

Middlesex Governing Body Meeting Minutes
June 13, 2022

Mayor Lewis called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and gave the invocation. Members present were Commissioners Danny Alford, J.W. McClenny, Cherry Davis and Harold Meacombs. Commissioner Ann Lewis was absent. Police Chief Mike Collins and Public Works Supervisor James Liles were present. There were no guests at this meeting.

Mayor Lewis called a public hearing for the FY-2022-2023 budget to order then talked about the budget. With no public comments Mayor Lewis declared the public hearing closed.

Then he called the public hearing for annexation on the 45 acre tract owned by Graham Wood. There were also no public comments pertaining to the annexation of Graham Wood Property for this public hearing. The hearing was closed.

The May meeting minutes were approved unanimously as presented in a motion by Commissioner Meacombs and seconded by Commissioner McClenny.

The meeting agenda was unanimously approved as presented in a motion by Commissioner Alford and seconded by Commissioner Davis.

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

Mike Collins, the police chief commented that he is continuing to receive National Night Out monies and that he is happy to report to the board that he received an additional \$5000 from Nash County Tourism Development Authority to be used for the National Night Out Event.

Public works supervisor, James Liles told the board that he needs a backhoe because the one we have is in need of many repairs and that it has no brakes and also needs a truck to replace the truck that Cody Wilson drives because it is wore out. Mayor Lewis said that we would need to keep the crane off Cody's truck and that we had been looking for a used truck but may just get a new truck on the USDA Grant program.

Mayor Lewis informed the board that the Golden Leaf Foundation has approved the funding for the Middlesex Corporate Centre in the amount of

\$500,000. Mayor Lewis reported that he had written 4 new house permits & in town outside town limits being issued for the month of May and 3 miscellaneous permits.

In old business, Commissioner Meacombs made a motion to approve the new town ordinance to extend the town limits by 45 acres with the annexation for the Graham Wood Property. Commissioner Davis seconded and the vote was unanimously.

In new business, Commissioner Meacombs made the motion to approve the resolution from the state that converts \$829,589 to be used for sewer rehab from 100% loan to 100% grant through ARP funding. Commissioner Alford seconded and the vote was unanimous. Commissioner Alford made the motion to change the board meeting time to stay with the second Monday of each month but at 10:00am instead of 7:30pm Commissioner Meacombs seconded and the motion was carried. Mayor Lewis discussed that the budget was balanced right now but some other items may be added to the budget at this time so we will recess this meeting and reconvene on June 27, 2022 at 10:00am.

There were no public comments at this time.

Commissioner Meacombs moved to go into Closed Session as allowed by G.S.143-318.11(a) (6) to discuss police personnel. Commissioner Alford seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Back in open session, Commissioner Meacombs made the motion to hire part-time police officer Dakota Toms to full-time police officer with a starting salary of \$35,000 yearly and a start date of July 1, 2022 The motion was seconded by Commissioner Alford and approved. Commissioner McClenny seconded the vote and it was unanimous.

Commissioner Meacombs moved to recess the meeting until June 27, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. Commissioner McClenny seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Gloria Vinson, Town Clerk/Finance Officer

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

