

ORDINANCE NO. 2352

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR
FISCAL YEAR 2015

THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1: The Statement of Anticipated General Fund Revenues for the Fiscal Year
Ending June 30, 2015 is as follows:

	<u>Amount</u> <u>Year Ending</u> <u>June 30, 2015</u>
<u>REVENUES:</u>	
<u>Taxes</u>	
Property – County	\$12,452,070
Property – Library	1,460,016
Realty Transfer	16,000,000
Fire Service	1,000,000
Penalties and Interest	120,000
<u>Intergovernmental</u>	
Federal Grants	
Emergency Operations	160,000
Emergency Management	6,200
Housing and Urban Development	1,775,000
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	5,000
State Grants	
Paramedics	3,994,650
Library	340,000
Local Emergency Planning Commission	66,950
Department of Health	10,000
<u>Charges for Services</u>	
Constitutional Offices Fees	
Marriage Bureau	134,000
Recorder of Deeds	3,300,000
Recorder of Deeds – Town Realty Transfer Tax	30,000
Recorder of Deeds - Maintenance	40,000
Register of Wills	950,000
Sheriff	2,150,000
General Government Fees	
Building Permit and Zoning Fees	1,325,000
911 System Fee	559,630
Manufactured Home Placement Fees	74,000
Building Inspection Fees	1,040,000
Airpark Operation Fees	472,820
Miscellaneous Fees	86,000
Dog Licensing	74,000
Rents other than Airpark	38,170
Private Road and Inspection Fees	377,000

	Amount Year Ending June 30, 2015
<u>Miscellaneous Revenue</u>	
Contributions and Donations	\$ 25,000
Economic Loan Repayments	45,000
Fines and Forfeits	22,000
Investment Income	400,000
Reimbursements – Medicare	94,080
Miscellaneous Revenue	18,000
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>	
Reimbursements from other funds	300,000
Appropriated Reserves	3,000,000
<u>TOTAL REVENUES</u>	<u>\$51,944,586</u>

Section 2. The Statement of General Fund Appropriations and Expenditures for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2015 is established as follows:

	Amount Year Ending June 30, 2015
<u>EXPENDITURES:</u>	
<u>General Administration</u>	
County Council Administration	\$ 513,286
Legal	569,170
Finance	370,000
Assessment	1,836,669
Building Code	1,466,378
Mapping & Addressing	786,212
Human Resources	728,705
Records Management	838,127
Buildings and Grounds	180,719
Information Technology	1,761,191
Constable	1,449,792
Dog Control	230,634
	741,512
<u>Planning & Zoning</u>	1,255,298
<u>Paramedics</u>	13,315,497
<u>Emergency Preparedness</u>	
Administration	467,259
Emergency Operations	1,929,054
Communication Systems	452,587
Local Emergency Planning Committee	73,513

	Amount Year Ending June 30, 2015
<u>Engineering</u>	
Administration	\$1,301,245
Public Works	613,472
<u>Library</u>	
Administration	635,485
Facilities	1,895,283
Local Libraries	1,460,017
<u>Economic Development</u>	
Economic Development	123,828
Security	421,722
Airport and Industrial Park	660,764
<u>Community Development</u>	2,041,920
<u>Grant-in-aid</u>	7,600,361
<u>Constitutional Offices</u>	
Marriage Bureau	176,294
Recorder of Deeds	1,148,045
Register of Wills	533,805
Sheriff	681,241
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>	
Transfers Out	85,500
Reserve for Contingencies	3,600,000
<u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u>	<u>\$51,944,585</u>

Section 3. The Tax Rate, Firemen's Enhancement Funding Program, and Cluster Fees for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2015 are established as follows:

- (a) County Property Tax Rate \$.4450 per \$100.00 of taxable assessed valuation.
- (b) Firemen's Enhancement Funding Program – Building Permit surcharge of one-quarter of one percent (.25%) of construction values.
- (c) Cluster Fee for a density bonus.
 1. For the Town Centers and Developing Areas around Greenwood, Bridgeville, Seaford, Blades, Laurel, and Delmar - \$15,000 per unit in excess of two dwelling units per acre.
 2. For the Town Centers and Developing Areas around Milford, Milton, Ellendale, Georgetown, Millsboro, Dagsboro, Frankford and Selbyville - \$15,000 per unit in excess of two dwelling units per acre.
 3. For the Environmentally Sensitive Developing Area - \$20,000 per unit in excess of two dwelling units per acre.

