

SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL - GEORGETOWN, DELAWARE, NOVEMBER 19, 1996

Call to Order The regular meeting of the Sussex County Council was held Tuesday, November 19, 1996, 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 492 96 A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Collins, to Amend Agenda Amend the Agenda to include under Russell W. Archut, Director of Planning and Permits, Proposed Ordinance: "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 110 OF THE CODE OF SUSSEX COUNTY, TO AMEND THE PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SEWER CAPITALIZATION FEE".

Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

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

M 493 96 A Motion was made by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Benson, to Approve Agenda Approve the Agenda, as amended.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

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

M 494 96 A Motion was made by Mr. Benson, seconded by Mr. Collins, to Approve Minutes approve the minutes of the previous meeting dated November 12, 1996. Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.

Corre- Mr. Bayard, County Attorney, read the following correspondence:
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CENTER FOR THE INLAND BAYS, NASSAU, DELAWARE.
RE: November/December 1996 Newsletter.

CHARLOTTE P. CAMPBELL, RETURN DAY COMMITTEE MEMBER, GEORGETOWN, DELAWARE.

RE: Letter of apology for transportation problems at the Return Day festivities.

THOMAS A. GRAVES, JR. AND DONALD R. KIRTLEY, DELAWARE ARTS STABILIZATION FUND CAMPAIGN, WILMINGTON, DELAWARE.

RE: Letter of appreciation for Sussex County Council's contribution in the amount of \$5,000.

Corre- ANDREW J. LORENZ, STATE OF DELAWARE, DELAWARE STATE HOUSING
spondence AUTHORITY, DOVER, DELAWARE.
(con't) RE: DSHA monitoring of Sussex County Community Development
Block Grant (CDBG) Contract #03-95.

EDWARD G. POLLARD, JR., COURT ADMINISTRATOR, THE FAMILY
COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, WILMINGTON, DELAWARE.
RE: Letter to Mr. Dukes regarding the prisoner transportation
issue.

Funding Mr. Dukes presented a check in the amount of \$35,000 to repre-
for sentatives of the Sussex County Volunteer Firemen's Association.
Foam The \$35,000 will be used to fund the purchase of a new foam
Trailer trailer that will be used throughout Sussex County.

Morator- Mr. Stickels, County Administrator, discussed the moratorium
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Land that was imposed on August 27, 1996, upon application for
Use changes of zone designation, conditional uses, or the sub-
Plan division of land. The moratorium expires on December 31, 1996,
or upon the adoption of a comprehensive land use plan, which
ever shall occur first. Mr. Stickels advised that the compre-
hensive land use plan will not be ready for adoption by Decem-
ber 31, 1996.

Proposed Mr. Cole introduced the Proposed Ordinance entitled "AN
Ordinance ORDINANCE AMENDING AN ORDINANCE IMPOSING A MORATORIUM UPON
APPLICATION FOR CHANGE OF ZONE DESIGNATION, ETC., BY EXTENDING
THE EXPIRATION DATE OF THE MORATORIUM". A Public Hearing will
be advertised for December 17, 1996, at 11:00 a.m.

Carol- Mr. Stickels, County Administrator, provided Council with an
ling on update on the "Carolling on The Circle" festivities scheduled
The for Monday, December 9, 1996, at 7:00 p.m. The theme for this
Circle year's program will be "Sussex Countians Helping Sussex Countians".

Proposed Mr. Stickels, County Administrator, reviewed the Proposed 1997
1997 Sussex County Holiday Schedule and the proposed dates that
Sussex Council meetings will not be held, as follows:

	<u>HOLIDAY</u>	<u>COUNTY OBSERVANCE</u>
	New Year's Day	January 1, 1997
	Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday	January 20, 1997
	Presidents' Day	February 17, 1997
	Good Friday	March 28, 1997
	Memorial Day	May 26, 1997
	Independence Day	July 4, 1997
	Labor Day	September 1, 1997
	Columbus Day	October 13, 1997
	Veterans' Day	November 11, 1997
	Thanksgiving Day	November 27, 1997
	Day After Thanksgiving	November 28, 1997
	Christmas Eve	December 24, 1997
	Christmas Day	December 25, 1997

Holiday
Schedule
(con't)

NO COUNCIL MEETING

National Association of Counties Conference	March 4, 1997
Easter Week	March 26, 1997
Memorial Day Week	May 27, 1997
Independence Day Week	July 1, 1997
Labor Day Week	September 2, 1997
Thanksgiving Day Week	November 25, 1997
Christmas Week	December 23, 1997

M 495 96
Authorize
Adoption
of the
1997
Sussex
County
Holiday
Schedule

A Motion was made by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Cole, authorizing the adoption of the 1997 Sussex County Holiday Schedule, and the dates that Council meetings will not be held, as presented by the County Administrator.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

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

Adminis-
trator's
Report

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

1. Troop 4 Status Report

The following hours of duty and enforcement were compiled by the uniformed patrol officers at Troop 4, Georgetown, Delaware, during the month of October 1996:

Total Hours on Duty	4,182.00
Hours Assisted Other Agencies	39.50
Total Traffic Arrests	855
Total DUI Arrests	22
Accident Reports: Property Damage	73
Personal Injury	<u>19</u>
Total Accident Reports	92
Criminal Arrests: Felony	18
Misdemeanor	<u>191</u>
Total Criminal Arrests	209
Total 10-29 P's (wanted persons)	62
Total Number of Complaints	708

2. Mildred King Memorial Luncheon

County offices will be closed at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, December 3, 1996, until 1:30 p.m. to allow County employees to attend the Mildred King Memorial Luncheon.

