surveillance devices to enhance law enforcement in the City of Sparta. 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 Jones with a second by Alderman McBride to approve the purchase of a 2025 Chevrolet 3500 HD 4WD Crew Cab Truck from Wilson Motors in the amount of \$55,967.64 for the Street Department. This was a budgeted item and on State Contract #209. 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 Jones to approve the hiring recommendation of Eric Golden for the position of Water Plant Operator. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Jones with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the abandonment of approximately .25 acres of property located at approximately 755 Oakland Drive and quitclaim it to the adjoining property owners, Jeff and Kim Young. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

The mayor declared the Board to be in session as the Beer Board.

There was a motion by Vice-Mayor Officer with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the application for an on-site beer permit for Javier Ortiz D/B/A 1938 Social located at 109 West Bockman Way. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

The mayor declared the session of the Beer Board closed.

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

Citizens comments were heard by Erbie Price.

No additional items were discussed.

There being no further business, there was a motion to adjourn by Alderman Payne with a second by Vice-Mayor Officer. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 5:16P.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