

SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL - GEORGETOWN, DELAWARE, OCTOBER 24, 1995

Call to Order The regular meeting of the Sussex County Council was held Tuesday, October 24, 1995, at 10:00 a.m. at the Oak Orchard Community Center on Route 5, Oak Orchard, Sussex County, 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.

Proposed Amend-ment to Minutes Mr. Stickels, County Administrator, recommended that the minutes of October 17, 1995, Page 4, under "Proposed Ordinance Relating to Utility Billings and Industrial Pre-treatment Fees" be amended to include the following:

1. The assessment on theaters, indoor and outdoor, is to be based on seats/spaces and not fixture units, as follows:

Theaters - Indoor	1 EDU/60 seats
Theaters - Outdoor	1 EDU/30 spaces
2. The Ordinance will become effective immediately for properties located within the West Rehoboth Extension of the Dewey Beach Sanitary Sewer System.

M 461 95 A Motion was made by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Benson, to Approve Minutes approve the minutes of the meeting dated October 17, 1995, as amended. Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.

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

NANCY FARRELLY, LAUREL LIONS CLUB, LAUREL, DELAWARE.
RE: Letter to Mr. Dukes and Mr. Collins in appreciation of their Councilmanic Grants for the Wilmer Eye Institute.

MARJORIE MEYERMANN, ADMINISTRATOR, VOLUNTEER SERVICES, DELAWARE HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, CLAYMONT, DELAWARE.
RE: Letter to Council in appreciation of the \$2,000 Grant to start Adopt-a-Family in Sussex County.

Grant/ U of D Extension Service Mr. Mark Isaacs, Director of Research and Education, University of Delaware and College of Agricultural Sciences, was in attendance to accept a check from Council in the amount of \$86,619.00 representing a grant to the University of Delaware Extension Service. Mr. Isaacs provided an overview on how previous funds

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appropriated by Council have been used and thanked Council for their continued support of the many research and extension programs conducted at the University of Delaware Research and Education Center.

Amendment
No. 2 to
Contract
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Mr. Stickels, County Administrator, and Mr. Shafer of Whitman, Reguardt and Associates, discussed Amendment No. 2 to the Contract for the Comprehensive Land Use Plan for Sussex County. The work under Amendment No. 2 will include the Route 13 Sewer Planning Study and a Route 13 Water Planning Study. The work will consist of a sewer planning study to assess current conditions and to develop a Regional Sanitary Plan to serve the future needs of the Route 13 drainage area. The work effort will address requirements in the Shaping Delaware's Future Act and the goals of the Cabinet Committee on State Planning Issues. The fee structure will remain the same as Article Four of the original Contract except the cost for the additional work shall not exceed \$300,000. The State will fund \$200,000; \$150,000 of which has been previously authorized. Whitman, Reguardt and Associates will assist County staff in the application for the additional \$50,000. The County will provide \$50,000 from the 1995 fiscal year budget and \$50,000 from the 1996 fiscal year budget.

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A Motion was made by Mr. Stevenson, seconded by Mr. Benson, that the Sussex County Council authorizes the President of the County Council to enter into a Contract Amendment with Whitman, Reguardt and Associates, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000, for a Route 13 Sewer Planning Study and a Route 13 Water Planning Study, as additional professional services to be provided under the existing Contract for the update of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan of Sussex County, Delaware. It is the specific finding of the Sussex County Council that these additional professional services are necessary during the course of completion of the previously awarded contract, that the interests of the County are best served by procuring the additional professional services from the firm already under contract, and that the additional professional services are within the scope of the existing contract.

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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Mr. Stickels, County Administrator, informed Council that the County has received a grant in the amount of \$10,000 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency for the purchase of evacuation signs for Sussex County. Approximately 150 signs will be placed along County roads, starting on the east side of the County and working westward. The signs to be used were displayed at the meeting.

Road Naming Project

Mr. Norwood and Ms. George of the Assessment Office were in attendance to discuss with Council the finalization of the County's Rural Road Naming and Readdressing Project. A list of proposed road names, with the exception of a few arterial roads, was distributed at the October 17, 1995, Council meeting. Of particular concern at that time, were road names for Routes 1, 13 and 113. In an effort to address concerns, Mr. Norwood provided historical information on Routes 13 and 113. It was noted that in the final listing of Proposed Road Names submitted at this meeting, Route 1 was named Coastal Highway, Route 13 was named Sussex Highway, and Route 113 was named DuPont Boulevard.

