

January 3, 1994

The Middlesex Governing Body met in regular session on January 3, 1994 at 7:30 p.m. with members Mayor Harvey Lewis, Commissioners David Jordan, Bascoe Lewis, Jerry Daniel, Isaac Lewis and Naomi Powell present. Mayor Lewis called the meeting to order and the invocation was given by Commissioner Isaac Lewis.

The clerk presented the minutes of the previous meeting and several corrections were noted, the clerk was asked to make the necessary corrections and present them for approval in February.

The financial statements for the previous month were presented. Commissioner Daniel moved to accept the statements as correct, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Jordan and carried unanimously.

Utility Supervisor, Sandy Wilson was present and stated that there were no serious problems in his department at this time.

Chief Brock presented the board with a report on the police department for the previous month, reporting one armed robbery, with no arrest at this time.

Commissioner Powell stated that she had not been to visit with an attorney on the Powell Memorial Clinic Ordinance and asked for it to be tabled. Commissioner Jordan moved to table the issue for the Powell Memorial Clinic until further information is available, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Bascoe Lewis and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Jerry Daniel instructed the clerk to contact Elmer Crocker, Chairman of the Powell Memorial Clinic to make copies of the Board of Directors meetings available to this governing body.

Commissioner Jordan moved to remove four receipts from the tax books after they were discovered to be in error: (1) 1993 Tax Book--Ora High receipt #220 dog tax \$2.00, (2) Christine Bunch--receipt # 119, \$64.48 out of town (3) Junior Lee Hinnant--receipt # 232, \$20.76 was supposed to be exempted and (4) Douglas Radford receipt # 411--\$2.75 and 1992 tax book receipt # 464--\$18.18, Jordan's motion was seconded by Commissioner Powell and carried unanimously

The clerk presented a resolution pertaining to the conflict of interest in reference to the board members transacting business with the town, and Commissioner Isaac Lewis moved to adopt the attached resolution allowing elected officials to transact business with the town under G.S. 14-234 (d2), his motion was seconded by Commissioner Jordan and carried by a majority of the vote, with Commissioners Jordan, Isaac Lewis and Bascoe Lewis voting yes and Commissioners Powell and Daniel voting no.

The clerk presented a bill from F.T. Green & Associates in the amount of \$11,553.75 for surveying the annexed area and Field, Cooper & Henderson for \$810.01 for legal services in the annexation study. She stated that the budget would need to be amended before payment could be done on these bills.

Commissioner Daniel moved to amend the General Fund Budget by an increase of \$13,000.00 with the revenue coming from the surplus funds on hand and increase the expenditures by \$12,000.00 in Zoning and \$1,000.00 in legal fees to cover the bills to F.T. Green and Fields & Cooper, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Isaac Lewis and carried unanimously.

In December 1993 the motion was made to end the contract with Carpenter to store and install Christmas decorations for the town, however Carpenter took them down before the clerk had the opportunity to call. The clerk brought up the issue at this meeting and stated that the contract was \$2940.00 per year to store, install and remove and refurbish the decorations. After a general discussion, Commissioner Jordan moved to keep the contract and to pay the bill, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Powell and carried unanimously.

The clerk stated that Captain Stancil of the Middlesex Police Department had volunteered to become the Zoning Administrator for the town and would be willing to move to Middlesex in order to be readily available. Commissioner Jordan stated he felt this would take too much of Stancil's time from the department. Commissioner Daniel stated that Stancil needed to devote his time to his department.

The clerk stated that a Diane Stancil had inquired about the renting of one of the buildings on Nash Steet for a soup kitchen for the homeless and a used clothing store. The board discussed it and said that the building was not equipped for cooking and lodging.

Being no further business, meeting adjourned.

Peggy Bissette
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Town Clerk

Mayor Harvey Lewis *HL*
Commissioners:
David Jordan *DEJ*
Isaac Lewis *IL*
Naomi Powell *NP*
Bascoe Lewis *BL*
Jerry Daniel *JD*