

Middlesex Governing Body Meeting Minutes
August 13, 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 Harold Meacombs. Police Chief Mike Collins was present. Public Works Supervisor James Liles was also present. The **Spring Hope Enterprise** was present along with a representative from **The Enterprise**. There were 2 other guests.

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

The meeting agenda was amended to add Crime victim's services and to move public comment section and then it was unanimously approved in a motion by Commissioner Meacombs and seconded by Commissioner McClenny and the vote was unanimous.

Gloria Vinson, The Town Clerk, commented that the On-line Bill Pay was going really well at this point and then she reviewed the July financials, which were unanimously approved as presented in a motion by Commissioner Davis and seconded by Commissioner McClenny. The vote was unanimous.

Commissioner Alford commented that we always hear little picky things we are doing wrong and nothing we are doing right and it is dishearten to hear. We need to thank the police chief, Mayor Lewis, and the ladies in the office for participating in the receiving of these grants and that it is not coming out of the tax payers pockets.

In old business, purchase orders are in place to receive 3 additional police cars and a public works utility truck with the USDA grant that has been approved. The position for the Public Utility Worker to hire at \$12.00 an hour also has had no respondents as of tonight.

In new business, Mayor Lewis commented that Police Chief Mike Collins was recognized by the State SRO Association Board and there was an article in The Wilson Times.

Also in new business, the Crime Victims Services was discussed by the commissioners to accept a motion to hire a juvenile detective with an estimated start date for October 1, 2018 pertaining to the grant we are going to receive. Commissioner McClenny made a motion to accept and it was seconded by Commissioner Alford. The vote was unanimous.

Mayor Lewis opened the floor for public comment. There was no public comment at this time.

The motion to go into closed session to discuss police personnel was made by Commissioner Lewis and seconded by Commissioner Davis. The motion was carried.

Back in open session, Commissioner Meacombs made the motion to hire the reserve police officers Steven Jordan & Cathy Callahan at \$14.00 an hour.

With no further business, Commissioner Alford 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