

SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL-GEORGETOWN, DELAWARE, SEPT. 24, 2002

Call to  
Order

The regular meeting of the Sussex County Council was held on Tuesday, September 24, 2002, at 10:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers, Sussex County Administrative Office Building, Georgetown, Delaware, with the following present:

Finley B. Jones, Jr.	President
Lynn J. Rogers	Vice President
Dale R. Dukes	Member
George B. Cole	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 576 02  
Amend &  
Approve  
Agenda

A Motion was made by Mr. Dukes, seconded by Mr. Rogers, to amend the agenda by deleting "Approval of Minutes" and "Introduction of Proposed Zoning Ordinances", and to approve the agenda, as amended.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

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

Corre-  
spondence

Mr. Bayard read the following correspondence:

1. PATRICIA OLIPHANT, DIRECTOR, SUSSEX ACADEMY OF ARTS & SCIENCES, GEORGETOWN, DELAWARE  
RE: Thanking the County for holding the September 11<sup>th</sup> commemorative ceremony and expressing appreciation for the opportunity given to them to take part in the ceremony.

Adminis-  
trator's  
Report

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

1. 2002 Land Use Plan Update Hearing

The Sussex County Council will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, October 1, 2002 at the CHEER Center located at East Market Street and Sand Hill Road. The meeting will take place at 6:00 p.m. and the general public is invited to provide comments regarding the County's proposed Land Use Plan Update.

Copies of the plan are available at a cost of \$10.00, and the plan is also available on the Internet at the County's website of [www.sussexcounty.net](http://www.sussexcounty.net).

Old  
Business  
(C/U No.  
1457)  
State of  
Delaware,  
Dept. of  
Motor  
Vehicles

Council discussed Conditional Use No. 1457 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE TO GRANT A CONDITIONAL USE OF LAND IN AN AR-1 AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT FOR PUBLIC GOVERNMENTAL BUILDING AND USE (REPLACEMENT OF DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES BUILDING) TO BE LOCATED ON A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN GEORGETOWN HUNDRED, SUSSEX COUNTY, CONTAINING 31.53 ACRES, MORE OR LESS (Conditional Use No. 1457) filed on behalf of State of Delaware, Department of Motor Vehicles.

The Planning and Zoning Commission held a Public Hearing on this application on June 27, 2002, at which time it was their recommendation that the application be forwarded to the Sussex County Council with the recommendation that the application be approved with the stipulation that the site plan be subject to review and approval by the Planning and Zoning Commission.

The Sussex County Council held a Public Hearing on July 16, 2002, at which time the Public Hearing was closed and action deferred for a period of two weeks to allow for the exchange of correspondence between Sussex County and the Department of Motor Vehicles to see if there would be any interest by the State in investigating the feasibility of locating a facility on the east side of Sussex County to serve that area. The record of the Planning & Zoning Commission was incorporated into the record of the Council's Public Hearing.

Mr. Stickels distributed copies of a letter dated September 4, 2002 from Michael Shahan, Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV). Mr. Shahan's letter was in response to an August 2, 2002 letter from Mr. Stickels on behalf of the Council. Mr. Stickels reviewed highlights of the letter. The construction of a DMV facility, located on the eastern side of the County, was a stated need expressed by the County in September 1998 during DelDOT's public hearings for capital improvement recommendations. Mr. Shahan's letter stated the Division's agreement with many of Council's concerns, namely the need for a DMV facility on the eastern side of the County, as well as for additional staffing and expansion of services, but, they are, nonetheless, hindered by budgetary constraints.

M 577 02  
Adopt  
Ord. No.  
1561  
(C/U No.  
1457)  
State of  
Delaware,  
Dept. of  
Motor  
Vehicle

A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Phillips, to Adopt Ordinance No. 1561 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE TO GRANT A CONDITIONAL USE OF LAND IN AN AR-1 AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT FOR PUBLIC GOVERNMENTAL BUILDING AND USE (REPLACEMENT OF DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES BUILDING) TO BE LOCATED ON A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN GEORGETOWN HUNDRED, SUSSEX COUNTY, CONTAINING 31.53 ACRES, MORE OR LESS" (Conditional Use No. 1457) filed on behalf of the State of Delaware, Department of Motor Vehicles, subject to following condition:

1. The site plan shall be subject to review and approval by the Planning and Zoning Commission.



M 577 02  
(Con't.)

Motion Adopted: 3 Yea; 2 Nay.

