

Middlesex Governing Body Meeting Minutes  
February 10, 2020

Mayor Lewis opened the floor for public comment regarding the newly applied for USDA Rural Grant to purchase the following items: a new Massey Ferguson GC 1705 4x4 Compact Tractor with 60 inch mower, a Chevrolet 4x4 public works truck, two 35 KW 3-Phase Generators, one 25 KW 3-Phase Generator, and one 50 KW 3-Phase Generator, totaling \$144,676.28. With no public comment at this time, Mayor Lewis declared the public comment closed.

Mayor Lewis called the meeting to order at 7:30pm and gave the invocation. Commissioners present were Danny Alford, Cherrye Davis, Ann Lewis, J.W. McClenny. Harold Meacombs was not present. Police Chief Mike Collins was present. Public Works Supervisor James Liles was not present. Lindell Kay from The Wilson Times was present. There were two guest at this meeting.

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

The meeting agenda was approved in a motion by Commissioner Lewis and seconded by Commissioner McClenny and the vote was carried unanimously.

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

Mayor Lewis commented that we had 1 miscellaneous building permit. We also had one outside town permit and no inside of town new house permits.

In old business, the new USDA Rural Grant for \$144,676 was discussed. Commissioner Alford made a motion to to go ahead and apply for the new grant. Commissioner Lewis seconded it and the vote was carried unanimous.

In new business, the town approached Henry Manning about purchasing the two lots adjacent to the town's public works lot under the first right of refusal option; in the agreement dated August 23, 2013 are as follows; Lots 14 and 15, Block 19 on East Hanes Avenue. See copy of Buy Sell agreement next page:

# Buy Sell Agreement

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Seller: Henry L. Manning Jr. And Helen Manning

Buyer: Town of Middlesex

Lots To be purchased, under the first right of refusal option, in the agreement dated August 23, 2013 are as follows; Lots 14 and 15, Block 19 on East Hanes Avenue.

The Seller agrees to sell the two lots for \$2800.00

With a discount of \$300.00

For a total selling price of \$2500.00

The discount will be for work in kind, the town agrees to pay for moving a one ton chevy truck from 10219 South Pine Street to the south side of the Manning Brothers store. Then moving the storage container that is located on lots 14 and 15 block 19 to 10219 South Pine Street.

The Buyer Agrees to bear all cost of the sell transaction

Commissioner Lewis made the motion to go ahead with the purchase of the land from the Manning's. Commissioner McClenny seconded it and the vote was carried unanimously. There is also a budget amendment for this purchase to the general fund revenues and to the general fund expenditures in the amount of \$3,800.00 just in case of title searches and extra expenses that may incur.

Commissioner Alford made a motion to approve the budget amendment and Commissioner Davis seconded it and the vote was unanimous. Commissioner Lewis also made a motion for the Town Clerk and the Mayor to be able to sign the appropriate documents pertaining to the USDA rural grant at the time which it will be received. Commissioner McClenny seconded it and the vote was unanimous. Also in new business, Commissioner Lewis made a motion to appoint Ginger Bullock to the board of adjustments. Commissioner McClenny seconded it and the vote was unanimous.

There were no public comments at this time.

Commissioner Lewis made the motion to go into closed session for personnel discussion and Commissioner McClenny seconded it and the vote was unanimous.

Back in open session, Commissioner Alford made the motion to hire Dakota Toms as a part-time police officer. Commissioner McClenny seconded it and the vote was unanimous.

With no further business, Commissioner Lewis moved to adjourn. Commissioner McClenny 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

