The Mayor and Board of Aldermen met in regular session January 13th, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. in Selmer City Hall. Present were: Mayor David Robinson. Board of Aldermen John Finlayson, Paul Simpson, Edward Smith, John Smith, Lloyd Tennyson.

Rev. Mike Pilcher of First United Methodist Church opened with prayer.

Newly appointed Robert Anthony Carr as Selmer Fire Chief led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.
The minutes were approved and a motion was made by Edward Smith and seconded by Lloyd Tennyson to accept the financial statement. All five voted yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Paul Simpson and seconded by Edward Smith to freeze the town's savings account for the purpose of deterring any possible tax increase should the Cars for Kid's disaster result in a major law suit settlement. Mayor Robinson assured that the Town's savings account was in place to earn interest revenue and would not be used other than the intended purpose. Upon conclusion that it would not be necessary to freeze funds in order to preserve them Paul Simpson and Edward Smith withdrew the motion and second.

Ms. Cheryl Dawson of "4 My Pets" addressed the board with a request for help in funding a spay/neutering program. Ms. Dawson explained that she was handling this extremely needed task on a growing large scale with no outside help or funding. The Board concluded that since her services were conducted for both inside and outside city limits families more discussion was needed and possibly with the City Attorney. Mayor Robinson stated that he would research the issue with MTAS.

Motion by John Smith to pass on seconded reading an Ordinance amending Title 15 of the Selmer Municipal Code by adopting by reference State Traffic Offenses and Rules of the Road. Motion seconded by John Finlayson. All voted yes. Motion carried. 2nd reading passed. Ordinance No. 583 passed.

Selmer Fire Chief Robert Anthony Carr was asked to speak and was further welcomed to his new position with the Town of Selmer.

Meeting Adjourned.