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

Findings  
of Fact

The Council found that the conditional use was appropriate legislative action based on the following findings of fact:

1. The applicant established by substantial evidence that the proposed use will better serve the needs and convenience of the residents of Sussex County without adverse impact of any sort.
2. The proposed use is consistent with the purposes and goals of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan.
3. The findings of fact and recommendations of the Planning & Zoning Commission are incorporated herein.

Old  
Business  
(C/U No.  
1460)  
D. Angley  
Rummel

Council discussed Conditional Use No. 1460 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE TO GRANT A CONDITIONAL USE OF LAND IN AN AR-2 AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT FOR PLACEMENT OF A MANUFACTURED HOME TO BE LOCATED ON A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN INDIAN RIVER HUNDRED, SUSSEX COUNTY, CONTAINING 15,038 SQUARE FEET, MORE OR LESS" (Conditional Use No. 1460) filed on behalf of D. Angley Rummel.

The Planning and Zoning Commission held a Public Hearing on this application on July 25, 2002, at which time action was deferred. On August 22, 2002, the Commission discussed this application under Old Business and it was their unanimous recommendation that the application be forwarded to the Sussex County Council with the recommendation that it be denied based on the record made at the public hearing and on the comments made by Planning & Zoning Commission member Layton Johnson.

The Sussex County Council held a Public Hearing on August 13, 2002, at which time the Public Hearing was closed and action deferred. The record of the Planning & Zoning Commission was incorporated into the record of the Council's Public Hearing.

M 578 02  
Adopt  
Proposed  
Ordinance  
(C/U #1460)  
D. Angley  
Rummel  
**DENIED**

A Motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Dukes, to adopt a Proposed Ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE TO GRANT A CONDITIONAL USE OF LAND IN AN AR-2 AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT FOR PLACEMENT OF A MANUFACTURED HOME TO BE LOCATED ON A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN INDIAN RIVER HUNDRED, SUSSEX COUNTY, CONTAINING 15,038 SQUARE FEET, MORE OR LESS" (Conditional Use No. 1460) filed on behalf of D. Angley Rummel.

M 578 02  
(Con't.)

Motion Denied: 4 Nay; 1 Yea.

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

Findings  
of Fact

The Council found that the conditional use was not appropriate legislative action based on the record of the Planning & Zoning Commission and noncompliance with the Zoning Ordinance.

Bethany  
Lakes  
Regional  
Pump  
Station  
Agreement

Mr. Izzo, County Engineer, appeared before Council regarding the Bethany Lakes Regional Pump Station and Force Main. Mr. Izzo mentioned that this project will construct the regional pump station for the Cedar Neck Sanitary Sewer District, as well as the force main that will be run under the Assawoman Canal and connect into the existing Ocean View system. Inspection will be performed by Whitman, Requardt and Associates.

M 579 02  
Execute  
Agreements/  
Bethany  
Lakes  
Regional  
Pump  
Station

A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Rogers, that based upon the recommendation of the Sussex County Engineering Department for Sussex County Project No. 81-04, Agreement No. 278, that the Sussex County Council execute a construction administration and construction inspection agreement between Sussex County Council and "Hockessin Chase, L.P.", for wastewater facilities to be constructed in "Bethany Lakes Regional Pump Station", located in the Cedar Neck Expansion of the Bethany Beach Sanitary Sewer District.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

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

Pinetown  
Sewer  
Design  
Contract

Mr. Izzo, County Engineer, appeared before Council regarding approval of a contract with George, Miles and Buhr to perform design services for the installation of sewer in the Pinetown area located in the West Rehoboth Expansion of the Dewey Beach Sanitary Sewer District.

M 580 02  
Execute  
Contract/  
Pinetown  
Sewer

A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Phillips, that based upon the recommendation of the Engineering Department that the County Council authorizes its President to execute a contract with George, Miles and Buhr to perform consulting services for Pinetown Sewer in the West Rehoboth Expansion of the Dewey Beach Sanitary Sewer District.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

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



Beneficial  
Acceptance  
Wedgefield

Mr. I. Thomas Baker, Project Coordinator, presented Council with a Fact Sheet regarding the beneficial acceptance for the project known as "Wedgefield - Phase II" located in the Ocean View Expansion of the Bethany Beach Sanitary Sewer District.

