

October 02, 1995

The Middlesex Governing Body met in regular session on October 02, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. in the town hall. Members present were Mayor Bobby R. Bisette, Commissioners David Jordan, Isaac Lewis, Bascoe Lewis, Naomi Powell and Jerry Daniel. Mayor Bisette called the meeting to order and the invocation was given by Commissioner Isaac Lewis.

The clerk had furnished copies of the last meeting to all the governing body members and Commissioners Powell and Daniel had several corrections and Mayor Bisette asked the board to review them paragraph by paragraph to make corrections. Commissioner Powell moved to accept them as correct after the noted changes, her motion was seconded by Commissioner Isaac Lewis and carried unanimously.

The clerk presented the Financial Statements and they were approved in a motion by Commissioner Jordan, seconded by Commissioner Daniel and carried unanimously.

Stanley Drewery was present and to ask if any decisions had been made on obtaining play equipment for small children at the park. Commissioner Powell stated that she had not done anything on it but would pursue it.

Alvin Brantley spoke before the board and stated that he wanted to make it public that even though he was on the ballot for mayor in the upcoming election, he would not take the position under any circumstances.

The clerk stated that the NC231 Sewer Project was on hold awaiting the decision of placement of the lift station. The issue was tabled in August, when the clerk informed the board that Mr. Bisette stated that he did not want to sell any property on the south side of NC231 but would sell a 50'x 50' parcel of land on the north side of NC 231 for \$5000.00.

Mayor Bisette said that since it involved his father, he would be glad to excuse himself in order for the board to discuss the matter if they so choose.

Commissioner Jordan stated that it might be advantageous to run the line all the way to US264 By-Pass and locate the lift station on the state right-of-way if that were permissible, and that he would like to have the town's engineer look into that possibility.

Commissioner Isaac Lewis stated that he felt the town would be just as well off to spend the money to redesign the line and buy the property as to go through condemnation process and tie the project up even longer.

Commissioner Isaac Lewis moved to proceed with the project, and to purchase the 50' x 50' parcel of land from Daniel Bisette on the north side of NC231 and have Peirson and Whitman to upgrade the design to include the change, Lewis's motion was seconded by Bascoe Lewis and carried unanimously.

The clerk stated that a Mr. Lee had been into the town office with complaints of the town employees cutting the grass in the cemetery with the tractor mower and running across the burial sites. He felt the weight of the tractor would cause the vaults to crush.

Commissioner Bascoe Lewis stated that he did go to the cemetery and they did appear to be running over the burial sites with the tractor even though they had been told not to.

Cemetery Commissioner Isaac Lewis stated that he would get some rules and regulations on where to set the headstones so that it would make grass cutting easier and all stones would be more uniformly set.

The board reviewed a letter from NC Housing Finance in reference to Single-Family Rehabilitation Program. The clerk was instructed to call T.Dale Holland, Consultant and Planner about the possibility of applying for a grant again this year.

Commissioner Daniel moved to instruct the clerk to contact Jimmy Meacombs and Steve Stancil to see what if any help they could give on a Safety Program for the town, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Isaac Lewis and carried unanimously.

The clerk had obtained a quote of \$700.00 to purchase a complete set of the General Statutes, with an update yearly for \$100.00 per year. No action was taken on the issue.

Being no further business, Commissioner Powell moved to adjourn.

Peggy Bissette
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Town Clerk

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Commissioners
David Jordan
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