

December 19, 1996

On December 19, 1996, Mayor Bobby Bisette, Commissioner Isaac Lewis and Clerk Bisette were present along with Micheal Acquesta of Peirson & Whitman Engineering Firm for the opening of the bids for the Sewer Rehabilitation and Wastewater Transmission Line Facilities.

A total of five (5) bids were received for the Wastewater Transmission Line to Zebulon as follows:

1. E.C. Pace Co, Inc -----\$ 964,740.00
P.O. Box 12685
Roanoke, Va 24027
2. Central Builders, Inc.-----\$1,017,395.00
P.O. Box 1679
Rocky Mount, N.C. 27802
3. S.T. Wooten Corp.-----\$1,022,349.50
P.O. Box 2408
Wilson, North Carolina 278944
4. T.A. Loving Company-----\$1,224,925.00
P.O. Box 919
Goldsboro, North Carolina 27533
5. Park Construction Corp.-----\$1,515,979.00
P.O. Box 500
Morrisville, NC 27560

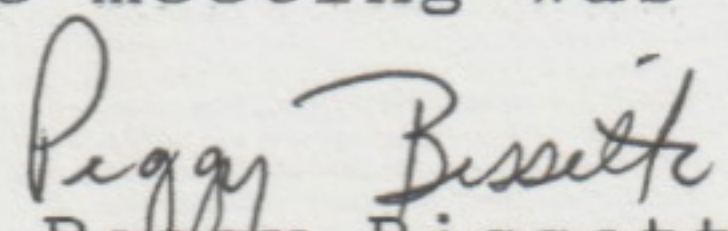
There were three (3) bids submitted for the Rehabilitation Project as follows:

- (1) T.A. Loving Company-----\$ 517,990.00
P.O. Box 919
Goldsboro, North Carolina 27533
- (2) Central Builders-----\$ 560,970.00
P.O. Box 1679
Rocky Mount, North Carolina 27557
- (3) Park Construction Corp.----\$ 748,720.00
P.O. Box 500
Morrisville, NH 27560

Both projects were below estimate and therefore within the funds budgeted.

The awarding of the bids will be done within thirty (30) days after Peirson & Whitman have had ample time to tabulate the bids for accuracy.

Being no further business, the meeting was closed.


Peggy Bisette,
Town Clerk

Mayor Bobby R. Bisette
Commissioner Isaac Lewis

December 02, 1996

The Middlesex Governing Body met in regular session on December 02, 1996 in the Conference Room of the Town Hall with members Mayor Bobby R. Bisette, Commissioners Fred Hough, Jimmy Meacombs, Isaac Lewis, Naomi Powell and Bascoe Lewis present. Mayor Bisette called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and the invocation was given by Commissioner Isaac Lewis.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as correct in a motion by Commissioner Bascoe Lewis, seconded by Commissioner Naomi Powell and carried unanimously. The clerk presented the Financial Statements for the month of November and they were accepted as correct in a motion by Commissioner Hough, seconded by Commissioner Meacombs and carried unanimously.

Mayor Bisette welcomed Mrs. Joanna Miller, representing Recreation Creations Inc., to give some views on the purchasing of playground equipment for the park. Ms. Miller stated that her company made affordable but safe equipment for all ages and that she felt it would be wise to keep the toddler-kindergarden separate from other age groups and she also recommended erecting a sign with warnings and instructions for playing in order to relieve some of the liability that might occur. All equipment needs to have at least a 10" safety surface under it, and all equipment needs to be inspected at least yearly.

Mayor Bisette informed the board that in just the past few days, information had been received informing us that there was money available for park development through the State and that someone from the office staff would be attending those workshops and he felt the town should wait on spending money until we could apply for matching funds. The board agreed to table the subject until after the workshops have been attended.

Chief Brock was present to give a report on the activities of the police department for the past month. He stated that the department had received \$7535.81 in money received from drug related arrests, and that the money would be used in accordance with the laws that govern the spending of it.

