

November 08, 2004

The Middlesex Governing Body met in regular session on Monday Night, November 08, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Town Hall. Members present were Mayor Pro-Tem Larry Daniel, Commissioners Harold Meacombs, Fred Hough, Luke Robinson and Basco Lewis. Guest were Alvin Brantley, Vennie Brock and Ken Murchinson of the Spring Hope Enterprise. Daniel called the meeting to order and opened with the invocation.

The Minutes of the previous meetings were approved in a motion by Commissioner Robinson, seconded by Commissioner Meacombs and carried unanimously.

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

Chief Ferrell was present to present the activities of the police department for the month of October. He submitted Officer Brad Shepard's letter of resignation to the board, however, Shepard requested to remain on the town's active reserve list. Ferrell presented Mike Rouse to the board for employment as a police officer to fill Shepard's position. Ferrell stated that the 1999 police car had been backed into by a patron leaving the Middlesex Grocery Store. He further stated that he had received the proper training in the Hazard Mitigation Field and could now train town employees in order to be compliant with the Osha regulations.

Commissioner Robinson moved to accept Shepard's resignation, his motion was seconded by Commission Meacombs and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hough moved to keep Shepard on the active reserve list for the Middlesex Police Department, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Meacombs and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Meacombs stated that he felt the board should move forward in the study done by the MAPS Group as soon as possible.

Mayor Pro-Tem Daniel revived the subject of the Library's request to move its location to the Community Building or the building on Nash Street. Daniel stated that his recommendation would be to leave the library at its present location and concentrate on upgrading that building. He stated that it needed heating/air, painting, re-wiring some of the electrical and a water heater. He had the clerk check on a heat/air system and found it to be in the range of approximately \$3200.00 to \$3500.00.

Commissioner Robinson moved to begin the repairs as soon as possible and the clerk was instructed to get in touch with contractors for the different aspects of the job, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Hough and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hough moved to make the following sewer adjustments:

1. Gerald Bissette from \$192.00 to \$156.00
2. Tammy Daniel from \$ 96.00 to \$36.00
3. Alvin Brantley from \$ 06.00 to \$36.00

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

Commissioner Meacombs moved to adopt the Capital Asset Resolution presented by the town's auditing company.

Town of Middlesex Capital Assets Resolution

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Middlesex desires to establish standards for identifying capital assets and establishing their useful lives in order to comply with GASB 34 reporting requirements; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Middlesex that it shall be the policy of the Town of Middlesex that items costing at or in excess of the following thresholds will be considered capital assets:

Equipment	\$2,500
Buildings	\$10,000
Infrastructure	\$50,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that it for depreciation purposes it shall also be the policy of the Town of Middlesex that the useful lives of the following items shall be established as:

Computer Equipment	3 years
Software	3 years
Equipment (non-computer)	5-10 years
Automobiles	6 years
Furnishings and Fixtures	10 years

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Improvements
Buildings

10-25 years
50 years

This Resolution will be in force for all fiscal years ending after June 30, 2003.

Adopted this the ____ day of _____, 2004.

Attest:

Town Clerk

Mayor

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

Commissioner Robinson moved to go into closed session to discuss employment for police work with Mike Rouse, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Lewis and carried unanimously.

Discussed in closed session were requirement, qualifications and salary. At the end of the discussion, Commissioner Robinson moved to go back into closed session, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Lewis and carried unanimously.

Once back into open session Commissioner Hough moved to offer Rouse a salary of \$25000.00 per year to work as a police officer for the town, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Meacombs and carried unanimously. Rouse stated that he would have to give them an answer within the week.

Chief Ferrell reported to the board that Brandon Lane was over his probationary period and he recommended that Lane be give the 3.5% raise that the other town employees received in July.

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Commissioner Hough moved to increase Lane's salary by 3.5% effective with the next pay period, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Meacombs and carried unanimously.

Being no further business, Commissioner Lewis moved to adjourn.

Peggy Bissette,
Town Clerk

Mayor Pro-Tem Larry Daniel
Commissioners
Harold Meacombs
Fred Hough
Luke Robinson
Basco Lewis