August 5, 1996

The Middlesex Governing Body met in regular session on Monday, August 5, 1996, with Mayor Bobby R. Bissette, and Commissioners Fred Hough, Naomi Powell, Isaac Lewis, and Bascoe Lewis. Commissioner Jimmy Meacombs was absent. The invocation was given by Commissioner Isaac Lewis.

Mayor Bissette presented a plaque for fourteen years of service to Mrs. Maxine Ray, who had served as an assistant to the Clerk.

Mayor Bissette recognized guests Mr. Don Harvey of S.T. Wooten Company and Mr. Wayne Deal, Nash County Manager. Mr. Harvey stated that he was preparing a proposal for Nash County to submit to the State for a grant for a CDBG award to rehab the area on Finch Avenue known as Crumel Town. In order to upgrade the area, they would need the water and sewer service of the town. Mr. Harvey asked if the board would consider allowing the area to be tied into the town system if the cost was completely incurred by the grant. He stated that the clerk had informed him of the fact that the town is under a moratorium and could not offer sewer service to anyone at this time; however, he said that considering the time frame to get the proposal in to the State and the actual awarding of the grants, that Middlesex might be tied in to the sewer line to Zebulon by the time the work on the project would be started, if in fact, it was even funded.

Commissioner Powell moved to allow the area known as Crumel Town to tie into the town's water and sewer system after the SOC imposed on the town has been lifted if all costs incurred with the project are borne by the grant. Her motion was seconded by Commissioner Bascoe Lewis and carried unanimously.

Mayor Bissette recognized the other guests present - Ms. Edna Mount, Ms. Shirley Richardson, Ms. Mildred Phillips, and Mr. Alvin Brantley.

Ms. Richardson was present to question the Zoning Ordinance regulations concerning a mobile home that burned and she wanted to replace. Mayor Bissette informed her of the rules and stated that she would have to present her case to the Board of Adjustment.

Ms. Phillips was present to seek relief from the present sewer rates, stating that the high rates would most likely required them to be forced to close their laundromat. She stated that they could not increase the fees enough to take care of the additional increase. She asked that the board consider some type of relief. No action was taken on the issue.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as being recorded correctly in a motion by Commissioner Bascoe Lewis, seconded by Commissioner Isaac Lewis, and carried unanimously.

The clerk presented the Financial Statements and they were accepted as correct in a motion by Commissioner Powell, seconded by Commissioner Hough, and carried unanimously.

Chief Brock was present to report on the activities of the police department for the previous month. He also asked if the board would be interested in applying for an additional police officer under the Federal Cops Hiring Program. The cost of the officer would require a 25% match for a period of three years.

Commissioner Powell moved to apply for one officer under the program and to apply for a waiver of the 25% match. Her motion was seconded by Commissioner Bascoe Lewis, and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Powell presented copies of playground equipment with a proposal for equipment that would be approved for pre-school through 6th grade. She asked that each member review it prior to the next meeting.

Commissioner Bascoe Lewis moved to adopt the following resolution to accept the \$1,200,000.00 loan from the State of North Carolina:

MIDDLESEX BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS,

The North Carolina Clean Water Revolving Loan and Grant Act of 1987 and the Education, Clean Water, and Parks Bond Act of 1993 has authorized the making of loans and grants to aid eligible units of government in financing the cost of construction of wastewater treatment works, wastewater collection systems, and water supply systems, water conservation projects, and

WHEREAS,

The North Carolina Environmental Management Commission has offered a State Revolving Loan, in the amount of \$1,200,000.00 for the construction of a wastewater facility line to Zebulon,

WHEREAS,

The Town of Middlesex intends to construct said project in accordance with the approved plans and specifications,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF MIDDLESEX:

That the Town of Middlesex does hereby accept the State Revolving Loan offer of \$1,200,000.00.

That the Town of Middlesex does hereby give assurance to the North Carolina Environmental Management Commission that all items specified on the loan offer, Section II-Assurances will be adhered to.

That Bobby R. Bissette, Mayor and successors so titled, is hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as the appropriate State agency may request in connection with such application or the project; to make the assurances as contained above; and to execute such other documents as may be required in connection with the application.

That the Town of Middlesex has substantially complied or will substantially comply with all Federal, State and Local laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances applicable to the project and to Federal and State grants and loans pertaining thereto.

Adopted this the 8/5/96 at Middlesex, North Carolina

Signature of Chief Executive Officer

Title

Commissioner Lewis' motion to adopt the resolution was seconded by Commissioner Hough and carried unanimously.

After reviewing the SOC imposed by the State of North Carolina, Commissioner Isaac Lewis moved to ask for extended start-up dates and to accept the SOC. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Bascoe Lewis and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Powell moved to approved the transfer of Triax Cablevision to FrontierVision. Her motion was seconded by Commissioner Isaac Lewis and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Isaac Lewis moved to adjust the water bill of Ms. Alice Hopkins from \$118.35 to \$76.10. His motion was seconded by Commission Bascoe Lewis and carried unanimously.

Being no further business, Commissioner Powell moved to adjourn.

Peggy Bissette Town Clerk

Mayor Bobby Bissette
Commissioners
Fred Hough
Naomi Powell
Isaac Lewis
Bascoe Lewis