Sanford Wilson, Utility Supervisor informed the board that he was having trouble with some water customers turning their water back on, once it had been shut off because of non-payment. He stated that five people had been charged with meter tampering this month.

Commissioner Isaac Lewis, in charge of Water and Sewer told Wilson to keep doing exactly as he had been doing, to cut the delinquent ones off and to prosecute those that did not abide by the rules.

Commissioner Powell moved to adjust the water bill of David Caryle from \$160.60 to \$101.45, her motion was seconded by Commissioner Hough and carried unanimously.

There was a discussion on the repairs of the newly constructed ditch between the railroad and Finch Avenue. It was agreed that more tile was needed and Commissioner Bascoe Lewis stated that he would have it taken care of.

Commissioner Hough had quotes from Pro Coat to repair a leaky roof in the building rented by Dorthy's Consignment, the price to repair the leak is \$425.00 and he also presented quotes on having all three buildings owned by the town on Nash Street sprayed with a coating to help prevent cracking and leaks in the amount of \$3480.00. After discussion, Commissioner Hough moved to accept the quotes from Pro-Coat in the amount of \$425.00 and \$3480.00, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Isaac Lewis and carried unanimously.

The clerk asked for a decision on Christmas Bonus's for the employees this year and Commissioner Bascoe Lewis moved to give Christmas Bonus's at \$150.00 per full time employee and \$75.00 per part-time employee, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Hough and carried with Commissioners Bascoe Lewis, Isaac Lewis, Jimmy Meacombs and Fred Hough voting yes, Commissioner Naomi Powell abstained from voting on the issue.

Commissioner Isaac Lewis moved to adopt an "Emergency Proclamation" in order that the town may receive assistance from the USDA Emergency WaterShed Protection Agency to help clear the streams in town of debri caused by Fran, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Hough and carried unanimously. A copy of the Proclamation is attached to these minutes as insert # 816b.

Commissioner Isaac Lewis moved to release \$133.54 in technical funds to Region L Council of Governments, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Bascoe Lewis and carried unanimously. The resolution will be attached to these minutes as 816d.

Mayor Bissette stated that he wanted the town to be thinking of adopting a growth plan for Middlesex and to consider someone to administer Zoning and Planning before the next budget year. He said that he had received more input about the growth of Middlesex in the past few months than ever before, and stated that we need to be prepared for the growth that is sure to come. The board agreed that this was a very important issue and needs careful consideration.

Being no further business, Commissioner Hough moved to adjourn.

Peggy Bissette
Peggy Bissette,
Town Clerk

Mayor Bobby R. Bissette
Commissioners
Jimmy Meacombs
Fred Hough
Naomi Powell
Isaac Lewis
Bascoe Lewis

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 Region L, 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, \$133.54, to REGION L 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 3 day of Dec, 1996 in _____, by:

Bobby N. Bisette

Signature

Peggy Bisette

Signature of Witness

**ORIGINAL
SEAL**

Mayor

Title

Town Clerk

Title

AN EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION OF THE
TOWN OF MIDDLESEX

WHEREAS, the Town of Middlesex suffered a "major disaster" September 5 and 6, 1996 when struck by Hurricane Fran; and

WHEREAS, severe property damage has occurred within the Town of Middlesex, creating drainage obstructions on public and private property; and

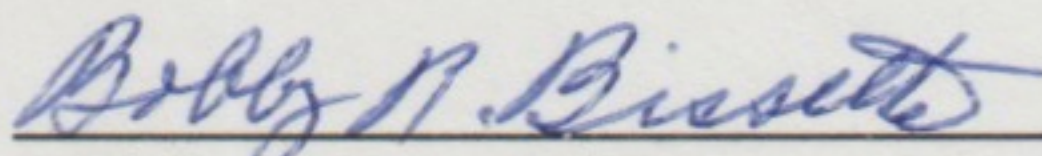
WHEREAS, pursuant to section 1-1-3 of the code of the Town of Middlesex, an emergency proclamation may be issued to maintain order and protect lives or property during the state of emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS PROCLAIMED by the Town Board of Commissioners of the Town of Middlesex that it is necessary to authorize Town Officials, their agents, or assigns to enter onto private property within the Town of Middlesex for the purpose of removing drainage obstructions.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that this proclamation shall take effect upon its execution, and shall remain in effect for one hundred eighty days thereafter.