Section 4. The Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for the Capital Projects Fund for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2015 is as follows:

	Amount Year Ending June 30, 2015
<u>Revenues:</u>	
Appropriated Reserves	\$ 1,763,485
Federal Aviation Grant	270,000
Investment Income	20,000
Realty Transfer Tax	4,000,000
State of Delaware Grant – Aviation	7,500
State of Delaware Grant – Bond Bill	100,000
State of Delaware Grant – Emergency Management	500,000
State of Delaware Grant - Paramedic	<u>435,000</u>
<u>Total Revenues</u>	<u>\$ 7,095,985</u>
<u>Expenditures:</u>	
Administrative	
Building Improvements	\$ 765,000
IT Data Center	155,000
Pole Barn	270,000
Parking Lot Improvements	20,000
Digitize Map Project	230,000
Airpark	
Apron Improvements	300,000
Electrical Improvements	530,935
Land Acquisition	900,000
Pavement Improvements	57,800
Stormwater Improvements	131,250
Taxiway Improvements	636,000
Security Improvements	20,000
Water Plant Improvements	10,000
Wind Tree Replacement	20,000
Airport Sign	50,000
Engineering	
Woodland Park	250,000
Land Acquisition	300,000
Emergency Operations	
Mobile Command	800,000
Library	
Buildings	200,000
Paramedic	
Buildings	<u>1,450,000</u>
<u>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>\$ 7,095,985</u>

Section 5. The Statement of Enterprise Funds Budget Revenues and Expenditures for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2015 is as follows:

	Amount Year Ending <u>June 30, 2015</u>
<u>Operating Revenues</u>	
Finance Charges	\$ 1,040
Holding Tank Fees	264,000
License, Permits, and Review Fees	605,700
Miscellaneous Fees	168,542
Service Charges	19,457,709
<u>Non-Operating Revenues</u>	
Assessment Charges	9,148,673
Capitalized Ordinance 38 Fees	1,500,000
Connection Charges	2,291,898
Investment Results	211,070
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>	
Transfers In	85,500
Available Funds	683,925
<u>TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING</u>	<u>\$34,418,057</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>	
Administrative Costs	\$ 6,115,825
Operations and Maintenance Costs	11,521,218
Capital Expenditures	3,661,925
Debt Service	<u>13,119,089</u>
<u>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>\$34,418,057</u>

Section 6. Unappropriated or unobligated General Fund expenditures requiring a transfer from the General Fund Undesignated Fund Balance require approval by not less than four-fifths of the members of Sussex County Council concurring.

Section 7. The County has invested \$10 million of Appropriated Reserves from Realty Transfer Tax funds with a goal to earn five percent per year. The fire companies are to receive a grant for the annual investment income from this investment up to four percent per year; these fire service grants are to be awarded annually based on recommendations from the Fire Resource Committee, but at the discretion of the Sussex County Council. Sussex County will receive the first one percent of the investment income earned. The fire service would receive investment income of up to four percent after Sussex County receives one percent. A four-fifths vote of the County Council is required to use principal for any other purpose. If there is a loss from the investments, then the principal balance must be restored before any additional grants are made from investment income in the future to the County or the fire service. Sussex County is to receive the investment income over five percent per year. These grants to the fire service will be awarded annually, based on the previous calendar year's annual investment results.

Section 8. This Ordinance shall become effective on July 1, 2014.

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF ORDINANCE NO. 2352 ADOPTED BY THE SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL ON THE 17TH DAY OF JUNE 2014.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Re Griffith", with a stylized flourish at the end.

**ROBIN A. GRIFFITH
CLERK OF THE COUNCIL**