

September 5, 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 5th 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	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 August 15, 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 removed the special presentation to install the oath of office to newly hired police officers. They were unable to attend and we be at the next meeting.

Mayor Lowery administered the oath of office to the newly elected Alderman Hoyt Jones and Judy Payne.

There was a motion by Alderman Floyd with a second by Alderman Payne to approve Ordinance No. 24-982 on first 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.....Yes
 - Mayor Lowery.....Yes
- The motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Payne with a second by Alderman Young to approve the finance directors Electric Department year end reports dated June 30, 2024. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Floyd with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the low bid for a new transformer at the substation by GE Prolec in the amount of \$1,886,025.00, to be delivered July 1, 2026. To be paid for from reserves. This will serve the industrial circuit. 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 Floyd with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the purchase of a 2025 Chevrolet 1500 SSV Patrol Truck from Wilson Motors in the amount of \$45,211.40 for the Police 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 Alderman Jones with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the purchase of a 2025 Chevrolet Silverado 2500HD 4WD Crew Cab Truck from Wilson Motors in the amount of \$46,702.60 for the Electric 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 Alderman Floyd with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the purchase of up to \$150,000.00 to spend on various playground equipment from Recreational Concepts for Wallace-Smith and S. Carter Parks. This was a budgeted item and on Sourcwell #010521-LSI. 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 authorize the solicitation of applications for the position of Truck Driver for the public works – Solid Waste, due to the resignation of Zac Peterman. All voted “Aye” by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Alderman Payne with a second by Alderman Young to approve the volunteer firefighter application for Brandon Archer. All voted “Aye” by voice vote. Motion passed.

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

No Citizens comments were heard.

No additional items were discussed.

Mayor Lowery administered the oath of office to newly elected Alderman Brent Young.

There being no further business, there was a motion to adjourn by Alderman Payne with a second by Alderman Officer. All voted “Aye” by voice vote. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 5:15P.M.

Read and approved this _____ day of _____, 2024

Jerry Lowery, Mayor

ATTEST

Tonya R. Tindle, City Recorder