

October 19, 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 19th day of October 2023, with Mayor Jerry Lowery presiding.

<u>Members Present</u>	<u>Members Absent</u>
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	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. 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 Young approve the minutes of the October 5, 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 Alderman Payne to approve the low bid for tree trimming to Big & Tall for \$89.00/hr. for the Electric Department. 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 2024 Curbtender Powerpak Automated Garbage Truck from Municipal Equipment, Inc. in the amount of \$315,000.00 on Sourcewell, Contract #091219-CRB. This will be paid out of ARPA Funds. 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 McBride to approve the solicitation of bids for a truck load of 8 cubic yard and 200 residential Toter containers for the Solid Waste Department. These are budgeted items. 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 Kevin Tayse to fill the vacant position of Street Laborer. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Vice-Mayor Officer with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the hiring recommendation of Darrell Haston to fill the vacant position of Truck Driver for the Street Department. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

Mayor Lowery entertained a discussion regarding the hiring of Reserve Officers for the Powershift. Nick Dunn, Police Chief, and Brent Copeland, Asst. Police Chief led the discussion. Mayor Lowery recommended setting a date for a work session regarding the matter. No action was taken.

There was a motion by Vice-Mayor Officer with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the property tax change of assessments #531,532, & 533. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

There was a motion by Vice-Mayor Officer with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the White County High School Baseball Team Parade Permit for October 28, 2023 for a 5K. The application was altered to include the new board approved parade route. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

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

The Mayor declared the Board 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-Premises Beer permit for Kevin & Christina Troyano d/b/a Christy's Pub Grub on the Square located at 1 East Maple. All voted "Aye" by voice vote. Motion passed.

The Mayor declared the session of the Beer Board closed.

There was a motion by Alderman Floyd with a second by Alderman Payne to approve the change order #1 to Foam-Crete in the amount of \$2,932.63 to add the Bockman Way awning to the roofing bid. This will be paid out of ARPA Funds. 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.

Citizens comments were heard:

- Erbie Price addressed the Board regarding his ditch.

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 5:33 P.M.

Read and approved this _____ day of _____, 2023

Jerry Lowery, Mayor

ATTEST

Tonya R. Tindle, City Recorder