Meeting Minutes April 11, 2014

Mayor Lewis called the Special Meeting to order at 2:00pm and gave the invocation. Members present were Commissioners Harold Meacombs, Danny Alford, Cherrye Davis, Ann Lewis, and J.W. McClenny. Guests included representatives from the *Nashville Graphic*, the *Spring Hope Enterprise*, and Chauncey Nelson and Christi Davis of Nelson and Davis, DDS, PLLC and Christi's mother. Another guest arrived at approximately 2:30 p.m., just after the Board had moved to go into closed session.

Before business discussions began, Mayor Lewis introduced Chauncey Nelson and Christi Davis to the Commissioners. Doctors Nelson and Davis have agreed to accept assignment of the lease agreement Middlesex Family Dental (Dr. Crystal Finnegan) and were requesting the Board's approval. Mayor Lewis pointed out that Dr. Finnegan's lease with the town was for five years and June 2014 would be two years. Dr. Finnegan has found another dentist, Nelson and Davis, DDS, PLLC who has agreed to assume the terms of her lease with the town. May and June would be rent free according to the terms of the assignment of the lease. Nelson and Davis agreed to other stipulations as written in the original lease agreement. If the Board agrees with the assignment of the lease, they indicated that hopefully they will be ready to go May 1. Commissioner McClenny moved to move forward with the assignment of the lease agreement with Middlesex Family Dental, Dr. Crystal Finnegan to Nelson and Davis, DDS, PLLC as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Alford and carried unanimously.

Per the grant contract with PARTF covering the grant for Phase 1 of the Bailey Middlesex Park, 10% of the total project amount will be withheld until completion, or \$50,000. That will be \$25,000 for Bailey's portion and \$25,000 for the Middlesex portion. This is a loan to the project, as the towns will be reimbursed once Bailey pays the remainder of the invoices, and receives copies of the cancelled checks, which must be submitted with the reimbursement request to PARTF. Repayment should be in June-before fiscal year end. Commissioner Meacombs moved to make the \$25,000 advance to the Bailey Middlesex Park Project. Commissioner Lewis seconded and the vote passed unanimously.

The following 2013-2014 Budget Amendment was presented to the Board for approval. Commissioner McClenny's motion to approve the amendment passed unanimously after a second by Commissioner Lewis.

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES: INCREASE Community Building:		
10-502-7400	Capital Outlay	2,000.00
GENERAL FUND REVENUES:		
10-310-0100	Prior Year Taxes	2,000,00

Mayor Lewis pointed out that there will be enough money remaining to pay for replacing the rear door of the community building and it will open to the outside. Commissioner Lewis and McClenny added they had received several positive comments about the community building parking lot project.

Mayor Lewis reported the town is applying for a High Unit Cost Grant for \$65,000 and we have also agreed to apply for CDBG grant funds for the needed sewer lift station work. The next step is to schedule a public hearing on Monday, April 28. Mike Meyer (Envirolink) and Dennis Patton (COG) have been working, along with Russell Underwood on the CDBG grant application. There are several items to be approved and are required by the grant application, which has a May 1 deadline. A total of \$15 million is in this round, and another round will be in September 2014. Mayor Lewis answered questions about the probability of being funded by saying that we have done the best possible job of applying. We have stated our critical needs and if we don't get funded this time we can try again in September. Commissioner Meacombs moved to hold a second Public Hearing for the CDBG Grant Application for the sewer lift stations project on Monday, April 28th at 9 a.m. at the town hall. Commissioner Alford seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Meacombs moved to go into Closed Session to discuss a personnel matter. His motion was seconded by Commissioner McClenny and passed unanimously.

Back in Open Session and with no further business, Commissioner Alford moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Davis and the vote was unanimous.

Jennifer Lambert, Clerk

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