Adminis-
trator's
Report
(con't)

3. Thanksgiving Day Holiday

Sussex County offices will be closed on Thursday, November 28, and Friday, November 29, 1996, to allow employees to observe the Thanksgiving Day holiday. Additionally, there will not be a County Council meeting on Tuesday, November 26, 1996.

4. County Government Office Relocation

Sussex County government offices will not be relocating until Thursday, December 5, and Friday, December 6, 1996.

On those days, County offices will not be accepting the public for business such as building permits, mobile home placement permits, deed transfers, or other County government functions. Offices will close at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 4, and reopen in the County's new Administrative Office Building on Monday, December 9, 1996, at 8:30 a.m.

The first County Council meeting to be held in the new Administrative Office Building will be on Tuesday, December 3, 1996, at 10:00 a.m.

Presen-
tation
of
Library
Cards

Ms. Fitzgerald, Director of County Libraries, and Ms. Russell, System Administrator for the Library Automation System, were in attendance to present to Council library cards for the new Sussex County Library System. The card will be valid at all Sussex County library locations. Ms. Fitzgerald updated Council on the progress of the Library Automation System: all equipment has been installed; training has commenced; the process of automation will begin towards the end of December.

Boundary
Extension
Request
WREDBSSD

Mr. Archut, Director of Planning and Permits, advised Council that a letter has been received requesting a boundary extension of the West Rehoboth Expansion of the Dewey Beach Sanitary Sewer District to include the Sea Chase Condominium property.

M 496 96
Prepare
and Post
Notices/
Boundary
Extension
Request/
WREDBSSD

A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Collins, that the Sussex County Engineering Department is authorized to prepare and post notices for the extension of the West Rehoboth Expansion of the Dewey Beach Sanitary Sewer District boundary to include the Sea Chase Condominium property, as presented on November 19, 1996.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

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

Draft/
Proposed Ordinance Mr. Archut, Director of Planning and Permits, discussed a draft of a Proposed Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 110 OF THE CODE OF SUSSEX COUNTY, TO AMEND THE PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SEWER CAPITALIZATION FEE". The effective date of this Ordinance would be January 1, 1997.

Proposed Ordinance Mr. Collins introduced the Proposed Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 110 OF THE CODE OF SUSSEX COUNTY, TO AMEND THE PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SEWER CAPITALIZATION FEE". The Proposed Ordinance will be advertised for Public Hearing.

Sussex County Airport Timber Sale Project Mr. Izzo, Acting County Engineer, discussed Sussex County Project No. 96-09, Sussex County Airport Timber Sale. This project is for the purpose of removing the obstruction of trees that lie in the clear zone at the end of the runways at the Sussex County Airport and to open up areas at the Airport for development. Mr. Izzo advised that bids have been received for the project and he recommended that the bid be awarded to Chesapeake Forest Products Company for the bid amount of \$93,125.35.

M 497 96 Award Sussex County Project No. 96-09/
Timber Sale A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Benson, based upon the recommendation of the Sussex County Engineering Department, that Sussex County Project No. 96-09, Sussex County Airport Timber Sale, be awarded to Chesapeake Forest Products Company to allow the affected timber to be sold for \$93,125.35.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

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

M 498 96 Councilmanic Grant A Motion was made by Mr. Stevenson, seconded by Mr. Benson, to give \$1,000, \$500 from Mr. Stevenson's Councilmanic Account and \$500 from Mr. Benson's Councilmanic Account, to the Milford Senior Center, Inc. to provide funding for the renovation of a downtown building into a new Milford Senior Center.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

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

M 499 96 Councilmanic Grant A Motion was made by Mr. Benson, seconded by Mr. Stevenson, to give \$600 from Mr. Benson's Councilmanic Account to the Town of Milton for Christmas decorations for the downtown area.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

M 499 96 Vote by Roll Call: Mr. Benson, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea;
(con't) Mr. Collins, Yea; Mr. Stevenson, Yea;
Mr. Dukes, Yea

M 500 96 A Motion was made by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Benson, to
Council- give \$200, \$100 from Mr. Collins' Councilmanic Account and
manic \$100 from Mr. Dukes' Councilmanic Account, to the Laurel Pee
Grant Wee and Midget Pop Warner Cheerleaders to help cover expenses
incurred at the Regional Cheerleading Tournament in Syracuse,
New York.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

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

M 501 96 A Motion was made by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Benson, to
Council- give \$300, \$150 from Mr. Collins' Councilmanic Account and \$150
manic from Mr. Cole's Councilmanic Account, to the Oak Orchard Mature
Grant Lifestyle Center Cheer to help fund the purchase of a new copier.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

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

M 502 96 A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Stevenson, to
Council- give \$500, \$100 from each Councilmanic Account, to the Delaware
manic Technical & Community College Roadrunners teams for operating
Grant costs.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

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

M 503 96 A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Collins, to
Council- give \$500, \$100 from each Councilmanic Account, to the Sussex
manic County Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) for the RSVP
Grant knitting project.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yea.

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

Right Mr. Stickels, County Administrator, distributed for Council's
to Farm information a copy of a Right to Farm Ordinance which is in
Ordinance the process of being signed by the Board of County Commissioners
of Frederick County, Maryland.

Funding
Request

Mr. Stickels, County Administrator, presented for Council's consideration a Human Service Grant request from Bruce A. Richards, Ph.D., Executive Director, Center for the Inland Bays, for funding in the amount of \$4,500 for their environmental education program.


M 504 96
Human
Service
Grant

A Motion was made by Mr. Collins to give \$2,000 from Human Service Grants to the Center for the Inland Bays for their environmental education program. The Motion died for the lack of a second.

M 505 96
Adjourn

A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Benson, to adjourn at 11:22 a.m. Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Robin A. Griffith
Clerk of the County Council