

SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL - GEORGETOWN, DELAWARE, OCTOBER 5, 1993

Call to Order The regular meeting of the Sussex County Council was held Tuesday, October 5, 1993, at 10:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers, Courthouse, Georgetown, Delaware, with the following members present:

Dale R. Dukes	President
George J. Collins	Vice President
Ralph E. Benson	Member
George B. Cole	Member
William D. Stevenson, Sr.	Member

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

M 418 93 A Motion was made by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Cole, to Approve approve the minutes of the previous meeting dated September 28, Minutes 1993. Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.

Corre- Mr. Bayard, County Attorney, read the following correspondence: spondence

NANCY LEVY, SUSSEX FAMILY YMCA BOARD & STAFF, REHOBOTH.
RE: Appreciation for Council's contribution and invitation to the Century Club Dinner on November 6, 1993.

MARGARET MITCHELL, PRESIDENT, MILLSBORO HISTORICAL SOCIETY, MILLSBORO.
RE: Appreciation for Councilmanic Grant.

AMY GOOTEE-ASH, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, SEAFORD DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION, SEAFORD.
RE: Appreciation for Councilmanic Grant.

KELLI STEELE, NEWS DIRECTOR, WGMD, REHOBOTH BEACH.
RE: Invitation to WGMD Radio's "Open Mike" program on Friday, October 15, 1993.

Long Mr. Stickels, County Administrator, discussed a request and Neck petition to establish a Long Neck Water District. Mr. Water Eshenbach and Mr. Steward, residents of the area, were in District attendance to discuss the request. Mr. Eshenbach advised Request that residents of "Bluff Point Road" have an immediate need for water due to salt water intrusion into their existing wells. Tunnell Companies, L.P. has agreed to allow individual lot owners on "Walker Road and Long Neck Road West of Indian Landing Entrance" to connect into Tunnell Companies, L.P.'s water main, upon certain conditions. Mr. Eshenbach was advised by Council to consider Mr. Tunnell's offer due to the fact that it would take three to four years to install a County

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water system. Mr. Archut, Director of Planning and Permits, will meet with park owners in the Long Neck area to determine the extent of water problems in the area and to determine the level of interest in a County water system.

Change
Order

Mr. Stickels, County Administrator, discussed Change Order No. 11, in the amount of \$11,677.00, for the Courthouse Expansion and Renovation Project.

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A Motion was made by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Benson, that the President of the Sussex County Council is authorized to execute Change Order No. 11, in the amount of \$11,677.00, for the Courthouse Expansion and Renovation Project.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

Vote by Roll Call: Mr. Benson, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea;
Mr. Collins, Yea; Mr. Stevenson, Yea;
Mr. Dukes, Yea

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Report

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

1. Delaware Small Business Development Center Training Seminar

The Delaware Small Business Development Center will conduct a seminar entitled "Loan Programs for Small Businesses". The seminar will take place on Wednesday, October 6, 1993, at Delaware Technical and Community College, Georgetown, Delaware, starting at 6:30 p.m. This seminar will cover what's new in small business financing, who is eligible, how to apply, loan programs, and conventional financing. The Delaware Small Business Development Center receives a grant annually from the Sussex County Council to assist small businesses in our County.

2. Building Code

During the month of September, 52 homes received building permits, and 72 single family addition permits have been issued under the new Building Code. To date, the County has not received any complaints of projects being delayed because of field inspections not being completed on time. The plan review process is taking approximately two days for plans. The Ordinance does allow the County Inspection Department five days for complete review. Contractors are cautioned not to get used to the two-day period. They should be planning for the process to take approximately five days. Cooperation from the building industry, to date, has been excellent.

Cedar Creek Estates Street Lighting District Mr. Archut, Director of Planning and Permits, discussed the status of the proposed Cedar Creek Estates Street Lighting District. Petitions have been prepared and circulated with forty-eight valid petitions returned. Mr. Archut advised that the next step is to prepare estimates of the costs of installation, operation, and maintenance of appropriate lighting facilities and the estimated charge to the property owners of Cedar Creek Estates. Once these estimates have been prepared, a referendum will need to be scheduled.

M 420 93 A Motion was made by Mr. Benson, seconded by Mr. Cole, that Prepare the Sussex County Council hereby directs the County Engineer Estimates to prepare estimates of the costs of installation, operation, and maintenance of appropriate lighting facilities and the Cedar Creek Estates estimated charge to the property owners of Cedar Creek Estates.

