

March 12, 2001

On Monday Night, March 12, 2001 the Middlesex Governing Body met in regular session in the Conference Room of the Town Hall. Members present were Mayor Bobby R. Bissette, Commissioners Harold Meacombs, Fred Hough, Luke Robinson, Larry Daniel and Bascoe Lewis. Mayor Bissette called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and the invocation was given by Commissioner Daniel.

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

The clerk presented the Financial Statements and Commissioner Robinson moved to accept them as correct, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Daniel and carried unanimously.

Sgt. Gant was present to give the report on the police department's activities for the previous month. He discussed the parking problem at the post office.

Jeff Waddell was present to discuss the utility department, stating that he felt more help was needed with the onset of spring and all the grass cutting that will need to be done.

Commissioner Meacombs stated that he had been to the well site to determine what would be needed before fencing could be done and Mayor Bissette said that he would make the dirt available to the town at no cost if they will haul it to the site.

The board instructed the clerk to try to get two prices from contractors to try to determine how much the cost would be to get an outside to haul the dirt.

Commissioner Daniel said that he had received complaints from citizens concerning the roaming of stray dogs. The clerk was instructed to contact the Nash County Animal Control to try to get them to set traps to remove the dogs from town.

There was a discussion on the sale of surplus property, and the board agreed to retain the backhoe and dump truck, and only advertise to sell the wrecked mustang.

Commissioner Meacombs stated that he had contacted Jeff Stallings in reference to the water usage at the building belonging to Tim Stallings, and after discussion, Meacombs moved to send Jeff Stallings the bill and to adjust it with the same policy afforded to all customers, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Daniel and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Lewis moved to adjust the following water bills per written request:

- a) Kenneth Hinnant from \$238.85 to \$180.45
- b) Charles Brewer from \$105.25 to \$67.65

his motion was seconded by Commissioner Robinson and carried unanimously.

The board set a date of March 26, 2001 at 7:30 for a budget workshop.

Commissioner Daniel moved to advertise to fill the position of clerk's assistance and a laborer for the maintenance department, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Robinson.

The board reviewed the inspections on the town's manholes in the sewer system done by Lucas & Johnson of Zebulon. Of the 236 manholes, there were 164 that needed attention.

Commissioner Meacombs expressed concern about the fact that lack of manpower would cause delays in getting them repaired. He moved to have the clerk try to get a price from a contracting company to do the entire system, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Hough and carried unanimously.

Being no further business, Commissioner Meacombs moved to adjourn.

Peggy Bissette, Town Clerk

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