January 11, 1999

The Middlesex Governing Body met on January 11, 1999 in the Conference Room of the Town Hall with members Mayor Bobby R. Bissette, Commissioners Harold Meacombs, Fred Hough, Naomi Powell, Isaac Lewis and Basco Lewis present. Mayor Bissette called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and Commissioner Isaac Lewis gave the invocation.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as being recorded correctly by Commissioner Basco Lewis, seconded by Commissioner Hough and carried unanimously.

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

Chief Brock was present and stated that there was a need for stop sign where Rock Side Road intersects with NC231 North, where changes have been made in the travel lanes recently.

The board reviewed a letter from Governor Hunt in reference to the loan being made in the amount of \$318,110.00 to complete the well project for the town.

Commissioner Powell requested that Mayor Bissette look into the possibility of Upper Coastal Plain Government helping the town with application for funding for park renovations.

Mayor Bissette told the board that the town almost ran out of water on Christmas Eve when a power failure occurred, and urged the board to get a generator. Commissioner Meacombs stated that he would have prices for the generator at the next meeting.

The clerk informed the board that the probationary period for Jacob Brown expired December 22, 19998 and Richard Bucklin on January 10, 1999.

Commissioner Isaac Lewis moved o hire Richard Bucklin on a permanent basis and to increase his salary from \$12.25 per hour to \$12.65 per hour and to hire Jacob Brown on permanent basis and to increase his salary from \$8.00 per hour to \$8.35, Lewis' motion was seconded by Commissioner Hough and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hough moved to adjust the water bill of Salvador Cervantes from \$626.20 to \$248.87, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Isaac Lewis and carried unanimously.

The board reviewed a note from Gerald Boykin in expressing his concerns about the way the C231 Curb and Gutter project had left his yard. The clerk was instructed to contact Len Ward of NCDOT about the issue.

Being no further business, Commissioner Hough moved to adjourn.

Peggy Bissette, Town Clerk

Mayor Bobby R. Bissette Commissioners Harold Meacombs Fred Hough Naomi Powell Isaac Lewis Basco Lewis