

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen met in regular session January 10, 2012 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 newly elected Chris Tull. Mayor Robinson welcomed Chris Tull to his new position as Aldermen.

The meeting opened with prayer by Pastor Jeremy Weekley of Fourth Street Church of Christ followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag led by Mrs. Jackie Tull.

The minutes were approved and a motion was made by Edward Smith and seconded by John Finlayson to accept the financial statement. All five voted yes. Motion carried. Fire Chief Anthony Carr paid special tribute to Fireman Frankey Gilbert for 25 years of outstanding service with the Fire Department. The audience gave Mr. Gilbert an applauding standing ovation.

A motion was made by Paul Simpson to pass a resolution honoring Frankey Gilbert for 25 years of outstanding service with the Selmer Fire Department. Motion seconded by John Smith. All five voted yes. Motion carried.

Norman Sheffield addressed the Board with concerns relative to naming the Parks and memorials. He felt that this was done under a cloak of secrecy, and asked what ordinances were in place to govern naming parks and memorials within the town. He further asked why the Park and Recreation Board had no voice in this. Sheffield said, "You act like there are no standards to naming!" He requested that names be taken and a board set up for input in renaming the Dixie Park. Later in the meeting, Mr. Sheffield presented his lap top computer showing gambling information within Selmer's recreational website. Mayor Robinson thanked him for bringing the information to their attention and assured that a "hacker" had unknowingly attacked their web page, and would be promptly fixed.

Mayor Robinson opened the floor for nominations for the position of Town of Selmer Treasurer. Motion by Paul Simpson and seconded by Edward Smith to reappoint John Smith as Treasurer for the Town of Selmer. All five voted yes. Motion carried. John Smith is Treasurer.

Mayor Robinson called for nominations for Vice Mayor for the Town of Selmer.

Chris Tull nominated John Finlayson as Vice Mayor.

Edward Smith nominated Paul Simpson as Vice Mayor.

Mayor Robinson asked that each member speak the name that they were voting for when the roll was called. Roll was called for naming the Vice Mayor as follows:

John Finlayson---John Finlayson

Paul Simpson---- Paul Simpson

Edward Smith----Paul Simpson

John Smith-----Paul Simpson

Chris Tull----- John Finlayson

Paul Simpson was re-elected as Town of Selmer Vice Mayor.

Motion by John Smith and seconded by Chris Tull to approve a Loan Resolution authoring and providing for the incurrence of indebtedness for the purpose of providing a portion of the cost of acquiring, constructing, enlarging, involving and or extending Water facilities to better serve an area within the jurisdiction for USDA.

All five voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Chris Tull and seconded by Edward Smith to approve the Initial Resolution authorizing the issuance of \$112,000 Water, Sewer and Gas Revenue and Tax Bond, Series 2012 of the Town of Selmer, Tennessee. All five voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by John Smith and seconded by John Finlayson to approve the Bond Resolution authorizing the issuance of a not to exceed \$112,000 Water, Sewer & Gas Revenue and Tax Bond, series 2012 of the Town of Selmer, Tennessee. All five voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Edward Smith and seconded by John Finlayson to approve an Agreement with Bethel Springs, Tn. for the sale and purchase of water. Paul Simpson asked if this would jeopardize the flow of water in Selmer in any way. Mayor Robinson referred him to Public Works Director Richard Ashe. Richard Ashe assured that it would not. All five voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by John Finlayson and seconded by Chris Tull to approve application for a TEMA mitigation grant being funded through FEMA under the Tennessee Decoration number TN-1909 for stabilizing the creek bank and water drainage along the park and road and further authorizing A2H Engineering Firm for engineering services if approved. All five voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by John Finlayson to approve purchasing equipment for the Town of Selmer to begin repairing tires for all town owned vehicles at an approximate cost of \$12,000 to manage the Tire program. Motion seconded by Chris Tull. All five voted yes. Motion carried.

