

Middlesex Governing Body Meeting Minutes  
March 14, 2022

Mayor Lewis called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and gave the invocation. Members present were Commissioners Danny Alford, Cherry Davis, Harold Meacombs, and Ann Lewis. Commissioner J.W.McClenny and Public Works Supervisor James Liles were not present. Police Chief Mike Collins was present. There was 4 guest at this meeting.

The February meeting minutes and called meeting minutes were approved unanimously as presented in a motion by Commissioner Alford and seconded by Commissioner Meacombs. The motion was carried.

The meeting agenda was amended to add number c to old business for a discussion on the USDA Grant that was discussed in February about purchasing 2 police cars.

The amended meeting agenda was unanimously approved as presented in a motion by Commissioner Meacombs and seconded by Commissioner Lewis.

Gloria Vinson, The Town Clerk, reviewed the February financials, which were unanimously approved as presented in a motion by Commissioner Davis and seconded by Commissioner Meacombs.

The police chief, Mike Collins let everyone know that his report was in the packet and while everyone is reviewing his report that he wanted to comment about police officer Trevor Collins who is out on parental leave and that baby & wife are doing good. He stated that almost all of the items had been ordered for the Grant of \$24,500 that the police dept. received. National Night Out has been scheduled for August 1<sup>st</sup> and the Ginger Thompson Band has been booked. We have picked up previous vendors from last year. Police chief asked the board about getting up to \$1000 to pay some vendors if he needed it but hoped that he would not. He has applied for money from the Nash County Tourism Board. Mayor Lewis commented that if he needs any monies that should not be a problem.

Mayor Lewis reported that he had written 2 new house permits & 2 that were outside town limits being issued for the month of February. He stated that the shell building should close on March 15th.

In old business, the mayor FYI told the group about the grant application to Golden Leaf for money to extend the sewer to the east end of the park and receiving the USDA grant/loan for the sewer rehab project. For the USDA grant for police cars we will apply for one car now and another car in June to save on the amount of money we would have to borrow if purchased at the same time. Mayor Lewis has been talking to James (Public works) & Mike (Police Chief) about getting a UTV to be used by both the public works dept. and the police dept. We can add it to the grant for the police car and only cost the town 25% of the price. Mayor Lewis had spoken with some of the commissioners about the UTV and they were in favor of it. After discussion, Commissioner Meacombs made a motion to buy an UTV for town use & police use and Commissioner Lewis seconded and it was unanimous.

In new business, the budget workshop was discussed. Mayor Lewis said that we would start talking about the budget for next year and everyone will need to think about what they need for each department in the upcoming budget year. The Mayor & the town clerk would have some preliminary numbers by next meeting.

There was one public comment at this time.

Commissioner Lewis moved to adjourn. Commissioner Alford seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Gloria Vinson, Town Clerk/Finance Officer

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