M 463 95 Adopt Road Names for Sussex County

A Motion was made by Mr. Stevenson, seconded by Mr. Benson, that, after conducting 23 public meetings, the Sussex County Council hereby Adopts the road names for Sussex County roads as presented; and Be It Further Moved that the County Council imposes a renaming moratorium for a period of three years, sunseting on October 24, 1998.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

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

Present Certificate

Mr. Dukes presented to Mr. Norwood, on behalf of Council a Certificate of Appreciation expressing appreciation for implementing the Sussex County Road Naming Program.

H/S Grants

Mr. Stickels, County Administrator, discussed the listing of recommendations for the Fiscal 1996 Human Service Grants.

M 464 95 Approve Fiscal 1996 Human Service Grants

A Motion was made by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Benson, that the Sussex County Council authorizes the distribution of \$97,000.00 in Fiscal 1996 Human Service Grants, as presented and recommended by the County Administrator, as follows:

AHEDD, Inc.	\$ 500.00
ANKH, Inc.	\$ 500.00
American Cancer Society	\$ 2,500.00
American Diabetes Association	\$ 1,000.00
American Heart Association of Delaware, Inc.	\$ 1,000.00
American Red Cross	\$ 3,000.00
Arthritis Foundation - Delaware Chapter	\$ 1,000.00
Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Delaware, Inc.	\$ 1,000.00

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Boy Scouts of America - Delmarva Council, Inc.	\$ 1,000.00
Boys and Girls Clubs of Delaware	\$ 1,500.00
Camp Barnes, Inc.	\$ 1,000.00
Casa San Francisco	\$ 2,000.00
Catholic Charities	\$ 3,000.00
CHEER Centers	
Georgetown	\$ 500.00
Huling Cove (Lewes)	\$ 500.00
Roxana	\$ 500.00
Slaughter Neck	\$ 500.00
Greenwood	\$ 500.00
Oak Orchard	\$ 500.00
Church of God and Saints of Christ	\$ 1,000.00
Colonel David Hall Chapter, DAR	\$ 500.00
Community Legal Aid Society, Inc.	\$ 1,000.00
Contact Delaware, Inc.	\$ 1,000.00
Delaware Agricultural Museum and Village	\$ 1,000.00
Delaware Hospice, Inc.	\$ 2,000.00
Delaware Music School	\$ 500.00
Delaware Nature Society	\$ 1,250.00
Delaware Police Chiefs' Council, Inc.	\$ 2,750.00
Delaware Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA)	\$ 1,000.00
Delawareans United to Prevent Child Abuse	\$ 500.00
Easter Seal Rehabilitation Center	\$ 1,000.00
Families in Crisis	\$ 1,000.00
Family and Children Services of Delaware	\$ 1,000.00

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Geriatric Services of Delaware, Inc.	\$ 2,000.00
Good Samaritan Aid Organization	\$ 500.00
Homebound Elderly Rehabilitation Opportunities Inc. (HERO)	\$ 1,000.00
Junior Achievement of Delaware, Inc.	\$ 1,000.00
Kent-Sussex Industries, Inc.	\$ 1,250.00
Laurel Lions Club	\$ 1,000.00
Laurel Youth Sports, Inc.	\$ 750.00
Storybook House (Jack Lewis)	\$ 500.00
March of Dimes	\$ 1,000.00
Meals on Wheels of Lewes and Rehoboth, Inc.	\$ 6,000.00
Millsboro Historical Society	\$ 250.00
Nanticoke Indian Elder Center	\$ 500.00
National Multiple Sclerosis Society- Delaware Chapter	\$ 1,000.00
Ocean View Leisure Center	\$ 500.00
People's Place II, Inc.	\$ 2,500.00
Pioneer Club of Sussex County/ Visually Impaired	\$ 500.00
Possum Point Players	\$ 500.00
Pyle Child Development Center, Inc.	\$ 750.00
Read-Aloud Delaware	\$ 1,500.00
Rehoboth Day Care Center, Inc.	\$ 1,000.00
Seaford Historical Society, Inc.	\$ 1,000.00
Slaughter Neck Community Action Agency, Inc.	\$ 2,500.00
Second Street Players	\$ 500.00
Sussex County Senior Centers Bridgeville	\$ 3,000.00