M 581 02  
Grant  
Beneficial  
Acceptance  
Wedgefield -  
Phase II

A Motion was made by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Cole, that based upon the recommendation of the Sussex County Engineering Department for Sussex County Project No. 81-04, Agreement No. 274, that the Sussex County Council grant "Beneficial Acceptance" for the wastewater facilities constructed in "Wedgefield - Phase II", located in the Ocean View Sanitary Sewer District.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

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

Airport  
Terminal  
Building

Mr. Derek Sapp, Project Engineer, presented Council with information regarding a balancing change order, as well as substantial completion, for The Whayland Company, a contractor involved with the Airport Terminal Building Project.

M 582 02  
Approve  
Balancing  
Change  
Order/  
Airport  
Terminal  
Building

A Motion was made by Mr. Dukes, seconded by Mr. Phillips, that based upon the recommendation of the Sussex County Engineering Department that the Sussex County Council approves the balancing change order for Project No. 98-04, Sussex County Airport Terminal Building Construction for \$162.26 to increase the contract amount from \$1,095,929.05 to \$1,096,091.31; and to increase the contract time by 136 calendar days.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

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

M 583 02  
Grant  
Substantial  
Completion/  
Airport  
Terminal  
Building/  
Whayland  
Company

A Motion was made by Mr. Dukes, seconded by Mr. Rogers, that based upon the recommendation of the Sussex County Engineering Department that the Sussex County Council grants substantial completion to the Whayland Company for Sussex County Project No. 98-04, Sussex County Airport Terminal Building, and all held retainage shall be released, pending punch-list item performance approval from Sussex County Engineering Department.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

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



Airport  
Terminal  
Building/  
Supple-  
mental  
Agreement/  
French +  
Ryan

Mr. Sapp, Project Engineer, presented Council with a cost summary for French + Ryan, the architects for the Sussex County Airport Terminal Building. In particular, Mr. Sapp made note of a May 9, 2002 letter from Alvin French, Vice President of French + Ryan, and also a copy of "Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement", Amendments No. 2 and No. 3. Amendment 2 reflects the kitchen changes requested by the Owner (\$4,615) and by Jimmy's Grill (\$16,615). Amendment No. 3 reflects the additional Construction Administration hours spent by French + Ryan (not to exceed \$15,000).

Council expressed concern regarding the additional architect fees and discussed the legal/arbitration options available to the County. Mr. Stickels mentioned that the County made several attempts to negotiate with French + Ryan for the additional costs incurred for construction administration, however, these attempts were unsuccessful. Mr. Bayard advised Council that attempts at arbitration, in his opinion, would "not" be economically wise.

M 584 02  
Execute  
Supple-  
mental  
Agreement/  
French +  
Ryan/  
Airport  
Terminal  
Building

A Motion was made by Mr. Dukes, seconded by Mr. Rogers, that based upon the recommendation of the Sussex County Engineering Department that the Sussex County Council approves the amendments, Numbers 2 and 3, of the professional services agreement with French + Ryan for Sussex County Project No. 98-04, Sussex County Airport Terminal Building, for a not to exceed fee of \$36,230.00.

Motion Adopted: 4 Yea; 1 Not Voting.

Vote by Roll Call: Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Cole, Not Voting;  
Mr. Dukes, Yea; Mr. Rogers, Yea;  
Mr. Jones, Yea

Delaware  
Agricultural  
Lands  
Preservation  
Program

Mr. Stickels introduced Ms. Wendy Baker, President/CEO of the Sussex County Land Trust. Ms. Baker informed Council that during a regular meeting of the Sussex County Land Trust on August 27, 2002, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to seek County Council's approval to participate in the Delaware Agricultural Lands Preservation Program up to \$500,000, of the \$1,000,000 of County funds pledged (by Ordinance No. 1537), predicated by matching private funds. Ms. Baker explained that while the board is aware that farmland preservation is not their only role, they think this program is an excellent way to leverage money for open space preservation. The Board of Trustees also likes the system in place by the Agricultural Foundation of landowner-discounting below the appraised value, thus being able to preserve more open space.

