

SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL-GEORGETOWN, DELAWARE, FEBRUARY 8, 2000

Call to
Order

The regular meeting of the Sussex County Council was held Tuesday, February 8, 2000, at 10:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers, Sussex County Administrative Office Building, Georgetown, Delaware, with the following present:

Lynn J. Rogers	President
George B. Cole	Member
Finley B. Jones, Jr.	Member
Vance C. Phillips	Member
Robert L. Stickels	County Administrator
David B. Baker	Finance Director
Eugene H. Bayard	County Attorney

The meeting was opened by repeating the Lord's Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

M 069 00
Approve
Agenda

A Motion was made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Cole, to approve the Agenda as presented.

Motion Adopted: 4 Yea, 1 Absent.

Vote by Roll Call: Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea;
Mr. Jones, Yea; Mr. Dukes, Absent;
Mr. Rogers, Yea

Corre-
spondence

Mr. Bayard read the following correspondence:

CASA SAN FRANCISCO, MILTON, DELAWARE

RE: Thanking Council for the recent donation of canned goods made possible as a result of the County's annual food drive which is held in conjunction with "Carolling on the Circle".

University
of Dela-
ware
Extension
Program
Grant

Mr. Mark Isaacs, Director of the University of Delaware Research and Education Center in Georgetown, was in attendance to accept a grant check from Council in the amount of \$105,394. These funds will be used by the University of Delaware Extension Service for various Extension and research programs and the Lasher Laboratory. Since the FY 1988 Budget, the Research and Education Center has received \$1,014,289 in funding from the County.

M 070 00
Adopt
Proclama-
tion/
March of
Dimes

A Motion was made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Phillips, to Adopt a Proclamation entitled "PROCLAIMING THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2000, AS 'SUSSEX COUNTY MARCH OF DIMES WALKAMERICA KICK-OFF DAY'".

M 070 00
(Con't.)

Motion Adopted: 4 Yea, 1 Absent.

Vote by Roll Call: Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea;
Mr. Jones, Yea; Mr. Dukes, Absent;
Mr. Rogers, Yea

M 071 00
Adopt
Proclama-
tion/
Woodbridge
Varsity
Football
Team

A Motion was made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Cole, to Adopt a Proclamation entitled "HONORING THE 1999 WOODBRIDGE RAIDERS VARSITY FOOTBALL TEAM".

Motion Adopted: 4 Yea, 1 Absent.

Vote by Roll Call: Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea;
Mr. Jones, Yea; Mr. Dukes, Absent;
Mr. Rogers, Yea

Annexa-
tion
Requests/
City of
Seaford

Mr. Stickels advised Council that annexation requests have been received by the City of Seaford from 8 property owners, including Michael Burris, Thi Van Tran, Christian Church, Florence Keith, Smoot Estate, Thomas Cooper, Lynn Baynum, and the Seaford Fire Department. The City is soliciting comments from the County regarding these annexations. It was the consensus of the Council that the County does not have any objections to these requested annexations.

County
Adminis-
trator's
Report

Mr. Stickels read the following information in his County Administrator's Report:

1. Oak Orchard Sanitary Sewer District

A reminder that the County Engineering Department will be conducting a referendum on Saturday, February 12, 2000, at the Indian River Fire Hall, Oak Orchard, for the purpose of determining the development of the Oak Orchard Sanitary Sewer District. Polling hours will be from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

2. Presidents' Day

Sussex County offices will be closed Monday, February 21, 2000, in observance of Presidents' Day. Offices will reopen on Tuesday, February 22, 2000, at 8:30 a.m. There will be a Council meeting at 10:00 a.m. in the County Chambers on the twenty-second.

Ashley
Manor
Extension
Request/
FISSD

Mr. Archut, Assistant County Engineer, appeared before Council regarding a request for an extension of the Fenwick Island Sanitary Sewer District to include the property that will be known as Ashley Manor, and possible adjacent properties. If approval is given to the Engineering Department to prepare and post notices for this sewer extension request, Mr. Archut informed Council that a Public Hearing would be held in approximately 5 weeks.

M 072 00
Authorize
Prepara-
tion and
Posting of
Notices/
Ashley
Manor
Extension
Request

A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded Mr. Jones, that the Sussex County Engineering Department is authorized to prepare and post notices for the extension of the Fenwick Island Sanitary Sewer District boundary to include Ashley Manor and adjacent properties, as presented on February 8, 2000.

Motion Adopted: 4 Yea, 1 Absent.

Vote by Roll Call: Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea;
Mr. Jones, Yea; Mr. Dukes, Absent;
Mr. Rogers, Yea

The
Orchard
Townhouses

Mr. Green, Director of Utility Construction, discussed with Council a proposed construction administration and construction inspection agreement for wastewater facilities to be constructed in "The Orchard Townhouses", located in the West Rehoboth Sanitary Sewer District. Mr. Green also provided Council with a Fact Sheet regarding the proposed Agreement.

M 073 00
Execute
Agreement/
The
Orchard
Townhouses
/WRSSD

A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Jones, based upon the recommendation of the Sussex County Engineering Department, for Sussex County Project No. 81-04, that the Sussex County Council execute a construction administration and construction inspection agreement between Sussex County Council and "Jack Stanton" for wastewater facilities to be constructed in "The Orchard Townhouses", located in the West Rehoboth Sanitary Sewer District.

Motion Adopted: 4 Yea, 1 Absent.

