

SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL - GEORGETOWN, DELAWARE, OCTOBER 6, 1992

Call to Order      The regular meeting of the Sussex County Council was held Tuesday, October 6, 1992, at 10:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers, Courthouse, Georgetown, Delaware, with the following members present:

Dale R. Dukes	President
Ralph E. Benson	Vice President
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.

Absence      Mr. Dukes advised that Mr. Collins' absence was due to his being away on vacation.

M 424 92      A Motion was made by Mr. Stevenson, seconded by Mr. Cole, to Approve      approve the minutes of the previous meeting dated September 29, Minutes      1992. Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.

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

DELAWARE RIVER BASIN COMMISSION, WEST TRENTON, NEW JERSEY  
RE: Public Hearing regarding Administrative Manual - Rules of Practice and Procedure.

U. S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA  
RE: To solicit comments and recommendations from the public concerning issuance of a Department of the Army permit to the Town of Bethany Beach.

U. S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA  
RE: To solicit comments and recommendations from the public concerning issuance of a Department of the Army permit to Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Division of Fish and Wildlife, Mosquito Control Section.

U. S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA  
RE: To solicit comments and recommendations from the public concerning issuance of a Department of the Army permit to John R. Hitchens (Bay City Mobile Home Park, Long Neck).

MARLA DAISEY, SECRETARY, CARING ABOUT PEOPLE, FRANKFORD  
RE: Appreciation for donation to New Pavilion Fund.

GEORGE H. BUNTING, JR., HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, DOVER  
RE: Expressing appreciation to the Council and Mr. Stickels for a job well done during tropical storm Danielle.

Corre- PROPERTY OWNERS ON ROUTE 26 (WAYNE V. AND LINDA M. DUKES,  
spondence WILMER W. AND MARY E. ROGERS, MARK W. AND JANET H. LOVELAND,  
(con't) WILLIAM A. AND DENA B. ENNIS), DAGSBORO  
RE: Request to be added to the Dagsboro-Frankford sewer  
district.

Grant to Barbara VanSciver and Dorothy Sapp of the Sussex County Branch  
American of the American Red Cross were present to discuss the disaster  
Red relief effort caused by Hurricane Andrew. The Delaware Chapter  
Cross has set a goal of \$400,000 as their share of the National  
Disaster Relief Campaign.

M 425 92 A Motion was made by Mr. Benson, seconded by Mr. Stevenson, to  
Grant to give a \$1,000.00 grant to the American Red Cross for the disaster  
American relief effort caused by Hurricane Andrew.  
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Cross Motion Adopted: 4 Yea, 1 Absent.

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

Check Mr. Dukes presented Ms. VanSciver with a check in the amount of  
Present- \$1,000.00 to the American Red Cross for the disaster relief effort  
ation caused by Hurricane Andrew.

Rosen's Kevin Donnelly, Delaware Department of Natural Resources and  
Popula- Environmental Control, Division of Soil and Water Conservation,  
tion was present to discuss a report prepared by Sherman J. Rosen,  
Projec- Ph.D., entitled A Twenty Year-Population Forecast and Selected  
tions Economic Impact Analyses for Sussex County, Delaware. Dr.  
Rosen prepared this report for the Delaware Department of  
Natural Resources and Environmental Control Division of Soil  
and Water as part of the Inland Bays Recovery Initiative. The  
report analyzes the impacts of twenty years growth in population  
on Sussex County. Dr. Rosen's estimates include:

- o An increase in Sussex County's population of 34,345 people or 29.85% from 1991 to 2011. (This forecast is 7,715 or 5.3% greater than the Delaware Population Consortium.)
- o The ratio of Revenues over Expenditures in agricultural communities were \$1.00/0.21 and \$1.00/0.48 verses those calculated in the same jurisdiction's residential areas where ratios were \$1.00/1.36 and \$1.00/1.12.
- o Expenditures for public safety, library, recreation, and schools may be as high as \$12,000,000 in the twenty year planning period.

- Rosen's Population Projections (con't)
- o Between \$20,000,000 to \$37,000,000 in future costs for additional sewage capacity.
  - o An increase in the size of the County Engineering Office will mean an additional expenditure of almost \$1,250,000 in employee wages by 2011.

Memorandum of Agreement between the Division of Water Resources and the Division of Soil and Water Conservation, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control. This agreement provides funding in conjunction with a grant from the United States Environmental Protection Agency which would allow the County to develop environmentally sensitive land use policies and practices. In the Memorandum of Agreement, the County agrees to enter into a contract with Mr. Randall Arendt, Vice President of Natural Lands Trust, to render the technical or professional services needed to develop the land use policies and practices.

M 426 92 A Motion was made by Mr. Cole that the Sussex County Council Authorize Memorandum of Agreement between the Sussex County Council and the Division of Water Resources, Division of Soil and Water Conservation, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, regarding assistance in developing environmentally sensitive land use policies as outlined. The Motion died for the lack of a second.

Old Business Mr. Cole requested that the four pending Proposed Ordinances, pertaining to land use, be placed on the agenda as old business.

