

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen met in regular session December 11, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. in Selmer City Hall. Mayor David Robinson was present with four Board of Aldermen as follows: John Finlayson, Paul Simpson, Edward Smith, and John Smith. Aldermen Chris Tull was absent.

The meeting opened with prayer by Russell Ingle followed by the pledge of allegiance to the United States Flag of America led by Miss Brenna Anderson and her little brother, Ian Anderson.

The minutes were approved and the motion was made by Paul Simpson and seconded by Edward Smith to accept the financial statement. The four Aldermen present voted yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Russell Ingle representing the McNairy Regional Alliance gave a very positive report of activities and accomplishment within Selmer during the past year. He was most complementary of the Christmas trees lighted along downtown Court Avenue, and gave a special thank you to Shanna Speth and Theresa Robinson for their idea and efforts in making this a success. Russell said that he had heard many compliments on the Christmas Tree Lighting event and felt that it must become a yearly event. He stated that this event as well as the tremendously successful Rockabilly, and Fall Hog Festival were of major interest to other towns and felt that these events could become regional. He informed that the Rockabilly event was so successful that they were planning a "Music Hall of Fame" here in Selmer. Russell said that everyone was extremely proud of the renovation of the "Latta building", that thousands of people came by during the first week of its opening, and that the interest was still growing. He encouraged everyone to come by Thursday night, December 13 from 5:00 to 7:00 P.M. and enjoy Christmas Open House and he further extended an additional invitation to the children to come to the theatre and see "Polar Express" followed by "It's A Wonderful Life".

Motion by John Smith and seconded by John Finlayson to pass on second reading an ordinance amending the text of the Selmer municipal Zoning Ordinance to permit mixing, packaging, and other small scale artesian craft operations in the B-1, (General Business) and B-2 (Central Business) districts as special exceptions. All four Aldermen present voted yes. Chris Tull absent. Motion carried. 2nd Reading Passed. Ordinance No. 617 passed.

Motion by Edward Smith and seconded by Paul Simpson to approve a resolution authorizing the execution of the amendment to the Gas Supply Agreement with TEAC. All four Aldermen present voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Simpson and seconded by Edward Smith to approve the appointment of John Finlayson to the Selmer/McNairy Industrial Development Board. John Finlayson---passed, Paul Simpson---yes, Edward Smith---yes, John Smith---yes, Chris Tull absent. Motion carried. (John Finlayson is filling the vacancy on the board of Maurice Hamm.)

Motion by John Smith and seconded by John Finlayson to approve an amended agreement between the Town of Selmer and McNairy County, and McNairy County Emergency Communication District (911) relating to the joint Fire Complex. All four Aldermen present voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by John Smith and seconded by John Finlayson to declare the 2008 Ford F550, Vin No. 1FDAX57R48EDO7893, Fire rescue truck as surplus properties. All four voted yes. Motion carried.

Jeff Sisk asked that everyone remember that there are hungry people in our area and to give to the Food Banks or try to help a needy person during this Christmas season. He urged everyone to help those less fortunate than we are.

Bruce Manley stated that anyone hungry should come to the Methodist church beans and cornbread supper Wednesday December 19 for a meal and asked that we spread the word concerning the meal.

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Paul Simpson wished everyone a Merry Christmas and expressed appreciation for the city employees and fine job that everyone working for the town of Selmer was doing.

Mayor Robinson echoed a very Merry Christmas to everyone and adjourned the meeting.

Meeting Adjourned approximately 7:16 P.M.