Sussex County Council
Public/Media Packet

MEETING:
AUGUST 14, 2012

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SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

AGENDA

AUGUST 14, 2012

10:00 A.M.

Call to Order

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Minutes

Reading of Correspondence

First State Community Action Agency Presentation

Delaware Bicycle Summit Update

Todd Lawson, County Administrator

1. **Nanticoke Dredge Project Update**

2. **Administrator's Report**

Susan Webb, Finance Director

1. **Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011**

Brad Whaley, Director of Community Development & Housing

1. **Housing Rehab Program**

Grant Requests

1. **Olde Tymers Softball League for operating costs.**

2. **Sussex Tri-Community Coalition for Youth for the Bridgeville Community Block Party.**

3. **Town of Ellendale for the *Back to School Bash* event.**

4. **Delaware Lady Blue Hens Softball Team for travel tournament expenses.**

5. **Ellendale Volunteer Fire Company for a construction of a new substation.**

Introduction of Proposed Zoning Ordinances

Any Additional Business Brought Before Council

Executive Session – Job Applicants′ Qualifications, Personnel, Pending/Potential Litigation, and Land Acquisition pursuant to 29 Del. C. §10004(b)

Possible Action on Executive Session Items

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In accordance with 29 Del. C. §10004(e)(2), this Agenda was posted on August 7, 2012 at 4:20 p.m., at the time it was prepared by the County Administrator and at least seven (7) days in advance of the meeting. This Agenda is subject to change to include the addition or deletion of items, including Executive Sessions, which arise at the time of the Meeting.

Agenda items listed may be considered out of sequence.

SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL - GEORGETOWN, DELAWARE, AUGUST 7, 2012

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Sussex County Council was held on Tuesday, August 7, 2012, at 1:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers, Sussex County Administrative Office Building, Georgetown, Delaware, with the following present:

Michael H. Vincent	**President**
Samuel R. Wilson, Jr.	**Vice President**
George B. Cole	**Councilman**
Joan R. Deaver	**Councilwoman**
Vance Phillips	**Councilman**
Todd F. Lawson	**County Administrator**
Susan M. Webb	**Finance Director**
Everett Moore	**County Attorney**

The Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance were led by Mr. Vincent.

Call to Order

Mr. Vincent called the meeting to order.

M 418 12 Amend and Approve Agenda

A Motion was made by Mrs. Deaver, seconded by Mr. Wilson, to amend the Agenda by deleting "Executive Session - Job Applicants' Qualifications, Personnel, Pending/Potential Litigation, and Land Acquisition" and "Possible Action on Executive Session Items"; and to approve the Agenda, as amended.

Motion Adopted: 4 Yeas, 1 Absent.

Vote by Roll Call: Mrs. Deaver, Yea; Mr. Cole, Absent; Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Wilson, Yea; Mr. Vincent, Yea

Minutes

The minutes of July 31, 2012 were approved by consent.

Corre-spondence

Mrs. Deaver reported that she recently received a complaint about crop dusters and she stated for the record that constituents with a complaint about crop dusters should get the number of the plane and report it to the FAA.

Mr. Cole joined the meeting.

Adminis-trator's Report

Mr. Lawson read the following information in his Administrator's Report:

1. <u>Sussex County Emergency Operations Center Call Statistics – July</u>

Attached please find the call statistics for the Fire and Ambulance Callboard for July 2012. There were 18,565 calls handled in the

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month of July. Of those 9-1-1 calls in July, 79 percent were made from wireless phones.

[Attachments to the Administrator's Report are not attachments to the minutes.]

Sussex County History Book Update/ Change in Fiduciary Agent

Dan Parsons, Historic Planner, reported on the Sussex County History Book project. He stated that they have been selecting 50 sites throughout the County and they have completed the map; the University of Delaware is working on the text (writing about the sites). Mr. Parsons stated that they plan to begin fundraising efforts to pay for the publication.