Ms. Baker introduced Michael Parkowski, of Parkowski & Guerke, legal counsel for the Delaware Agricultural Lands Preservation Foundation. Mr. Parkowski was in attendance to explain the program and answer questions. Council was presented with a handout written by Mr. Parkowski, detailing the "Agricultural Lands Preservation Easement Purchases, Foundation-County Match Program". The enabling legislation for Delaware's Ag Land Preservation Program came into existence in 1991, but wasn't funded until 1995. For those landowners/farmers who



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Lands  
Preservation  
Program  
(Con't.)

want to enroll their property into the program, an application is submitted and then reviewed under the "LESA" (Land Evaluation Site Assessment) scoring system, which is a nationally recognized system for determining the value of agricultural lands. To date, approximately 135,000 acres in Delaware have been enrolled in the program, out of a statewide farmland total of nearly 500,000 acres. Once the property has been in the program for 10 years, that property then becomes eligible to sell their development rights/Preservation Easement. Since 1995, \$67.6 million has been expended for purchase of Preservation Easements for over 65,000 acres, which is less than \$1,100/acre. Currently, there are 169 landowners, throughout the State, who have applied to sell their development rights, of which 79 are located in Sussex County. The method to select the properties, the LESA system, ensures the participants that decisions are not politically motivated and maintains the integrity of the process. The program is currently in its 8<sup>th</sup> round of purchases, with the previous 7 rounds providing an average discounting in the range of 42 percent. Out of the \$67.6 million that has been used to purchase development rights, \$65 million has been provided by the State of Delaware. This year, for the first time, Delaware's appropriation of \$5,000,000 comes with some additional provisions. One of those provisions is that the counties are entitled to contribute matching monies, up to \$1,000,000 each. This, in turn, would guarantee that the purchase of the Preservation Easements, with those matching monies, would take place in the counties that are participating. Any funds not matched would be utilized by the Foundation for statewide purchase of Preservation Easements. The Foundation would prepare a list of offers received in each county and present the list to each County who chooses to participate in the Matching Program. Under the Bond Bill language, there must be a mutual agreement between the County and the Foundation regarding Preservation Easements purchased in the County with the matching funds. The Foundation proposes that for Foundation-County matched funding, a County may have a Preservation Easement placed on a property in their County which is not among the highest discounted properties; provided, however, those property owners who have provided higher discounts, but were not selected, are notified of the County's decision.

Mr. Phillips commended the Foundation due to the complexity of the issues involved in the program. Mr. Phillips also stated his concern regarding a change in the selection criteria that occurred several years ago, which resulted in certain geographic locations being specifically targeted.

Mr. Cole mentioned that he thought people would like targeting a certain road, Rt. 9 or 404 for example, and protecting those areas. Mr. Cole stated his concern that open space and farmland preservation are not the same, and that the public is not benefited by farmland preservation. Mr. Cole also expressed concern as to the loss of equity to the present landowner, or future generations, in terms of acquiring loans, etc. Mr. Cole stated that farmland could also be preserved thru zoning.

Preston Schell, Vice Chairman of the Sussex County Land Trust, spoke to Council regarding matching private funds and the fact that he felt that private funds could most likely be raised to match the County's participation up to \$500,000. Dennis



(Con't.) Forney, member of the Sussex County Land Trust, expressed his belief that the Program presented to Council was a wonderful opportunity, and expressed his hope that the County would, in deed, vote to participate.

Mr. Parkowski stated that the Foundation would like to know of the County's intent to participate in the Delaware Ag Lands Preservation Program's Foundation-County Match Program by November 1, 2002. Ms. Baker stated that it was the Land Trust's hope that the County would state their intent to participate, or providing matching funds, up to \$500,000.

M 585 02 A Motion was made by Mr. Phillips to designate up to \$500,000 for the County's  
Del. Ag participation in the Delaware Agricultural Lands Preservation Program's  
Lands Foundation-County Match Program, based on the amount of matching money that  
Preservation the private sector contributes.

Mr. Dukes stated that he thought the Council should postpone any decision to allow time for additional review by the Council, and that any motion by the County should include the stipulation that Sussex County would be given more consideration if any of the two other counties do not participate in the program.

Withdraw Mr. Phillips stated that, out of respect for Councilman Dukes, he would withdraw  
Motion his motion.

Mr. Stickels stated that this item will be placed back on the agenda in two weeks, or October 8, 2002. Mr. Stickels requested that the Land Trust Committee hold a full meeting prior to October 8, coming back to Council with some indication as to matching funds possibly available thru the private sector.

M 586 02 A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Rogers, to give \$500 (\$250 each  
Council- from Mr. Rogers' and Mr. Jones' Councilmanic Accounts) to Delaware Nature  
manic Grant/ Society to be used for scholarship funding.  
Delaware

Nature Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.  
Society

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

La Esperanza Mr. Stickels informed Council that the funding request by La Esperanza will be  
considered under Human Service Grant funding.