Vote by Roll Call: Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea;
Mr. Jones, Yea; Mr. Dukes, Absent;
Mr. Rogers, Yea

Bid
Results/
Sussex
County
Project
No. 99-21/
Phase One
South
Bethany
Sewer
Line
Renova-
tion

Mr. Hawkes, Director of Utility Engineering, reported the following bid results for Sussex County Project 99-21, Phase One South Bethany Sewer Line Renovation, as follows:

Bidder	Schedule A	Schedule B	Schedule C	Schedule D
TRB Speciality Reha- bilitation Gambrills, MD	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	\$65,991
A.P. Croll & Son Georgetown, DE	\$ 74,412.45	\$34,541.00	\$100,270.70	No Bid
Teal Construction Dover, DE	\$146,063.55	\$58,954.75	\$204,871.55	No Bid

Mr. Hawkes explained that the project had been bid to allow the cost comparison using two types of technologies, which included the traditional open cut method of construction and a relatively new method using a pipe liner. Since the needed repairs are immediately adjacent to Route 1, one goal of the Engineering Department would be to make the necessary repairs using a method that would require the least amount of road excavation and restoration. With the process involved with the new technology, heat is applied to the liner making it very pliable. The contractor would then pull the liner through the existing pipe and steam heat it into place. Once the liner has been allowed to cool, it has the same properties as PVC, with no loss of capacity. Mr. Hawkes mentioned that this technology is used quite routinely in the Virginia, Baltimore and Washington areas where the cost of road restoration is very expensive. It was noted that Schedules A and B reflect the line renovation costs for Ocean Pines Lane and Jefferson Bridge Road, respectively, under separate contracts using the traditional open cut method. Schedule C reflects the cost of repairing both roads under one contract, also using the open cut method. Schedule D reflects the cost of the project using the new pipe liner technology. The Engineer's Estimate for this project was \$68,873.00, which was based on the open cut method. Mr. Hawkes stated that the new technology traditionally has a cost-savings of 10 to 30 percent depending on the amount of road restoration that would have been needed. The anticipated start date for this project is March 1, with a completion time expected within 30 days.

M 074 00
Award
Bid/
Sussex
County
Project
No. 99-21/
Phase One
South
Bethany
Sewer Line
Renovation

A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Jones, based upon the recommendation of the Sussex County Engineering Department, that Sussex County Project No. 99-21 entitled "Phase One South Bethany Sewer Line Renovation", Bid Schedule D, be awarded to TRB Specialty Rehabilitation at the bid amount of \$65,991.00.

Motion Adopted: 4 Yea, 1 Absent.

Vote by Roll Call: Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea;
Mr. Jones, Yea; Mr. Dukes, Absent;
Mr. Rogers, Yea

Proposed
Ordinance

Mr. Cole introduced a Proposed Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE TO GRANT A CONDITIONAL USE OF LAND IN AN AR-1 AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT FOR USED CAR SALES TO BE LOCATED ON A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN BALTIMORE HUNDRED, SUSSEX COUNTY, CONTAINING 1.34 ACRES, MORE OR LESS" (C/U No. 1329) filed on behalf of John and Mary Frey. The Proposed Ordinance will be advertised for a Public Hearing.

Proposed
Ordinance

Mr. Phillips introduced a Proposed Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE TO GRANT A CONDITIONAL USE OF LAND IN AN AR-1 AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT FOR A SOFTBALL PARK, DORMATORIES, AND ACCESSORY BUILDINGS TO BE LOCATED ON A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN INDIAN RIVER HUNDRED, SUSSEX COUNTY, CONTAINING 44.00 ACRES, MORE OR LESS" (C/U No. 1330) filed on behalf of Wallace P. Townsend, Jr. The Proposed Ordinance will be advertised for a Public Hearing.

Proposed
Ordinance

Mr. Cole introduced a Proposed Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING MAP OF SUSSEX COUNTY FROM AN AR-1 AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO A C-1 GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT FOR A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN BALTIMORE HUNDRED, SUSSEX COUNTY, CONTAINING 1.50 ACRES, MORE OR LESS" (C/Z No. 1399) filed on behalf of James R. and Judy R. Powell. The Proposed Ordinance will be advertised for a Public Hearing.

M 075 00
Council-
manic
Grant

A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Phillips to give \$500 from Mr Coles' Councilmanic Account to the Town

M 075 00
(Con't.)
Council-
manic
Grant/
Town of
Selby-
ville

of Selbyville for expenses associated with making repairs to the town's pool.

Motion Adopted: 4 Yea, 1 Absent.

Vote by Roll Call: Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea;
Mr. Jones, Yea; Mr. Dukes, Absent;
Mr. Jones, Yea

Comments/
Council-
man Cole/
Regional
Planning
Meeting
Region
No. 4

Mr. Cole mentioned that the Regional Planning meeting for Rehoboth, Lewes, Dewey and Henlopen Acres had been held last night, February 7, at the Rehoboth City Hall. The purpose of the meeting was to review land use activities that are happening in Sussex County's Region No. 4. Mr. Cole stated that positive comments were received regarding his proposed amendment to the RPC Ordinance, which modifies the method for calculating the number of permitted dwelling units. Mr. Cole also mentioned that correspondence had been received from Joe Schafer, representing the SCAT Steering Committee, giving their initial support of his proposed amendment.

President,
Del. League
of Local
Governments

Mr. Stickels recognized Peggy Baunchalk who was recently elected President of the Delaware League of Local Governments.

M 076 00
Adjourn

At 10:39 a.m., a Motion was made by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Jones, to adjourn. Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Cordrey

Nancy J. Cordrey

Assistant Clerk of the County Council