

Middlesex Governing Body Meeting Minutes
April 09, 2018

Mayor Lewis called the meeting to order at 7:30pm and gave the invocation. Members present were Commissioners J.W. McClenny, Danny Alford, Ann Lewis, Cherrye Davis, and Commissioner Harold Meacombs was not present. Police Chief Mike Collins was present. Public Works Supervisor James Liles was present. The **Spring Hope Enterprise** was present. There were 2 other guests.

The March meeting minutes were approved as presented in a motion by Commissioner Davis and seconded by Commissioner McClenny and the motion was carried unanimously.

The meeting agenda was changed to add an update for The Golden Leaf Grant and trying to apply for a new grant. The Agenda was approved unanimously in a motion by Commissioner Alford and seconded by Commissioner Lewis and the vote was unanimous.

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

Mayor Lewis reported that he has issued 2 more building permits. Cedar run was discussed, we continue to have a sewer drain problem with grease and objects getting into the drain and getting it clogged up. Mayor Lewis suggested that we will write a letter and carry a bucket of grease and we will go door to door with just those people at Cedar Run to show them how it effects the sewer. The more houses that go up out there the more the problem keeps going on out there. The town continues to grow. Mayor Lewis reported that they are having a ground breaking for the new Nash County Senior Center at Bailey Middlesex park on Monday April 16, 2018 at 10:00am. The shell building is not there yet but the pad is ready to set the building.

In old business, the Commissioners Ethics Class will be scheduled in June with a date to be determined. The carpet was installed by Golden Carpet for the town hall and the 2 bathrooms with linoleum at a price of \$3595.00. The USDA Grant was approved for the purchase of 2 new police cars at the meeting on March 26, 2018. We are still working on getting the acceptance of credit card processing at a terminal in the town hall lobby. It will be up and running very soon for the citizens to pay their water bill. We also have been accepted to receive The Golden Leaf Grant for 1.25 million dollars to be used for the corporate park for water sewer & road.

Mayor Lewis stated that it will be another plus for the town. We were one in eleven selected which will be very beneficial for the town.

In new business, it was proposed that painting will be done for the front of the building at town hall for 2200.00. Commissioner Lewis made a motion. Commissioner Alford seconded and it was carried unanimously. We will also be getting a price for some painting to be done at the police station. Johnny Hinton will be doing the painting he is always here to do a good job at a good price so we will be using him again. The roof will need replacing soon. Commissioner Ann Lewis mentioned about getting some other repairs to be done at the parks also. Pool season is now upon us approaching soon. The service at the pool will need replacing. The service that is there is the service that was at the beginning, Wayne Bryant is working on getting some prices on getting a new panel for the meter with underground service. We will not have to paint the pool this year it was painted last year. The bath houses were painted last year. The sewer line might have to be looked at before the pool opens so we will also be fixing that before it opens. Commissioner Ann Lewis asked what do you think it will take to fix the pool at this time. Mayor Lewis stated it would be less than 5000.00 to 10,000 dollars. The Children's home wants to come an extra day this year. So we will prorate the cost for over a yearly period. The days will be Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday for eleven weeks.

Another grant will be available to apply for a new water tower. A pre-grant application is due Friday April 13, 2018. Commissioner Lewis made the motion to go ahead and apply for this grant at this time. Commissioner McClenny seconded it and the motion was carried unanimously.

Mayor Lewis opened the floor for public comment. There was 2 public comments at this time.

Mayor Lewis opened the floor for the preliminary Budget Workshop topics to be discussed. We have changed from Centurylink to Spectrum and are saving about \$3600.00 a year. We went from 40 speed to 100 speed on our internet. On our logics software programs we have got the price down from 12,271.54 to \$8,784.33. We have added the payroll, credit card program. That's about 8000.00 savings going into the new budget. We have not had any responses on the dental office building. We have lowered the rental price agreement. We had a couple of serious inquires but nothing recent about renting. We discussed a selling price of about \$250,000.00. It is being marketed for just about anything. We are building about a house a month. Mayor Lewis suggested replacing the playground equipment at Hanes Park and he is working on getting some estimates at this time. Commissioner Ann Lewis asked about repairing the asphalt on the basketball courts. Wellness park also needs some painting done at this time. Utility supervisor James Liles would like to choose

a different color to be decided. There is also some repairs and spraying for ants to be done. We will probably get a new service truck and another police car.

Another Scheduled Budget Workshop was set for May 14, 2018 after the regular meeting. Commissioner Davis made the motion to accept. Commissioner Lewis seconded and it was carried unanimously.

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
Harold Meacombs
Danny Alford
Cherrye Davis
J.W. McClenny