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Cape Henlopen	\$ 3,000.00
Indian River	\$ 3,000.00
Laurel	\$ 3,000.00
Lewes	\$ 3,000.00
Milford	\$ 3,000.00
Nanticoke	\$ 3,000.00
Sussex Community Crisis Housing Services, Inc.	\$ 1,500.00
Sussex Community Swim Team AKA Sussex County Swim Team	\$ 1,000.00
Sussex County Arts Council	\$ 1,000.00
Sussex Pregnancy Care Center	\$ 1,000.00
Turnabout Counseling Center	\$ 2,000.00
United Cerebral Palsy of Delaware, Inc.	\$ 1,500.00
Women in Transition Program	\$ 500.00
YMCA of Delaware	\$ 2,000.00
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$97,000.00</u>

Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

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

Mr. Stickels, County Administrator, reported on Special Grants for Fiscal 1996, as follows:

Human Service Grants	\$ 97,000.00
Agricultural Extension Work, University of Delaware	\$ 86,619.00
Sussex Soil Conservation District Grants	\$ 132,899.00
Sussex County Fire and Ambulance Companies	\$ 423,614.00
Sussex County Fire Service Discretionary Grants	\$ 207,000.00
Sussex State Police Program Grant	\$ 313,898.00

M 464 95 (con't)	Sussex Local Library Grants	\$ 110,360.00
	Sussex Local Library Placement Fee Grants	\$ 132,000.00
	Sussex County Councilmanic Grants	\$ 50,000.00
	CHEER's Meals Program	\$ 5,000.00
	Sussex County Community Action Agency	\$ 5,000.00
	Sussex Small Business Development Center	\$ 5,000.00
	Delaware Arts Stabilization Fund Grant	\$ 5,000.00
	Slam Dunk to the Beach	\$ 5,000.00
	Adopt-a-Family Program Grant	\$ 2,000.00
	Delaware Technical & Community College Women's Conference	\$ 2,500.00
	Delaware Agricultural Museum Grant	\$ 2,000.00
	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$1,584,890.00</u>

Building Code Request Mr. Stickels, County Administrator, advised Council of a request from the Town Council of Greenwood that Sussex County enforce Single Family Building Code requirements within the town limits of Greenwood.

M 465 95 Authorize County to Enforce Single Family Building Code in Greenwood A Motion was made by Mr. Stevenson, seconded by Mr. Benson, that the Sussex County Council approves the request of the Town Council of Greenwood to authorize the Sussex County Building Code Department to enforce Single Family Building Code requirements effective January 1, 1996.
Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.
Vote by Roll Call: Mr. Benson, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea; Mr. Collins, Yea; Mr. Stevenson, Yea; Mr. Dukes, Yea

Proposed Legislation/H.R. 2500 Mr. Stickels, County Administrator, advised Council of the introduction of H.R. 2500, the Reform of Superfund Act of 1995. H.R. 2500 provides liability relief for owners and operators of municipal landfills that accepted ordinary solid waste which was disposed of with industrial waste. Current Federal legislation under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act places undue hardship on local governments. The application of EPA standards to all facilities in the Superfund Program has

Proposed already cost Sussex County more than \$2.2 Million in technical and legal fees. H.R. 2500 requires the cleanup of Superfund landfills to be paid entirely by the Federal government and would also relieve liability for past expenses. Mr. Stickels read, for Council's consideration, a Proposed Resolution entitled "SUPPORTING SUPERFUND REFORM BILL H.R. 2500".

M 466 95 A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Collins, to Adopt Resolution No. R 017 95 entitled "SUPPORTING SUPERFUND REFORM BILL H.R. 2500".

No. Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.
R 017 95

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

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

1. Beaver Dam Heights Subdivision

A referendum for the Beaver Dam Heights Subdivision Streetlighting District was held on Friday, October 20, 1995. The referendum passed with a vote tally of 29-For and 19-Against. First year annual cost for the streetlighting district will be \$65. After the first year, the cost is projected to be \$45 per year.

2. Senior Citizens County Government Day

The County Council will host Senior Citizens County Government Day on Thursday, November 2, 1995. The day's festivities will start at 9:00 a.m. in the County Council Chambers. The day's activities include a mock County Council session, lunch, and tour of the County facilities.