Mrs. Webb stated that in July 2010, the Council agreed to serve as the Fiduciary Agent for the development of the book. At that time, a donation was received from Southern Delaware Tourism. Since then, there have been no expenses and no additional donations. Mrs. Webb stated that, given the nature of the project and in the best interests of the project, it would be better if it is administrated out of the Delaware Community Foundation as it is a philanthropic organization.

M 419 12 Change Fiduciary Agent for Sussex County History Book

A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mrs. Deaver, that Sussex County will no longer serve as Fiduciary Agent for the development of the Sussex County History Book in collaboration with the University of Delaware, Preservation Delaware, Inc., and Delaware Heritage Commission; this project will now be administered by the Delaware Community Foundation.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yeas.

Vote by Roll Call: Mrs. Deaver, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea; Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Wilson, Yea; Mr. Vincent, Yea

Grant Requests

Mrs. Webb presented grant requests for the Council's consideration.

M 420 12 Community Grant

A Motion was made by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Cole, to give $1,000.00 from Mr. Phillips' Community Grant Account to the Millsboro Little League for travel expenses.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yeas.

Vote by Roll Call: Mrs. Deaver, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea; Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Wilson, Yea; Mr. Vincent, Yea

M 421 12 Community Grant

A Motion was made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Phillips, to give $1,000.00 from Mr. Cole's Community Grant Account to the City of Rehoboth Beach for expenses associated with the Delaware State Marching Band performance.

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M 421 12 (continued)

Motion Adopted: **5 Yeas.**

Vote by Roll Call: **Mrs. Deaver, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea; Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Wilson, Yea; Mr. Vincent, Yea**

M 422 12 Community Grant

A Motion was made by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Cole, to give $500.00 ($375.00 from Mr. Wilson's Community Grant Account and $125.00 from Mr. Phillips' Community Grant Account) to the New Coverdale Outreach Mission for supplies for school children.

Motion Adopted: **5 Yeas.**

Vote by Roll Call: **Mrs. Deaver, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea; Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Wilson, Yea; Mr. Vincent, Yea**

Introduction of Proposed Ordinances

Mr. Vincent introduced the Proposed Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE TO GRANT A CONDITIONAL USE OF LAND IN AN AR-1 AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT FOR A SMALL STORAGE FACILITY TO BE LOCATED ON A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN BROAD CREEK HUNDRED, SUSSEX COUNTY, CONTAINING 14,964 SQUARE FEET, MORE OR LESS" (Conditional Use No. 1945) filed on behalf of Alfanso Matos.

Mrs. Deaver introduced the Proposed Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING MAP OF SUSSEX COUNTY FROM AN AR-1 AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO A GR-RPC GENERAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT – RESIDENTIAL PLANNED COMMUNITY FOR A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN BROADKILL HUNDRED, SUSSEX COUNTY, CONTAINING 154.90 ACRES, MORE OR LESS" (Change of Zone No. 1721) filed on behalf of Captain's Way Development, LLC.

The Proposed Ordinances will be advertised for Public Hearing.

Additional Business

Under Additional Business, John Betts of Georgetown stated that he was present as a voice for concerned citizens in Sussex County who want to express their opinion about the issue of prayer and the court case the County is involved in.

Mr. Betts read the following statement into the record: "We, as American Citizens of this County, believe in what our Founding Fathers left to us as a pattern for governmental deliberations that was established in the Continental Congress. From that time, Legislative Sessions have been opened in prayer. In these Chambers, your practice has been the same as our Founding Fathers. When a people forget their Fathers, they do not know who they are anymore. We commend the County Council for standing in the tradition of our Fathers. All across this land, there has been a concerted effort to erase the memory of

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who we really are. Your stand in protecting these memories and practices are commendable. We urge you to continue to resist this attempt to forget who we are. We support you and your efforts to maintain our identity as a nation *One Nation Under God.*"

Mr. Betts reported that over 300 statements were received; the statement read as follows: "I am a resident of Sussex County and this is to show that I am in support of the Sussex County Council keeping the Lord's Prayer as the way to open each and every Council Session. God bless the men and women of our Council." Mr. Betts presented the 300 statements to the Council.

