

Spring City Mayor and Board of Commissioners
Public Hearing and Regular City Commission Meeting
June 5, 2025 @ 6:45 P.M.

Be it remembered there was opened and held a Public Hearing and Regular City Commission Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Commissioners on June 5, 2025 at 6:45 p.m. Attending the meeting were Mayor Leon Locke, Vice-Mayor Jody Bauer, Commissioner Thomas Beaver, Commissioner Reba Murphy, City Manager Stephania Motes, City Recorder Brenda Dodson, Police Chief Roger Day, Public Works Director Kevin Hackler, Wastewater Plant Operator Greg Goins, Water Plant Supervisor Danah Thunquist and Librarian Cindy Wilkey.

Also attending the meeting was Joe & Sharon Kelley, Karen Murray, Chuck Murray, Carolyn Lee, Stefan Hickey, Lee Booker, Howard Gilliam, Phyllis Nixon, Nancy Ladd, Patty Crowder, Diane Landreth, Angela Carr, Mitchell Lovins, Chester Kaufman, Terry Smith, Sean O'Neil and Bert Gore with USG Utility Service Company.

The Public Hearing was opened at 6:45 and the following ordinance.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2025-04

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF SPRING CITY, TENNESSEE ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2025 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2026

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:30 pm and the Regular Meeting was opened with prayer and pledge to the American Flag.

Roll call was taken by Brenda Dodson, City Recorder

Commissioner Beaver – Present
Commissioner Jenkins – Absent
Commissioner Murphy – Present
Vice Mayor Bauer – Present
Mayor Leon Locke – Present

Motion was made by Vice-Mayor Bauer and approved by Commissioner Beaver to approve the May 1, 2025 Regular City Commission meeting minutes.

Vote:
Commissioner Beaver-Aye
Commissioner Murphy-Aye
Vice Mayor Bauer-Aye
Mayor Locke-Aye
Motion Carried

Motion was made by Commissioner Murphy, and seconded by Vice-Mayor Bauer to approve Ordinance 2025-04. This is the first reading of this Ordinance

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Vote:
Commissioner Beaver-Aye
Commissioner Murphy-Aye
Vice Mayor Bauer-Aye
Mayor Locke-Aye
Motion Carried

Motion was made by Vice-Mayor Murphy, and seconded by Commissioner Beaver to approve a contract with Utility Service for the water tank maintenance at 3 locations, Hillcrest Water Tank,

Back Valley Water Tank, and the Clearwell Tank at the water plant. The cost of this tank maintenance is as follows:

Hillcrest Tank first 5 years is \$90,345 per contract year, year 6 is \$20,636
Back Valley Tank, first 4 years \$5,000 per contract year, years 5-9 \$36,514, year 10 \$13,407
Clear Well Tank, first 5 years is \$93,389, year 6 is \$19,625

All contracts begin on August 1, 2025

Vote:

Commissioner Beaver-Aye
Commissioner Murphy-Aye
Vice Mayor Bauer-Aye
Mayor Locke-Aye

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Commissioner Murphy, and seconded by Vice-Mayor Bauer to approve a right-of-entry agreement between the City and Cellco Partnership. The agreement is to allow Cellco access into the city owned cell tower located at 260 Cemetery Road for examination of the tower and property for possible use of the tower to enhance their coverage area.

Vote:

Commissioner Beaver-Aye
Commissioner Murphy-Aye
Vice Mayor Bauer-Aye
Mayor Locke-Aye

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Commissioner Murphy, and seconded by Vice Mayor Bauer to approve Spring City Police to donate a push bar bumper to the Rhea County Sheriff Department.

Vote:

Commissioner Beaver-Aye
Commissioner Murphy, Aye
Vice Mayor Bauer-Aye
Mayor Locke-Aye

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Commissioner Murphy, and seconded by Commissioner Beaver to approve the water and sewer utility write-off batch in the amount of \$3,650.31. This list will be sent to Online Exchange for collection.

Vote:

Commissioner Beaver-Aye
Commissioner Murphy-Aye
Vice Mayor Bauer-Aye
Mayor Locke-Aye

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Commissioner Murphy, and seconded by Commissioner Bauer to approve the updated contract with Pyro Shows to include \$1,000.00 to cover the cost of having a technician come in and set-off the fireworks. The board has requested that we search for another vendor for the fireworks for next years show.

Vote:

Commissioner Beaver-Aye
Commissioner Murphy-Aye
Vice Mayor Bauer-Aye
Mayor Locke-Aye

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Commissioner Beaver, and seconded by Commissioner Murphy to approve using MTAS, Municipal Technical Advisory Service for the search and interview process for the City Managers position.

Vote:

Commissioner Beaver-Aye
Commissioner Murphy-Aye
Vice Mayor Bauer-Aye
Mayor Locke-Aye

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Commissioner Murphy, and seconded by Commissioner Beaver to approve Brenda Dodson as the Interim City Manager until the regular City Manager is hired. The board approves paying \$75.00 extra per working day and any weekend day if needed.

Vote:

Commissioner Beaver-Aye
Commissioner Murphy-Aye
Vice Mayor Bauer-Aye
Mayor Locke-Aye

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Commissioner Murphy, and seconded by Vice-Mayor Bauer to accept a resignation letter from Stephania Motes in regards to resigning her position as City Manager for the Town of Spring City.

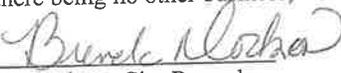
Vote:

Commissioner Beaver-Aye
Commissioner Murphy-Aye
Vice Mayor Bauer-Aye
Mayor Locke-Aye

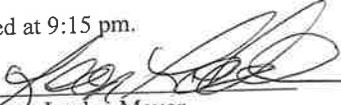
Motion Carried

With there being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

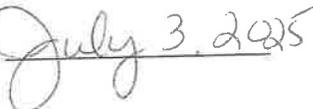
Attest


Brenda Dodson, City Recorder

Mayor


Leon Locke, Mayor

Dated:


July 3, 2025