3. Delaware State Police - Sussex County Status Report

The following hours of duty were compiled by the Delaware State Police in July, August, and September, 1995, in Sussex County:

	<u>Troop 4</u>	<u>Troop 5</u>	<u>Troop 7</u>
Total Hours on Duty	10,037.5	12,603.5	14,896
Hours Assisted Other Agencies	141	100	138
Total Traffic Arrests	2,887	3,972	3,285
Total D.U.I. Arrests	114	98	144

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Accident Reports:			
Property Damage	146	166	393
Personal Injury	<u>59</u>	<u>94</u>	<u>131</u>
Total Accident Reports	205	260	524
Criminal Arrests:			
Felony	73	98	86
Misdemeanor	<u>354</u>	<u>357</u>	<u>581</u>
Total Criminal Arrests	427	455	667
Total 10-29 P's (Wanted Persons)	55	155	164
Total Number of Complaints	1,853	2,951	4,470

Had the County Council not provided funding for twelve patrol officers in Sussex County, the 1,853 complaints handled during this period by Troop 4 would have had to have been handled by Troops 5 and 7. The Troop 4 location in Georgetown continues to allow troopers dispatched from Bridgeville and Lewes to respond quicker to their patrol areas.

4. Sussex County Volunteer Firemen's Association

The Dagsboro Volunteer Fire Company will host the Sussex County Volunteer Firemen's Association monthly dinner meeting on Tuesday, October 24, 1995, at the Dagsboro Fire Hall. During this Tuesday's meeting, the County Council will distribute checks to the volunteer fire and ambulance companies in the amount of \$211,807. Second checks for a similar amount will be distributed at the May meeting.

In addition to this \$423,614, the County Council has also made \$207,000 available to the volunteer fire and ambulance companies to help purchase equipment and pay for basic life support attendants. This brings the total amount provided by the Sussex County Council to the volunteer fire and ambulance companies to \$630,614.

Conley
Chapel
Village

Mr. Izzo, Director of Public Works, discussed Change Order No. 1 and Substantial Completion for the Conley Chapel Village Suburban Community Improvements.

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Change
Order
No. 1/
Conley
Chapel
Village/
Project
No. 95-07

A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Benson, based upon the recommendation of the Sussex County Engineering Department, that Change Order No. 1 for Sussex County Project No. 95-07 entitled "Conley Chapel Village, Suburban Community Improvements, Pavement Overlay", be approved to balance bid quantities, which results in a cost increase of \$2,620.92, and increases the Contract total from \$68,230.00 to \$70,850.92.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

M 467 95 Vote by Roll Call: Mr. Benson, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea;
(con't) Mr. Collins, Yea; Mr. Stevenson, Yea;
Mr. Dukes, Yea

M 468 95 A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Collins, based
Grant upon the recommendation of the Sussex County Engineering
Substan- Department for Sussex County Project No. 95-07 entitled
tial "Conley Chapel Village, Suburban Community Improvements,
Comple- Pavement Overlay", that Jerry's Inc. be granted Substantial
tion/ Completion effective October 13, 1995, and all held retainage
Conley be released pending completion of any outstanding punchlist
Chapel items.
Village/
Project Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.
No. 95-07

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

Library Ms. Fitzgerald, Director of County Libraries, advised that
Automa- on October 17, 1995, four proposals for an Automated Integrated
tion Library System for Sussex County Department of Libraries were
Bids opened. Proposals were submitted from Ameritech Library
Services, Provo, Utah; Geac Computers, Inc., Newtonville,
Massachusetts; Innovative Interfaces, Inc., Emeryville,
California; and The Library Corporation, Inwood, West Virginia.
The Library Corporation proposal has been disqualified because
they did not conform to the requirements as set forth in the
Request for Proposal. The remaining three proposals will be
sent to Information Systems Consultants, Inc. for review and
recommendation.

M 469 95 A Motion was made by Mr. Stevenson, seconded by Mr. Benson,
Council- to give \$250.00 from Mr. Stevenson's Councilmanic Account to
manic the Greater Georgetown Chamber of Commerce to help replace
Grant bulbs for the 1995 Christmas lighting.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

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

M 470 95 A Motion was made by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Benson,
Council- to give \$200.00 from Mr. Collins' Councilmanic Account to
manic Millsboro Hut, Inc. for operating and maintenance expenses.
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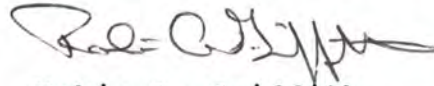
Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

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

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M 471 95 Following a question and answer period, a Motion was made by
Adjourn Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Benson, to adjourn at 11:40 a.m.
Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Robin A. Griffith
Clerk of the County Council