

Middlesex Governing Body Meeting Minutes
August 12, 2019

Mayor Lewis called the meeting to order at 7:30pm and gave the invocation. Members present were Commissioners J.W. McClenny, Danny Alford, Cherrye Davis, Harold Meacombs and Ann Lewis. Police Chief Mike Collins was present. Public Works Supervisor James Liles was also present. The Enterprise newspaper representatives were present. There were 5 other guest.

The July meeting minutes were approved as presented in a motion by Commissioner Lewis and seconded by Commissioner Davis and the motion was carried unanimously.

The meeting agenda was amended to add a turned in resignation by Judy Garver then, it was approved in a motion by Commissioner Meacombs and seconded by Commissioner Alford and the vote was carried unanimously.

Gloria Vinson, The Town Clerk, reviewed the July financials, which were unanimously approved as presented in a motion by Commissioner Alford and seconded by Commissioner McClenny. The vote was unanimous.

Mayor Lewis commented that we had 3 miscellaneous permits.

In old business, Police chief Mike Collins spoke about National Night Out being very successful. We gave away 500 hotdogs. The board congratulated the chief for a successful first National Night Out which was held August 5, 2019. The chief added that all the participating food vendors sold out and everyone said they would be back next year. Window World has completed the 3 additional windows at the police department. The town hall received a new printer from Chris Tripp/CT Technology and it was installed. Williams paving repaired 12 road patches.

In new business, the board approved in a motion by Commissioner McClenny a budget amendment for transferring appropriate monies that were received in 2018 to be moved into the 2019 budget year for National Night Out which needed board approval. Commissioner Lewis seconded and the vote was unanimously carried. Monica Thornton with the USDA is scheduled for USDA Grant/loan closing Monday August 19th 2019 at 2:00pm for a new Jetter, Chipper, 2 zero turn mowers, one Generator and a F150 Crew cab Ford truck for the police department. There was a motion from Commissioner Meacombs to apply for a grant application for the renovation of the dental office in town to renovate for Lane & Associates from The Rural Economic Development. Commissioner

Lewis seconded and the motion was carried. We accepted letters of resignation from police officers Andy Cone, Tyler Mooring, and Judy Garver. Mooring accepted a position with the Nash County Sherriff's office which included a pay raise. Andy Cone accepted a position with the Franklinton Police Department. He will stay on as a part-time police officer with Middlesex. Franklinton is providing Cone the opportunity to be a K-9 Officer. Auxillary Officer, Judy Garver had to resign for medical reasons. Police chief Mike Collins wished all three well.

Mayor Lewis opened the floor for public comment. There were one public comments at this time.

Commissioner Lewis made a motion to go into closed session as authorized by G.S.143-318.11(a)(6). Commissioner Davis seconded it and it was carried unanimously.

Commissioner Lewis made a motion to go back into open session. Commissioner Alford seconded and it was carried unanimously.

Back in open session, Commissioner Meacombs made the motion to hire Joe Amos from part time Police office to full time Police Lieutenant with a starting salary of \$38,000.00 annually with a start date of August 22, 2019. Commissioner Alford seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

With no further business, Commissioner McClenny moved to adjourn. Commissioner Davis seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Gloria Vinson, Town Clerk/Finance Officer

Mayor Luther H. Lewis, Jr.
Commissioners
Ann Lewis
Danny Alford
Cherrye Davis
J.W. McClenny
Harold Meacombs

