

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen met in regular session at 7:00 P.M. in Selmer City Hall on May 13th, 2008. Present were: Mayor David Robinson; Aldermen, John Finlayson, Paul Simpson, Edward Smith, John Smith, Lloyd Tennyson.

The meeting opened with prayer by Luke Dela Vergne of Eastside Church of Christ followed with the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag led by Hunter Foote a Selmer Middle School 5th Grader.

The minutes were approved.

Motion by Paul Simpson to approve the Financial Report. Motion seconded by Edward Smith. All five voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Simpson to pass the second reading on an Ordinance to amend the Title 10, Chapter 10, Section 10-205 of the Selmer Municipal Code (Animal Control) which is intended to clarify the issuance of a citation pertaining to noisy dogs. Motion seconded by Lloyd Tennyson. All five voted yes. Motion carried. 2nd reading passed. Ordinance No. 573 Adopted.

Motion by Paul Simpson to pass the second reading on an Ordinance to amend the Title 10 Chapter 10, Section 10-204 (Animal Control) for the Selmer Municipal Code pertaining to the keeping of Pit Bulls within the corporate limits of the Town of Selmer, Tennessee. Motion seconded Edward Smith. Attorney Abernathy advised that the ordinance be read in full as to have no misunderstanding of context. Alderman Paul Simpson read the ordinance at hand aloud in full. The roll was called as follows: John Finlayson—Abstain, Paul Simpson—yes, Edward Smith—yes, John Smith—yes, Lloyd Tennyson—yes. Motion carried. 2nd reading passed. Ordinance No 574 Adopted. Alderman John Finlayson explained that he felt that an ordinance pertaining to Pit Bulls was a good idea, but that he favored an ordinance like the City of Dyer whereby the people were allowed to keep their pets by carrying a large amount of insurance, and with the proper enclosure as defined within the ordinance for their housing. Alderman Finlayson stated that he was abstaining because he was concerned about the Pit's who were raised as pets in a proper environment and were not misused are causing a problem. Although Channel 7 News was present no one spoke from the audience for or against the passing of this ordinance.

Readings for the 1st readings on the amending Budget Ordinance for FY 2008 and the FY 2009 Budget adoption Ordinance were postponed until after a scheduled work session of Monday, May 19th, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. in Selmer City Hall.

Motion by John Finlayson to approve the agreement with TLM for an upcoming UTM Expansion Project. Motion seconded by Edward Smith. All five voted yes. Motion carried.

(Higher Education Committee has recommended TLM to City & County to proceed with plans for expansion using the \$500,000 appropriation from the State.)

Mayor Robinson instructed the record to show that he is appointing Karl Dudley to serve as his appointee to the Joint Economic Development Commission.

Motion by John Smith to approve the appointment of Jim Stackhouse to the Selmer McNairy County Industrial Development Board. Motion seconded by John Finlayson. All five voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by John Finlayson to approve as a donation the waiving of Water, Sewer & Gas hookup fees to the Habitat for Humanity. Motion seconded by Lloyd Tennyson. All five voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Robinson called for bid approval of Hawkins Construction Company to renovate the present meeting and courtroom in Selmer City Hall.

Motion by John Finlayson to approve the renovation contract of Hawkins Construction. Motion failed for lack of second to the motion. Alderman John Smith expressed that he was not against the renovation, but felt that the money was needed for something else.

Meeting Adjourned.