

**ORDINANCE NO. 2309**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR  
FISCAL YEAR 2014**

**THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX HEREBY ORDAINS:**

**Section 1: The Statement of Anticipated General Fund Revenues for the Fiscal Year  
Ending June 30, 2014 is as follows:**

	<b>Amount Year Ending <u>June 30, 2014</u></b>
<b><u>REVENUES:</u></b>	
<b><u>Taxes</u></b>	
Real Property – County	\$12,237,907
Real Property – Library	1,434,874
Realty Transfer Tax	16,000,000
Fire Service	900,000
Penalties and Interest	100,000
<b><u>Intergovernmental</u></b>	
Federal Grants	
Emergency Operations	160,000
Emergency Management	3,250
Housing and Urban Development	1,856,300
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	5,600
State Grants	
Paramedics	3,941,135
Library	340,938
Local Emergency Planning Commission	69,000
Department of Health	10,000
<b><u>Charges for Services</u></b>	
Constitutional Office Fees	
Marriage Bureau	115,000
Prothonotary	2,000
Recorder of Deeds	3,300,000
Recorder of Deeds – Town Realty Transfer Tax	30,000
Recorder of Deeds - Maintenance	40,000
Register of Wills	1,000,000
Sheriff	2,010,000
General Government Fees	
Building Permit and Zoning Fees	1,315,000
911 System Fee	559,630
Manufactured Home Placement Tax	74,000
Building Inspection Fees	856,000
Airpark Operation Fees	430,912
Miscellaneous Fees	25,000
Dog Licensing	72,000
Rents other than Airpark	37,210
Private Road and Inspection Fees	250,000
Sewer Review and Inspection	4,400

	<b>Amount Year Ending <u>June 30, 2014</u></b>
<b><u>Miscellaneous Revenue</u></b>	
Contributions and Donations	\$ 25,000
Economic Loan Repayments	45,560
Fines and Forfeits	24,000
Investment Income	170,000
Reimbursements – Medicare	96,000
Miscellaneous Revenues	17,900
<b><u>Other Financing Sources</u></b>	
Reimbursements from other funds	300,000
Appropriated Reserves	2,278,232
<b><u>TOTAL REVENUES</u></b>	<b><u>\$50,136,848</u></b>

**Section 2. The Statement of General Fund Appropriations and Expenditures for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2014 is established as follows:**

	<b>Amount Year Ending <u>June 30, 2014</u></b>
<b><u>EXPENDITURES:</u></b>	
<b><u>General Administration</u></b>	
County Council	\$ 502,368
County Administration	504,559
Legal	335,000
Finance	1,822,809
Assessment	1,403,250
Building Code	620,243
Mapping & Addressing	686,443
Human Resources	1,277,746
Records Management	156,759
Buildings and Grounds	1,333,246
Data Processing	340,982
Information Technology	1,131,861
Constable	240,845
Dog Control	720,665
<b><u>Planning &amp; Zoning</u></b>	<b>1,267,923</b>
<b><u>Paramedics</u></b>	<b>13,137,115</b>
<b><u>Emergency Preparedness</u></b>	
Administration	478,060
Emergency Operations	2,017,436
Communication Systems	462,864
Local Emergency Planning Committee	80,640

	<b>Amount Year Ending <u>June 30, 2014</u></b>
<b><u>Engineering</u></b>	
Administration	\$1,359,323
Public Works	554,441
<b><u>Library</u></b>	
Administration	620,153
Facilities	1,829,573
Local Libraries	1,434,874
<b><u>Economic Development</u></b>	
Economic Development	109,691
Security	475,712
Airpark	499,440
<b><u>Community Development</u></b>	<b>2,100,243</b>
<b><u>Grant-in-aid</u></b>	<b>7,329,615</b>
<b><u>Constitutional Offices</u></b>	
Marriage Bureau	165,415
Recorder of Deeds	1,125,127
Register of Wills	481,485
Sheriff	630,942
<b><u>Other Financing Sources</u></b>	
Transfers out	500,000
Reserved for Contingencies	2,400,000
<b><u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u></b>	<b><u>\$50,136,848</u></b>

**Section 3. The Tax Rate, Firemen's Enhancement Funding Program, and Cluster Fees for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2014 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, 2014 is as follows:**

	<b>Amount Year Ending June 30, 2014</b>
<b><u>Revenues:</u></b>	
Appropriated Reserves	\$ 5,279,770
Federal Aviation Grant	2,803,500
Investment Income	14,000
Interfund Transfer	500,000
State of Delaware Grant – Aviation	155,750
State of Delaware Grant – Bond Bill	1,000,000
State of Delaware Grant - Paramedic	<u>120,000</u>
<b><u>Total Revenues</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 9,873,020</u></b>
<b><u>Expenditures:</u></b>	
<b>Administrative</b>	
Building Improvements	\$ 487,600
ERP System	250,000
IT Data Center	185,000
Other Improvements	28,900
Parking Lot Improvements	120,000
Records Building	114,500
<b>Airpark</b>	
Electrical Improvements	559,500
Land Acquisition	900,000
Pavement Improvements	516,900
Runway 4-22 Extension	3,115,000
Stormwater Improvements	239,250
Terminal Improvements	35,000
Airport Sign	50,000
<b>Engineering</b>	
Woodland Park	250,000
Land Acquisition	375,000
<b>Library</b>	
Greenwood	2,100,000
Milton	96,370
South Coastal	50,000
<b>Paramedic</b>	
Land Acquisition	<u>400,000</u>
<b><u>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 9,873,020</u></b>

**Section 5. The Statement of Enterprise Funds Budget Revenues and Expenditures for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2014 is as follows:**

	<u>Amount Year Ending June 30, 2014</u>
<b><u>Operating Revenues</u></b>	
Finance Charges	\$ 5,400
Holding Tank Fees	237,000
License, Permits, and Review Fees	818,400
Miscellaneous Fees	18,150
Service Charges	18,601,782
<b><u>Non-Operating Revenues</u></b>	
Assessment Charges	9,040,059
Capitalized Ordinance 38 Fees	1,050,000
Connection Charges	2,304,300
Investment Earnings	98,270
Miscellaneous Revenue	219,890
<b><u>Other Financing Sources</u></b>	
Transfers In	85,500
Available Funds	1,137,847
<b><u>TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING</u></b>	<b><u>\$33,616,598</u></b>
<b><u>Expenditures</u></b>	
Administrative Costs	\$ 5,773,125
Operations and Maintenance Costs	11,218,745
Capital Expenditures	2,686,595
Debt Service	<u>13,938,133</u>
<b><u>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</u></b>	<b><u>\$33,616,598</u></b>

**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, after a review of investment results at March 15 of each year.**

**Section 8. This Ordinance shall become effective on July 1, 2013.**

**I DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND CORRECT  
COPY OF ORDINANCE NO. 2309 ADOPTED BY THE SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL  
ADOPTED ON THE 18TH DAY OF JUNE 2013.**

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**