

Mayor Sherry Inman and Board of Aldermen met in regular session July 11, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. in Selmer City Hall. All five Board of Aldermen were present as follows: John Austin, John Finlayson, J.T. Hawkins, Johnny Norris and Willie Sain.

The meeting opened with prayer by J. T. Hawkins followed by the pledge of allegiance to the United States flag of America led by Johnny Norris.

Motion by J. T. Hawkins and seconded by Johnny Norris to approve the minutes of June, 2023. All five voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Johnny Norris and seconded by J. T. Hawkins to accept the June financial statement. All five voted yes. Motion carried.

Department Reports were given.

Ms. Martha Frances Murry, 195 Glover Dr., Selmer TN 38375, addressed the Board with a request to purchase land belonging to the town presently being used as her driveway. John Austin and Johnny Norris explained that this issue would be turned over to the City Attorney to research and let her know what steps must be followed.

Motion by Johnny Norris and seconded by Willie Sain to hire Tom Skehan at a price of \$10,500.00 per year through Southwest Tennessee Development District as the Selmer Consultant and Planner. All five voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by John Finlayson and seconded by Johnny Norris to overturn Mayor Inman's Veto. (Veto shown on next Page)

John Austin---yes, John Finlayson----yes, J. T. Hawkins---yes, Johnny Norris---yes, Willie Sain----No.

Motion carried. Mayor's veto overridden. June 29th Budget Ordinance with Tax Rate Stands.

Motion by Johnny Norris and seconded by J. T. Hawkins to adopt a Resolution supporting and authorizing Mayor Inman to execute and submit an Application to the State of Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) requesting the use of ARP funds in the amount of \$2,000,000.00 (\$1,900,000.00 ARP funding & 5% Town of Selmer local financial support in conjunction with all competitive ARP funds up to \$100,000.00). This Project was explained by Alton Hethcoat at the Work Session to be used for Storm and Waste Water upgrades.

All five voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Johnny Norris to support the Tax Incentive Financing (TIF) program for development on the old Hospital Site Property as explained by Robert Shackelford from the Industrial Development Board at the prior evening's Work Session. Motion seconded by Willie Sain.

All five voted yes. Motion carried.

Phillip Wright of 103 Pharr Ave addressed the Board concerning sewer coming out of a manhole in the area and near the sewer pumping station and asked if there was a time limit on getting this fixed. Superintendent Chris Grissom said that this area would be the first to be repaired when the upcoming Grant comes through.

Melba Huggins reported that she had helped move the musical instruments at the Stage Pavilion in the Park, July 4th, 2023. While awaiting the Fireworks Show a very heavy thunder storm came. Ms. Huggins requested that these outside events be called off earlier should a similar situation arise because the musical instruments were rain soaked and that she had helped move them due to the crisis. She also informed that the roof over the stage was leaking.

Meeting Adjourned.