M 587 02 A Motion was made by Mr. Dukes, seconded by Mr. Jones, to give \$200 from Mr.  
Council- Jones' Councilmanic Account to the Boys and Girls Club of Georgetown to be used  
manic Grant/ for their 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meadow Muffin Madness.  
Boys & Girls

Club of Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.  
Georgetown



- M 587 02  
(Con't.)      Vote by Roll Call: Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea;  
Mr. Dukes, Yea; Mr. Rogers, Yea;  
Mr. Jones, Yea
- M 588 02      A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Jones, to give \$550.00 (\$250  
Council-      from Mr. Cole's Councilmanic Account, and \$100 each from Mr. Jones', Mr.  
manic Grant/      Rogers', and Mr. Dukes' Councilmanic Accounts) to the Alzheimer's Association -  
Alzheimer's      Georgetown Branch to be used for their Memory Walk Fundraiser.  
Assoc. -  
Georgetown      Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.  
Branch  
Vote by Roll Call: Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea;  
Mr. Dukes, Yea; Mr. Rogers, Yea;  
Mr. Jones, Yea
- M 589 02      A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Dukes to give \$100.00 from Mr.  
Council-      Jones' Councilmanic Account to Sussex County Pageant for Courtney Russum's  
manic Grant/      participation in the Third Annual 2002 Sussex County Pageant to benefit the Make-  
2002 S. C.      A-Wish Foundation.  
Pageant/  
Make-A-      Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.  
Wish  
Foundation      Vote by Roll Call: Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea;  
Mr. Dukes, Yea; Mr. Rogers, Yea;  
Mr. Jones, Yea
- M 590 02      A Motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Jones, to give \$250.00 from  
Youth      Mr. Rogers' Youth Activity Account to Boy Scout Troop 1 to be used for a  
Activity/  
Boy Scout      scholarship program.  
Troop One      Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.  
Vote by Roll Call: Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea;  
Mr. Dukes, Yea; Mr. Rogers, Yea;  
Mr. Jones, Yea
- M 591 02      A Motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Cole, to give \$450.00 from  
Youth      Mr. Rogers' Youth Activity Account to Cape Sharks Pop Warner Football and Spirit  
Activity/  
Cape Sharks      Leading to be used for general operating expenses.  
Pop Warner      Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.  
Football &  
Spirit      Vote by Roll Call: Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea;  
Leading      Mr. Dukes, Yea; Mr. Rogers, Yea;  
Mr. Jones, Yea



- M 592 02  
Council-  
manic Grant/  
Broadkiln  
Ladies  
Auxiliary
- A Motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Jones, to give \$500.00 from Mr. Rogers' Councilmanic Grant Account to Broadkiln Ladies Auxiliary to be used for the purchase of a stove.
- Motion Adopted: 4 Yea; 1 Absent.
- Vote by Roll Call: Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Cole, Absent;  
Mr. Dukes, Yea; Mr. Rogers, Yea;  
Mr. Jones, Yea
- M 593 02  
Council-  
manic  
Grant/  
Alzheimer's  
Assoc. -  
Georgetown  
Branch
- A Motion was made by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Jones, to amend M 588 02 to include \$100.00 from Mr. Phillips' Councilmanic Account for the Alzheimer's Association - Georgetown Branch to be used for their Memory Walk Fundraiser.
- Motion Adopted: 4 Yea; 1 Absent
- Vote by Roll Call: Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Cole, Absent;  
Mr. Dukes, Yea; Mr. Rogers, Yea;  
Mr. Jones, Yea
- Additional  
Business
- Mr. Daniel Kramer expressed his concern in using tax dollars to pay farmers to preserve their farmland.
- Falun  
Dafa
- Dr. Lei spoke to Council regarding Falun Dafa and thanked Council for its passage of a Proclamation in 2000 proclaiming the week of December 4-10, 2000 as "Falun Dafa Week". In a pamphlet provided by Dr. Lei, Falun Dafa is "a traditional Chinese self-cultivation practice that improves mental and physical wellness through a series of easy to learn exercises, meditation and development of one's 'Heart/Mind Nature'. The practice is based on the universal principles of Truthfulness-Compassion-Forbearance." Dr. Lei stated that it was his hope that Council would authorize the passage of a second Proclamation honoring October 7-11, 2002 as the Second Delaware Falun Dafa Week. Council was invited to attend ceremonies in celebration of the "Second Delaware Falun Dafa Week" to be held on Wednesday, October 9, 2002, at 2:00 p.m., in the Wilmington City Council Chambers.
- M 594 02  
Adjourn
- A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Dukes, to adjourn at 12:20 p.m.  
Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Nancy J. Cordrey  
Assistant Clerk of the Council