

December 14, 1998

On December 14, 1998 the Middlesex Governing Body met in regular session with members Mayor Bobby R. Bissette, Commissioners Fred Hough, Naomi Powell and Bascoe Lewis present, Commissioners Isaac Lewis and Harold Meacombs were absent. Mayor Bissette called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m..

Mary McKnight was present to request zoning information and was instructed to contact the clerk during regular office hours and the materials would be available.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved in a motion by Commissioner Hough, seconded by Commissioner Lewis and carried unanimously.

The Financial Statements were accepted as correct in a motion by Commissioner Lewis, seconded by Commissioner Powell and carried unanimously.

Chief Brock was present and stated that his department had been actively patrolling East Hanes Avenue since the last meeting and the streets were being kept clear of those loitering and the loud noises.

Commissioner Powell stated that she wanted the town to begin to prepare to file for grants to enlarge the park this year.

The board reviewed Waste Industry's revised bid proposal to collect the recyclable materials for the town. The cost had been reduced from \$1.25 per month to \$1.10 per household, with the annual adjustment on the Consumer Price Index capping off at 6%.

They also reviewed a proposal from Waste Solutions & Recycling for a price of \$1.00 per household and the Consumer Price Index held to 3%.

Commissioner Lewis moved to accept Waste Solutions and Recycling proposal, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Powell and carried unanimously.

The board asked the clerk for an update on the problem of those not paying for charges available to them and the clerk stated that one had paid in full and the water and sewer was back on, another had paid a partial payment and stated that he would pay the balance after Christmas and one refused to cooperate after being sent a personal letter from the mayor. The board instructed the clerk to send that name to the attorney for action.

Commissioner Fred Hough moved to follow the same pattern used in the previous years to give Christmas Bonus's this year, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Lewis and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Lewis moved to adjust the water bill of Stephen Ladd from \$124.03 to \$88.79 per written request for adjustment, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Hough and carried unanimously.

The board reviewed quotes from T.A. Loving Construction Company and E.C. Pace Company for the work on Buck Deans Road, US 264A and Rock Side Road.

Commissioner Lewis moved to award the bid to T.A. Loving of Goldsboro for the Sewer Line Bid Price of \$295,880.00 and the Water Line Bid Price of \$14,125.00, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Powell and carried unanimously. The money for the water line will come from town revenues, the sewer work will be done with loan and grant money.

The board reviewed materials from the State declaring the town eligible for a loan in the amount of \$294,000 with a twenty year pay back at 2.9% interest and \$23,343.00 with a twenty year payback at 2.47% interest.

Mayor Bissette informed the board that he and the clerk had attended a meeting in Raleigh earlier in the month on the issue of the loan verses the grant money available in 1999. He further stated that more applications would have to be made to compete for the grant money and if this loan was turned down by Middlesex there would be no guarantee that a grant would be given, and he felt it would be in the best interest to the town to accept the loan, get the well on line and then apply for grant money to erect another water storage tower.

Commissioner Powell moved to adopt the following resolution to release technical funds in the amount of \$137.17 to Upper Coastal Plain Gog, her motion was seconded by Commissioner Hough and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION**BY****TOWN OF MIDDLESEX****NASH COUNTY**

WHEREAS, in North Carolina the Lead Regional Organizations, as voluntary organizations serving municipal and county governments, have established productive working relationships with the cities and counties across the state;

WHEREAS, the 1995 General Assembly recognized this need through the appropriation of \$864,270 to help the Lead Regional Organizations assist local governments with grant applications, economic development, community development, and to support local industrial development activities and the activities as deemed appropriate by their local governments; and

WHEREAS, funds are not intended to be used for payment of member dues or assessments to a Lead Regional Organization or to supplant funds appropriated by the member governments;

WHEREAS, in the event that a request is not made by TOWN OF MIDDLESEX for release of these funds to our Regional Council, the available funds will revert to State's general funds; and

WHEREAS, in Upper Coastal Plain COG, funds in the amount of \$48,015 will be used to assist local governments with grant applications in support of community development, economic development and industrial development activities and other technical assistance deemed appropriate by the member governments,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the TOWN OF MIDDLESEX, requests the release of its share of these funds, \$137.17, to UPPER COASTAL PLAIN COG at the earliest possible time in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 324, House Bill 229, section 9.4 of the 1995 Session Laws.

Witnessed this the 14 day of Dec, 1998 in _____, by:

Bobby A. Bissotto

Signature

Peggy Bissett

Signature of Witness

**ORIGINAL
SEAL**

Mayor

Title

Jana Clark

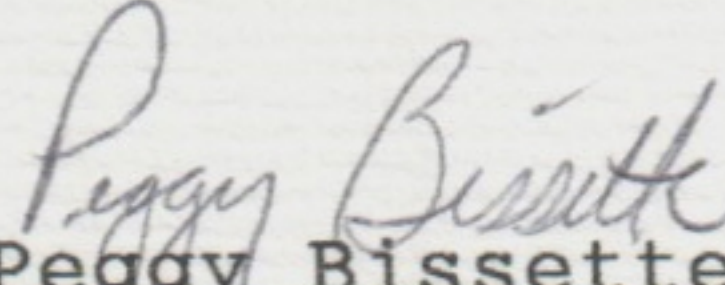
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The board reviewed request for proposed amendments to the North Carolina Interlocal Risk Management Agency; Interlocal Risk Financing Fund of North Carolina; and the Municipal Insurance Trust of North Carolina and Commissioner Hough moved to make the following amendments in the three programs:

- a. Severability
- b. Notice Requirement
- c. Exiting Fee for failure to provide notice

Hough's motion was seconded by Commissioner Powell and carried unanimously.

Being no further business, Commissioner Powell moved to adjourn.


Peggy Bissette,
Town Clerk

Mayor Bobby R. Bissette *BB*
Commissioners
Fred Hough *FH*
Naomi Powell *NP*
Bascoe Lewis *BL*