Dan Kramer of Greenwood commented on the Council's grant on this date to New Coverdale Outreach Mission.

M 423 12 Recess

At 1:16 p.m., a Motion was made by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Wilson, to recess until 1:30 p.m.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yeas.

Vote by Roll Call: Mrs. Deaver, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea; Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Wilson, Yea; Mr. Vincent, Yea

M 424 12 Reconvene

At 1:32 p.m., a Motion was made by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Phillips, to reconvene.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yeas.

Vote by Roll Call: Mrs. Deaver, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea; Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Wilson, Yea; Mr. Vincent, Yea

Public Hearing/ C/U No. 1932

A Public Hearing was held on the Proposed Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE TO GRANT A CONDITIONAL USE OF LAND IN A GR GENERAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT FOR AN AUTOMOTIVE SALES LOT TO BE LOCATED ON A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN INDIAN RIVER HUNDRED, SUSSEX COUNTY, CONTAINING 27,250 SQUARE FEET, MORE OR LESS" (Conditional Use No. 1932) filed on behalf of Tanya A. Gibbs and Kimwuan L. Gibbs.

Lawrence Lank, Director of Planning and Zoning, reported that the Planning and Zoning Commission held a Public Hearing on this application on July 12, 2012 at which time action was deferred.

See the minutes of the Planning and Zoning Commission dated July 12, 2012.

Mr. Lank reported that, following the Commission's Public Hearing, a letter was received from the Sussex Conservation District regarding soil

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Public Hearing/ C/U No. 1932 (continued)

types.

Mr. Lank read a summary of the Commission's Public Hearing.

The Council found that Tanya Gibbs was present and she stated in her presentation and in response to questions raised by the Council that her and her husband are proposing to sell used cars for additional income; that the Department of Motor Vehicles requires a dealer's license if a person sells more than 4 vehicles per year; that they propose to have 3 vehicles for sale on the property at a time; that the vehicles will not be displayed in the front of the property but will be parked at the rear of the property; that they propose to sell the cars via Craig's List, word of mouth, publications, etc.; that the nearest Conditional Use business is Coastal Towing and car sales; that she operates a day care in her home and that the car sales will not interfere with the day care business since they anticipate most of the car sales will occur on Saturdays when her husband is available; and that there will be no auto repairs performed on the site.

There were no public comments in support of the application.

Public comments were heard in opposition to the application. Henry Glowiak of Lewes stated that he is not necessarily opposed to the application; however, he has concerns about the use setting a precedent; about the commercialization of Route 23; and about additional traffic on Beaver Dam Road, which is an alternate to Route 24.

There were no additional public comments and the Public Hearing and public record were closed.

M 425 12 Defer Action on C/U No. 1932

A Motion was made by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mrs. Deaver, to defer action on Conditional Use No. 1932, filed on behalf of Tanya A. and Kimwuan L. Gibbs.

Motion Adopted: 5 Yeas.

Vote by Roll Call: Mrs. Deaver, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea; Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Wilson, Yea; Mr. Vincent, Yea

Public Hearing/ C/Z No. 1718

A Public Hearing was held on the Proposed Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING MAP OF SUSSEX COUNTY FROM AN AR-1 AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO A CR-1 COMMERCIAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT FOR A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN BROADKILL HUNDRED, SUSSEX COUNTY, CONTAINING 8.53 ACRES, MORE OR LESS" (Change of Zone No. 1718) filed on behalf of Gary L. Hudson, Trustee.

Lawrence Lank, Director of Planning and Zoning, reported that the Planning and Zoning Commission held a Public Hearing on this application

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Public Hearing/ C/Z No. 1718 (continued)

on July 12, 2012 at which time the Commission recommended that the application be approved.

See the minutes of the Planning and Zoning Commission dated July 12, 2012.

Mr. Lank reported that, following the Commission's Public Hearing, a letter was received from the Sussex Conservation District regarding soil types.

Mr. Lank read a summary of the Commission's Public Hearing.

Mr. Lank distributed Exhibit Booklets submitted by the Applicant.

