

January 09,1995

On Monday Night, January 09,1995 the Middlesex Governing Body met in regular session 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 at 7:30 p.m. and the invocation was given by Commissioner Daniel.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted with a noted correction on page 782a that stated that Carl Herndon had been appointed to serve as an alternate on the Board of Adjustment, he was appointed to serve as a full member of that Board. Commissioner Jordan moved to approve the Minutes after the correction, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Powell.

The clerk presented the Financial Statements for the month of December 1994 and they were accepted as correct in a motion by Commissioner Jordan, seconded by Commissioner Bascoe Lewis and carried unanimously.

Mayor Lewis introduced Mr. Frank Wright to the board members. Mr. Wright represents Nash Community College and works in the Adult Education Program. He stated that a program was in place at the Middlesex Elementary School but only 8 people were involved and he said that in areas where the local government became involved in the program the attendance greatly improved. Mr. Wright asked the Town of Middlesex to endorse the program which would not involve any money but the following would need to be done:

- (a) convene a meeting of all active group or church leaders.
- (b) have a designated town official present the proposal to the group leaders.
- (c) have the group leaders distribute flyers on Nash Community College on Adult Education.
- (d) set a date for enrollment.

Commissioner Isaac Lewis moved to give full support to this program, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Powell and carried unanimously. Mayor Lewis appointed Commissioner Powell as the designated official for the leadership of this project.

Utility Supervisor, Sanford Wilson was present but stated that he did not have anything to bring before the board at this time.

Chief Brock was present to give a report on the activities of the police department. He reported that a truck parked in front of the pharmacy rolled back across the street damaging the police car doing approximately \$675.00 in damages. The report has been filed with the proper insurance company.

James Montgomery was present requesting that the town install a sewer line to the Old Saint Bethel property at the end of Hanes Avenue in order for it to be used as a Day Care Center or Community Building. Supervisor Wilson stated that it could not be done without a small pump station in its present condition.

The board instructed Mr. Montgomery to state exactly what type of activity the building would be used for and how many people would be cared for and the town would have to get an estimate of the cost involved to do the sewer work if the permits could be obtained from the State since the town is under a sewer moratorium.

The board instructed the clerk to request that Mike Acquesta be at the next meeting to discuss the progress on the contract between Zebulon and Middlesex for its sewer line to Zebulon.

Commissioner Isaac Lewis moved to have Peirson and Whitman to do a design for the water and sewer lines to go along road right of way on NC 231 North in order to get the project done, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Powell and carried unanimously.

The board reviewed a letter from Attorney Liz Fairman in reference to the paving of North Elm Street from Stewart to NC 231. Commissioner Daniel suggested that the clerk contact Ms. Fairman and see what kind of cost would be involved in a condemnation act.

The board reviewed a proposal from Davis Enterprise on doing cemetery maintenance but were not interested in contracting it out when it can be done by town employees.

Upon written request Commissioner Jordan moved to adjust Ronnie Rhodes's water bill from \$60.20 to \$41.40, seconded by Commissioner Daniel and carried unanimously.

There was a discussion on the water bill in the amount of \$633.60 to Mario Obando, a tenant in a mobile home belonging to Jeff and Penny Biggs. There have been several adjustments made on that particular mobile home in the past year, but each time to a different tenant. Commissioner Bascoe Lewis moved to adjust this bill using the normal adjustment procedures and if arrangements are not made within ten days to pay the adjusted figure to discontinue the water service to that mobile home, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Daniel and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Daniel moved to amend the General Fund Budget as follows:

Expense--Gen. Fund Public Building Capital
 projects from \$27,500 to \$47,500.00
 Revenue--Gen. Fund Balance-surplus funds from
 \$38,500 to \$58,000.

Daniels motion was made in order to continue with the project of the new town hall, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Isaac Lewis and carried unanimously.

Mayor Lewis opened the three bids received on the 1984 Dodge Truck, they were as follows:

- (1) Middlesex Motor Company-\$411.86
- (2) Ray Deans-\$385.00
- (3) James D. Johnson 395.00.

Commissioner Isaac Lewis moved to excuse Commissioner Bascoe Lewis from voting on the awarding of the bid to sell the truck since he is the owner of Middlesex Motor Company, Lewis's motion was seconded by Commissioner Jordan and carried.

Commissioner Daniel moved to sell the truck to the highest bidder, Middlesex Motor Company for a total of \$411.86, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Isaac Lewis and carried. Commissioner Bascoe Lewis did not vote.

Commissioner Bascoe Lewis moved to release the following tax values from the tax scroll and to refund Linda Smith any money due to her.

1987--4053.00 @.50 per 100-----	\$20.26
penalties-----	1.20
1988--4030.00 @.50 per 100-----	20.15
penalties-----	.71
1989--3914.00 @.50 per 100-----	19.57
penalties-----	.69
1990--3775.00 @.50 per 100-----	18.88
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penalties-----	1.37

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Being no further business, Commissioner Bascoe Lewis moved to adjourn.

Peggy Bissette
Peggy Bissette,
Town Clerk

Mayor Harvey Lewis *H.L.*
Commissioners
David Jordan *D.J.*
Bascoe Lewis *W.B.L.*
Jerry Daniel
Isaac Lewis *I.L.*
Naomi Powell *N.P.*