

December 11, 2006

On December 11, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. the Middlesex Governing Body met in the Conference Room of the Town Hall at 10232 South Nash Street for the purpose of holding a Public Hearing on recommendations from the Middlesex Planning Board to amend the Zoning Ordinance to allow certain types of business in a Light Industrial Zone and to change the way Special Use Permits are issued. Guests were Dale Bachmann and Sue Yerkes, Nash County Parks and Recreation Director.

Present were Mayor Lewis, Commissioners Harold Meacombs, Luke Robinson, Derek Bissette, and Basco Lewis. Commissioner Fred Hough was absent. Mayor Lewis called the meeting to order and declared the hearing open for public comment.

Mayor Lewis reviewed the Planning Board's recommended changes as follows:

- (1) Section 308 - Regulations for Commercial and Light Industrial (LI) Districts:
To allow certain types of commercial uses to locate in an established Light Industrial (LI) Zone by Special Use Permit as follows:

- (1) Any retail or wholesale business or service establishment, or public use or utility which is enclosed in a building and does not emit smoke, odor, dust, fumes, glare, noise, or vibration from the building in which it is located, and does not involve bulk storage of volatile materials or other fire hazards, except commercial amusements.

- Offices-businesses; professional and public
- Financial institutions
- Restaurants
- Shopping Centers
- Automobile Service Centers
- Car Washes
- Motels and Hotels

- (2) Amend Section 307.1 of the Zoning Ordinance to require that all Special Use Permit requests be presented to the Planning Board. The Planning Board would make the recommendation to the Board of Commissioners for final approval.

There were no questions from the guests or the Commissioners, so Mayor Lewis declared the hearing closed at 7:10 p.m.

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On December 11, 2006 the Middlesex Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 7:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Town Hall located at 10232 South Nash Street. Members present were Mayor Luther H. Lewis, Jr., Commissioners Harold Meacombs, Luke Robinson, Derek Bissette and Basco Lewis, Commissioner Fred Hough was absent. Mayor Lewis called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.. Guest were Dale Bachmann, Sue Yerkes, Nash County Parks and Recreation Director, and Ken Murchinson of the Spring Hope Enterprise.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved in a motion made by Commissioner Meacombs, seconded by Commissioner Robinson and carried unanimously.

Mayor Lewis opened the floor for the Public Comment Session and no one commented.

The Financial Statements for the month of November were accepted as correct in a motion by Commissioner Robinson, seconded by Commissioner Lewis and carried unanimously.

Gordon Joyner, Town Administrator, asked the board to consider amending the agenda to add a bill from Genesis Electrical to repair some of the wiring on the Christmas Lights and a Budget Amendment for same. Commissioner Bissette moved to approve the agenda with the requested addition. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Meacombs and carried unanimously.

Sue Yerkes of Nash County was present to discuss the possibility of a sports complex between Middlesex and Bailey by the two towns and Nash County applying for a grant to construct the project and once it is funded and constructed, Nash County will assume the responsibility of the park and all of its' upkeep. She stated that she had received an overwhelming response to surveys for a need for the sports complex in this area. She was seeking the Board appointment of a committee of seven, plus one member of the Governing Body from Middlesex.

Commissioner Bissette moved to appoint Mayor Lewis, Travis Clark, Rodney Hough, Julia Liles, Troy Liles, Ronnie Rhodes, Alex Strickland and David Ridgway to the committee. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Robinson and carried unanimously.

Chief Ferrell was present to give the report on the Police Department for the previous month. He stated that the new car had been ordered. He further stated that the department was now registered with the "Missing Child" program.

After discussion on the placement of breakaway signs on the DOT's right-of-way, Commissioner Robinson moved to authorize Administrator Joyner to negotiate and coordinate with the appropriate NCDOT officials for the approval and placement of town welcome/entrance signage at locations on roadways NC231 North and South and US26A, East and West, with the signage being approved by the Board. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Meacombs and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Bissette moved to amend the Middlesex Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Section 308. Regulations for Commercial and Light Industrial Districts:

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

Commissioner Robinson moved to approved the following budget amendment necessitated by roof repairs to the Library building:

10-390-0100	General Fund Balance Appropriation	+ \$5,760
10-680-1500	Library Dept.-Maintenance of Buildings	+ \$5,760

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Meacombs and it carried unanimously.

Commissioner Bissette moved to approve the Genesis Electrical invoice for the Christmas lights wiring repairs for payment and amend the budget as follows:

10-390-0100	General Fund Balance Appropriation	+ \$1,650
10-660-4100	Non-Departmental-Christmas Lights	+ \$1,650

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Robinson and it carried unanimously.

Chief Ferrell requested permission to apply for a grant to obtain five (5) mini-tasers and air cards for four (4) laptop computers at an estimated cost of \$6000.00 with a twenty-five (25) percent match from the town. Commissioner Bissette moved to apply for the grant. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Commissioner Robinson moved to adopt Resolution #R2006-992, which is attached and made a part of these minutes, authorizing the town attorney to seek injunctive relief for code enforcement against Ray and Willie Mae Cameron's junk yard. Robinson's motion was seconded by Commissioner Meacombs and carried unanimously.

Administrator Joyner presented information to the board in reference to implementing a program of recognition for citizens who, in the opinion of the Board, distinguish themselves through volunteer work and/or other contributions of time and service to and for the good of the community. Commissioner Bissette moved to adopt the program, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Meacombs, and carried unanimously.

Administrator Joyner requested approval to purchase a framed plexi-glass covered 24"x 24" picture of the adopted town logo at a quoted cost of \$232 to place on the wall in the conference room. The request was granted in a motion by Commissioner Robinson, seconded by Commissioner Lewis and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Robinson moved to go into Closed Session under G.S. 143-318-11 (a) (2) to review recommendations for outstanding service awards.

Back in Open Session, Commissioner Bissette moved to approve Dale Bachmann and Constance Corbett to receive the Citizen's Recognition Award for 2006. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Meacombs and carried unanimously.

The Board members were given a copy of the contract for Sewer Acceptance by the City of Raleigh for review. A special meeting will be held in the near future to discuss the contract and any changes necessary after the Town Attorney and Engineer have the time to review it and make comments.

Being no further business, Commissioner Bissette moved to adjourn.

Jennifer Lambert
Town Clerk

Mayor Luther H. Lewis, Jr.
Commissioners
Harold Meacombs
Luke Robinson
Derek Bissette
Basco Lewis