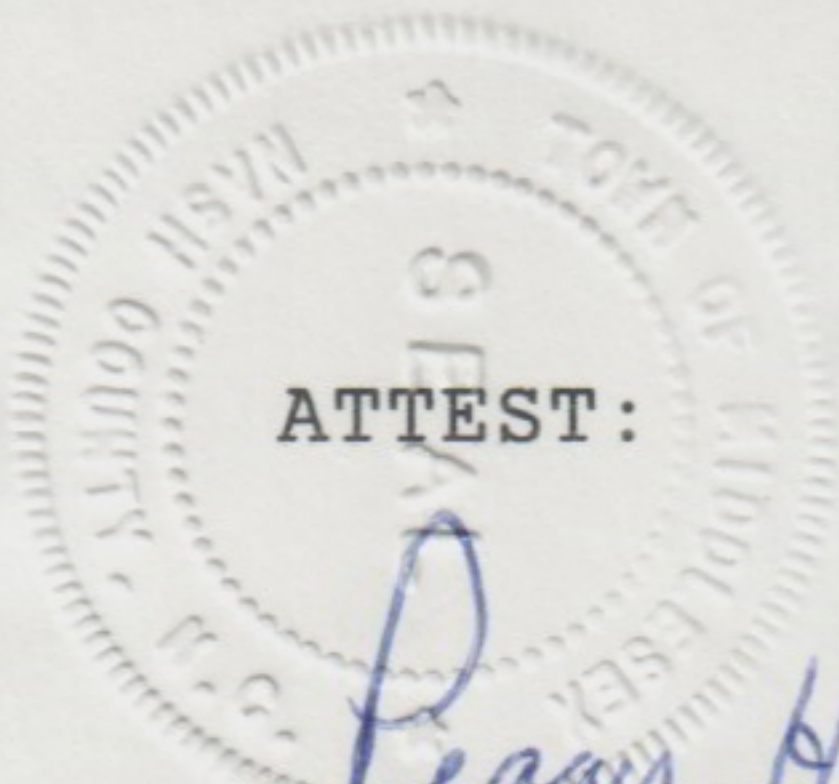
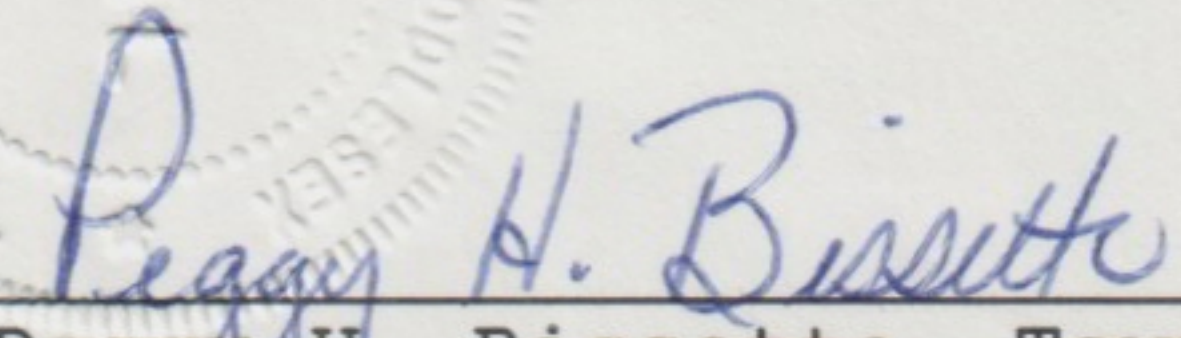
This the 2nd day of December, 1996.

The Town of Middlesex



Bobby R. Bissette,
Mayor

ATTEST:

Peggy H. Bissette, Town Clerk