Street Lighting District Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

Vote by Roll Call: Mr. Benson, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea;
Mr. Collins, Yea; Mr. Stevenson, Yea;
Mr. Dukes, Yea

M 421 93 A Motion was made by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Stevenson, Councilmanic Grant to give \$300.00 from Mr. Dukes' Councilmanic Account to the City of Seaford, Department of Parks & Recreation, for the Seaford Little League Football Program.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

Vote by Roll Call: Mr. Benson, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea;
Mr. Collins, Yea; Mr. Stevenson, Yea;
Mr. Dukes, Yea

Billboard Moratorium Mr. Dukes discussed a letter addressed to the Sussex County Council, dated September 23, 1993, from Richard L. Lankford of Lankford Signs, regarding the billboard moratorium imposed by the County Council last year. A Proposed Ordinance regarding this issue is currently being drafted and will be submitted to Council for consideration at the next regularly scheduled meeting on October 12, 1993. It was the consensus of Council that the moratorium remain in effect at this time.

RDA/FmHA Loan West Rehoboth Sewer Project Mr. Stickels, County Administrator, announced that the Rural Development Administration (RDA) has approved the County's application for loan funding for the West Rehoboth Sewer Project for a total of \$39,223,000. This is the second largest single loan ever awarded by the RDA and/or Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) in the United States. The terms of the loan are a five percent interest rate for a 40-year term. The County is evalu-

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ating the impact of this financing on the annual cost of the project to the users, as well as on the capitalization fee amount. This financing will result in lesser costs for the West Rehoboth Sewer Project users. Mr. James Waters, Chief of Community and Business Programs for the Rural Development Administration, and Mr. Jack Walls, FmHA State Director, were in attendance for this announcement. Mr. Stickels advised that Mr. Walls and Mr. Waters were instrumental in obtaining this funding for the County.

Recess At 10:54 a.m., Mr. Dukes declared a recess until 11:00 a.m.

Reconvene Mr. Dukes called Council back into session at 11:01 a.m.

Public Hearing LNSSD Extension A Public Hearing was held to consider extending the Long Neck Sanitary Sewer District to include a piece, parcel, or tract of land lying contiguous to the Long Neck Sanitary Sewer District, situate, lying and being in Indian River Hundred, Sussex County, Delaware. The Public Hearing was closed.

Proposed Resolution LNSSD Extension Mr. Bayard, County Attorney, read a Proposed Resolution entitled "A RESOLUTION TO EXTEND THE BOUNDARY OF THE LONG NECK SANITARY SEWER DISTRICT TO ENCOMPASS A CONTIGUOUS AREA NORTHWEST OF THE LONG NECK SANITARY SEWER DISTRICT, WHICH INCLUDES THE PINES OF LONG NECK AND OTHER AREAS ALONG STATE OF DELAWARE ROUTE 23 (A.K.A. COUNTY ROAD 22), SITUATE, LYING, AND BEING IN THE INDIAN RIVER HUNDRED, SUSSEX COUNTY, DELAWARE".

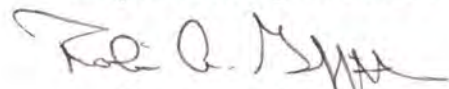
M 422 93 Adopt Resolution No. R 018 93 A Motion was made by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Benson, to Adopt Resolution No. R 018 93 entitled "A RESOLUTION TO EXTEND THE BOUNDARY OF THE LONG NECK SANITARY SEWER DISTRICT TO ENCOMPASS A CONTIGUOUS AREA NORTHWEST OF THE LONG NECK SANITARY SEWER DISTRICT, WHICH INCLUDES THE PINES OF LONG NECK AND OTHER AREAS ALONG STATE OF DELAWARE ROUTE 23 (A.K.A. COUNTY ROAD 22), SITUATE, LYING, AND BEING IN THE INDIAN RIVER HUNDRED, SUSSEX COUNTY, DELAWARE".

Motion Adopted: 4 Yea, 1 Nay.

Vote by Roll Call: Mr. Benson, Yea; Mr. Cole, Nay;
Mr. Collins, Yea; Mr. Stevenson, Yea;
Mr. Dukes, Yea

M 423 93 Adjourn A Motion was made by Mr. Benson, seconded by Mr. Collins, to adjourn at 11:58 a.m. Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Robin A. Griffith
Clerk of the County Council