

April 09,2002

The Middlesex Governing Body met in regular session on April 09,2002 in the Town Hall at 7:30 .m.. 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 and the invocation was given by Commissioner Daniel. Guest were Minnie Kinlaw and Alvin Brantley.

The first item of business was for a Public Hearing on a proposed Water Conservation Program for the town, and Mayor Bissette declared the hearing open for discussion on the issue. Alvin Brantley asked several questions concerning the enforcement of the ordinance. Being no further questions, Mayor Bissette declared the hearing closed at 7:45 p.m..

Mayor Bissette then opened the regular meeting and Commissioner Lewis moved to accept the Minutes of the previous meeting, they were seconded by Commissioner Robinson and carried unanimously.

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

Chief Ridgway gave a report on the activities of the police department for the previous month and stated that Middlesex Police Department had been awarded \$46,800..00 in funds for updating police software and purchasing new computers and printers. It is a 75% Federal and 25% local match.

Ridgway stated that he and Commissioner Daniel had traveled to Durham to view some equipment being donated to the police department to establish a work-out room. The equipment is worth approximately \$15,000.00. The department must pay for it to be moved.

Ridgway further stated that he would receive his Advance Law Enforcement Certificate in May, and invited members of the board to attend the ceremony if interested.

Utility Directory, Jeff Waddell stated that he had received his certificate from Water Cross Connection and Back Flow Prevention this month, and that an ordinance supporting such must be adopted by 2003.

After discussion of out of service vehicles, Commissioner Meacombs moved to advertise to sell the surplus Dodge Army Truck, the Dodge Tank Truck and the 1981 Ford truck used in the water and sewer department, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Daniel and carried unanimously.

The board instructed the clerk to contact the town attorney in reference to the rules and regulations concerning the park.

Commissioner Hough moved to adopt the proposed Water Conservation Program to become part of the Town Water Ordinance, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Daniel and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Lewis moved to accept the resignation of Officer Jarrett Umstead from the police force to take a position at Lake Royale, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Robinson and carried unanimously.

The clerk presented materials from the League to participate in a program to collect debts for the town. Commissioner Meacombs moved to adopt the attached resolution to participate in the Debt Set-Off Program, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Robinson and carried unanimously.

The clerk presented a list of delinquent tax payers to the board and Commissioner Hough moved to advertise and begin collection process on them, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Daniel and carried unanimously.

The board reviewed the rough draft of the proposed 2002-2003 budget.

Being no further business, Commissioner Robinson moved to adjourn.

Peggy Bisette, Town Clerk

Mayor Bobby R. Bisette  
Commissioners  
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