Robert Shackelford a member of the Selmer McNairy Co. Industrial Development Board spoke in behalf of Chairman Maurice Hamm concerning the expiring terms of Carol Ann Woods, Harry Smith, and himself. Mr. Shackelford strongly urged the Board to reappoint the same board members for the next three years and related that they had lots going on and worked well together. Aldermen Simpson informed Mr. Shackelford that the terms would be for the next 6 years. Attorney Wayne Bolton echoed Mr. Shackelford's remarks of the good work within the board as well as expressing that the board had a great deal of wisdom and support and urged the Board of Aldermen to reappoint the present members to the six year term.

Motion by John Smith and seconded by Paul Simpson to table action on Industrial Development Board appointments until next month's meeting. Chris Tull said he hated to think that a decision would be made to upset the good works of the Industrial Board. Aldermen Tull said that the decision had already been made on one member and experience and qualifications were being challenged having never attended a meeting. Tull added that they asked for divine guidance and yet upset a person. John Smith replied that he had only asked to table the appoints until the next meeting. Chris Tull stated that the news was everywhere yesterday. Aldermen Simpson stated that the County Commission planned to vote on the issue next month. Robert Shackelford extended an invitation for them to also attend an industrial meeting prior to making a decision to upset the board. Simpson asked the time of the meeting and said that he planned too, but that he felt that the Industrial Board should do their job. He reminded Mr. Shackelford that the only time he had been at a city meeting was to request guns in the park.

The roll was called on the motion to table the appointments to the Selmer McNairy Co. Industrial Development Board until next month's Mayor and Board of Aldermen meeting as follows. John Finlayson—no, Paul Simpson—yes, Edward Smith---yes, John Smith---yes, and Chris Tull---no. Motion carried to table.

John Smith stated that he had seen the advertisement for a part time police officer and that Michael Gilbert had applied and that he be hired. Mayor Robinson said that he would have to go through the interview process. Aldermen Smith said no that he had already been through the process and that his intention was for Gilbert to go to work without going through any further process.

Motion by John Smith to hire Michael Gilbert in the part-time Police position with a 90-day probationary period at the discretion of Chef Neal Burks.

Motion seconded by Edward Smith. Roll Call: John Finlayson---yes, Paul Simpson---yes, John Smith—yes, Edward Smith—yes, Chris Tull—Abstained. Motion carried.

Mayor Robinson asked if there was further business.
Jeff Sisk stood up and requested that better chairs be purchased by the town for the audience to sit in. Everyone laughed and Mayor Robinson agreed.

Meeting adjourned approximately 7:45 P.M., and the Beer Board was called into session.

The Selmer Beer Board was called into session by Mayor David Robinson following the 7:00 P.M. monthly meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the purpose of addressing violations by Selmer Food & Gas.

Present were: Mayor David Robinson and all five Board members consisting of John Finlayson, Paul Simpson, Edward Smith, John Smith, and Chris Tull.
Mr. Baldindar Singh owner and operator of Selmer Food & Gas, 906 Peach Ave., Selmer, Tennessee was present to answer all questions relative to his selling to a minor. Aldermen Paul Simpson asked Officer Kim Holley and Mr. Singh questions relative to his failing to card an eighteen year old female and the fact that this age is now classed as a minor. Mr. Singh said that the woman was really big in size and was with a fifty five year old man, and that he had no reason to think that she was not older. He stated that prior persons did have false identifications. Mr. Singh was asked why he did not attend the past meeting as requested and he responded that he did not know about it. Mayor Robinson called Investigator Tony Miller to relate that he had spoken with Mr. Singh who admitted that the notice was given to a woman outside. Mr. Singh indicated in response that he did not really know until after the meeting.
Aldermen Simpson asked if the criminal proceeding were in General Sessions Court. Mr. Singh said that it was.

Motion by John Smith to suspend the Beer License of Selmer Food & Gas, 906 Peach Ave., Selmer, Tn. 38375 for sixty days beginning at the discretion of Chief Neal Burks. Motion seconded by Edward Smith. All five voted yes. Motion carried.

Beer Board Adjourned approximately 8:00 P.M.