

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen met in regular session December 13, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. in Selmer City Hall. Mayor David Robinson was present with all five Board of Aldermen as follows: John Finlayson, Paul Simpson, Edward Smith, John Smith, and Lloyd Tennyson.

The meeting opened with prayer by Attorney Terry Abernathy followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag led by Mrs. Jackie Tull wife of newly elected Board of Aldermen member Chris Tull.

The minutes were approved, and a motion was made by Paul Simpson and seconded by John Finlayson to accept the financial statement. All five voted yes. Motion carried.

City Judge Ken Seaton performed the swearing in of newly elected Board of Aldermen by administering the Town of Selmer's oath to Chris Tull, Edward Smith, and Paul Simpson who will be beginning a twenty-two year consecutive term on the Board.

Paul Simpson presented framed appreciation certificates from the Town of Selmer to Police Chief Neal Burks to be given to City Investigators Roger Rickman and Tony Miller and Sheriff Guy Buck for outstanding service in catching the bank robber in such a timely manner who robbed the South Bank of McNairy County on September 13, 2011.

Motion by John Smith to pass on seconded reading an Ordinance amending the official Zoning Map by rezoning Map 0891, Group C, Parcel 17.01 along Mulberry Avenue (State Route 15) from the R-1 (Low Density Residential) to B-1 (General Business). (Formerly KFC property.) Motion seconded by Edward Smith. All five voted yes. Motion carried. Ordinance No. 607 passed.

Motion by John Smith and seconded by Lloyd Tennyson to pass on second reading on an Ordinance amending the official Zoning Map by rezoning the properties between Pharr Ave., N 5th Street, Warren Ave. and N 6th Street from R-2 (Medium Density Residential to R-2d (Medium Density Residential/Duplex). (Formerly Ms Grace Kiser's property.) All five voted yes. Motion carried. Ordinance No. 606 passed.

Motion by Paul Simpson and seconded by John Finlayson to pass on second reading an Ordinance to amend Title 7, Chapter 2, of the Selmer Municipal Code relative to the Fire Code. All five voted yes. Motion carried. Ordinance No. 608 passed.

Motion by Edward Smith and seconded by Lloyd Tennyson to pass on second reading an Ordinance to amend Title 8, Chapter 2, Section 8-214 of the Selmer Municipal Code relative to the issuance of a Beer License within 300 Ft. of a Residential Dwelling. John Finlayson—yes, Paul Simpson—yes, Edward Smith—yes, John Smith—NO, Lloyd Tennyson—yes. Motion carried. Ordinance 609 Passed.

Motion by Lloyd Tennyson to officially name the new park on the old Dixie Café property located at 222 East Court Ave., "DIXIE PARK". Motion seconded by Paul Simpson. All five voted yes. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned and the Beer Board was called into session.

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Mayor David Robinson called the Beer Board into session following the regular monthly Mayor and Board meeting to address beer ordinance violations of Selmer Food & Gas, 906 Peach Ave., Selmer Tennessee. All members were present as follows John Finlayson, Paul Simpson, Edward Smith, John Smith, and Lloyd Tennyson.

Officer Kim Holley stated that his department investigated a call that Selmer Food & Gas was selling beer to minors. An eighteen-year-old female informant was sent in to purchase an alcoholic beverage. The female was not asked to show identification and did purchase the alcoholic beverage. The seller was Balbindar Singh who is one of Beer Permit holders. Mr. Singh expressed disbelief when the officers confronted him with the evidence. Mr. Singh invited the Police Officers to view his store camera with him. Upon viewing, the camera revealed that Mr. Singh had sold the beverage to the 18 yr old female informant and to two 17 yr olds whom the officers were also previously aware. None of the under aged purchasers were asked by Mr. Singh to show identification.

There was no one present from the Selmer Food & Gas and the Board was concerned that the owners might not be aware of this meeting although the notice had been served. Chief Neal Burks called Officer Teddy Roberts to the meeting. Officer Roberts informed that he had given the notice to a female who was smoking and standing outside the door of the business whom he thought was an employee, and that he told her to take it inside. Attorney Abernathy informed that the notice should inform the owner of possible consideration of beer permit revocation, and should be served to the owner, not an employee, or just left in the store.

Motion by Paul Simpson to table any action until the next meeting allowing proper notice to the business owner. Motion seconded by Edward Smith. All five members voted yes.

Meeting Adjourned.