National Estuary Program Funding for Land Use Coordinator John Schneider, Program Manager, Division of Water Resources, advised Council of \$47,000.00 in funding available in National Estuary Program funds to support a "Land-Use Coordinator" position in Sussex County. This position would be created for the purpose of improving coordination between Sussex County, State, and federal entities on land-use, water quality protection, and habitat protection issues. No action was taken.

Building Permit Hand-outs Mr. Parker, Assessment Director, was present to review two hand-outs which have been developed concerning building permits. Mr. Parker advised that the purpose of these hand-outs is to eliminate the confusion concerning the requirements for obtaining building permits in Sussex County and to assist the public in expediting the process.

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

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1. Sussex County Council Art Purchase Awards

The recipients of the 12th Annual Sussex County Council Art Purchase Awards are: Robert Strike - oil painting entitled "Tidewater"; Louise M. Crosby - acrylic painting entitled "Cape Henlopen Tower"; and Beatrice Antholz - oil painting entitled "Magnolias".

This year's purchases bring the total to 32 paintings that have been purchased over the last 12 years. It is interesting to note that some of the paintings purchased in the mid-80's for approximately \$225 may now be valued as high as \$1,500.

2. Recyclers of the Month

Mr. Donald VanEtten of Millsboro, Delaware, and Mr. Paul Trout, Jr. of Millsboro, Delaware, were the recipients of the two \$50 U. S. Savings Bonds for participating in the County's Recycling Program during the month of September. During the month of September, 689 individuals participated in the program. This is 78 less than the number who participated during the month of August.

3. Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Division of Water Resources, has issued a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the following projects:

- (a) Cat Hill Water Company, Ltd., to provide public water service to the Bahamas Beach Cottages development;
- (b) Town of Milton, to provide public water service to the area contained within the town limits on record as of May 18, 1992;
- (c) Town of Blades, to provide public water service to the area currently served, as well as to the Woodland Crossing subdivision.

4. Start Action Notices

Included in this report is a copy of a memorandum from Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) Secretary Edwin H. Clark III. The memorandum outlines action that will be taken to develop regulations for extractive use operations and the development of a coastal storm preparedness and recovery plan. As required by House Bill No. 368, dated July 16, 1990, the Department of Natural Resources is required to develop, implement, and enforce a statewide

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program relating to extraction and reclamation of borrow pit operations. DNREC is also being asked to improve the State's ability to mitigate potential coastal storm induced damage and to improve the resource capability for post-storm damage repair. Both of these programs will have an impact on Sussex County, and appropriate staff members have been asked to participate in the formulation of both programs.

5. West Ocean Farms

The referendum held on Saturday, October 3, 1992, for Suburban Community Improvements for West Ocean Farms received successful passage. The landowners of the 37 lot subdivision have agreed to assess themselves 4.43¢ per front foot for road improvements. It is anticipated that the \$165,000 construction cost will begin in early spring of '93.

Annual Paramedic Contract Mr. Stevenson, Paramedic Director, reviewed the specifics of the annual Sussex County/State of Delaware Paramedic Contract for the term July 1, 1992 - June 30, 1993. The contract is basically the same as the last two years' contracts. Mr. Stevenson suggested that the County Attorney work with Kent, New Castle, and State attorneys to prepare a contract for Fiscal Year '94 which more closely meets the needs of the County and the State.

M 427 92 Approve Paramedic Contract A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Benson, to approve the Sussex County/State of Delaware Paramedic Contract for the term July 1, 1992 through June 30, 1993.

Motion Adopted: 4 Yea, 1 Absent.

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

Lease for Paramedic Station 101, Lincoln Mr. Stevenson, Paramedic Director, reviewed with Council a five year lease for Paramedic Station 101, to be located in the Lincoln Community Hall on Butler Avenue in Lincoln. The lease of the building, at the rate of \$650.00 per month, is to commence on December 1, 1992, and will terminate on June 30, 1997, with the option to renew the lease for up to four years.

M 428 92 Authorize Lease for Paramedic Station 101, Lincoln A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Benson, that the President of the Sussex County Council be authorized to execute the Lease Agreement with the Lincoln Community Hall for Paramedic Station 101.

Motion Adopted: 4 Yea; 1 Absent.

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101,  
Lincoln

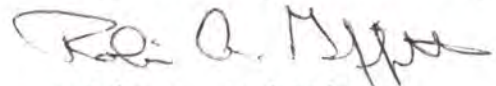
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M 428 92 Vote by Roll Call: Mr. Benson, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea;  
(con't) Mr. Collins, Absent; Mr. Stevenson, Yea;  
Mr. Dukes, Yea

Proposed Mr. Dukes introduced a Proposed Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE  
Ordinance TO AMEND THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING MAP OF SUSSEX COUNTY FROM AN  
AR-1 AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO A B-1 NEIGHBORHOOD  
BUSINESS DISTRICT FOR A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING  
IN INDIAN RIVER HUNDRED, SUSSEX COUNTY, CONTAINING 1.00 ACRE,  
MORE OR LESS" (C/Z #1175) filed on behalf of American Legion  
Oak Orchard - Riverdale Post #28. The Proposed Ordinance will be  
advertised for Public Hearing.

M 429 92 A Motion was made by Mr. Stevenson, seconded by Mr. Benson, to  
Adjourn adjourn at 11:30 a.m. Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Robin A. Griffith  
Clerk of the County Council