The Council found that Gary L. Hudson was present with Shannon Carmean, Attorney with Sergovic, Carmean and Weidman, P.A. and Ken Christenbury, P.E. of Axiom Engineering, LLC. They stated in their presentation and in response to questions raised by the Council that the site contains two shops and a dwelling; that the shop along Route 9 has been used commercially for years for auto repair and service with some automotive sales; that the site is sandwiched between commercial sites and some conditional uses along Route 9 in the Harbeson area; that the site is located in a Developing Area according to the County's Comprehensive Land Use Plan (Plan); that DelDOT did not require a Traffic Impact Study for the current uses; that the Exhibit Booklet contains four letters in support of the application from area landowners; that they have applied for rezoning so that the non-conforming uses can be expanded; that the Applicant intends to continue to operate the 5,000 square foot automotive care center, and eight mini-storage units; that the Plan references that (1) Developing Areas are often located near main arterial roads that connect major destinations within the County, (2) permitted uses in Developing Areas include a range of housing types, and (3) commercial uses should be allowed; that a variety of office uses would be appropriate in many areas; that portions of the Developing Areas with good rural access and few nearby homes should allow for business and industrial parks; that careful mixtures of homes with light commercial and industrial uses can be appropriate to provide for convenient services and to allow people to work close to home; that the rezoning of this property is appropriate and compatible with the goals and directions so of the Developing Area; that rezoning will provide compatibility with neighboring uses which include a wide range of zoning classifications from commercial, industrial, and residential to Conditional Use for a regional water facility; that this amendment should have no adverse or detrimental impact on neighboring areas or uses; that rezoning of this property is appropriate legislative action; that the property is served by Route 9, a major arterial road which connects major destinations within the County; that DelDOT determined that there will be minimal, if any, impact on traffic as the proposed use would not generate more than 400 trips per day or 50 trips during any peak hour; that the rezoning will also provide a mixture of residential and light commercial uses which are appropriate in Developing Areas and provide for convenient

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services, and will allow residents to work close to home; that the shop building along Route 9 has existed since the 1940's and the storage building to the rear was built in the 1970's for personal storage use.

Mrs. Deaver commented that she received a letter from Mrs. Foulkes in opposition to the application. (The letter was not submitted into the record.)

Mr. Lank noted that Mrs. Foulkes was in the audience but left prior to the public comment period on this application.

There were no public comments and the Public Hearing and public record were closed.

M 426 12 Adopt Ordinance No. 2273/ C/Z No. 1718

A Motion was made by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mrs. Deaver, to adopt Ordinance No. 2273 entitled "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING MAP OF SUSSEX COUNTY FROM AN AR-1 AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO A CR-1 COMMERCIAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT FOR A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN BROADKILL HUNDRED, SUSSEX COUNTY, CONTAINING 8.53 ACRES, MORE OR LESS" (Change of Zone No. 1718) filed on behalf of Gary L. Hudson, Trustee.

Motion Adopted: **5 Yeas.**

Vote by Roll Call: **Mrs. Deaver, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea; Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Wilson, Yea; Mr. Vincent, Yea**

M 427 12 Adjourn

A Motion was made by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Phillips, to adjourn at 2:04 p.m.

Motion Adopted: **5 Yeas.**

Vote by Roll Call: **Mrs. Deaver, Yea; Mr. Cole, Yea; Mr. Phillips, Yea; Mr. Wilson, Yea; Mr. Vincent, Yea**

Respectfully submitted,

Robin A. Griffith
Clerk of the Council

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SUSAN M. WEBB, CPA
FINANCE DIRECTOR

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MEMORANDUM:

TO: Sussex County Council
The Honorable Michael H. Vincent, President
The Honorable Samuel R. Wilson, Jr., Vice President
The Honorable George B. Cole
The Honorable Vance Phillips
The Honorable Joan R. Deaver

FROM: Susan M. Webb, CPA
Finance Director

RE: ***CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR EXCELLENCE IN FINANCIAL REPORTING***

DATE: August 10, 2012

I am pleased to announce that the Sussex County Government has been awarded, for the tenth consecutive year, the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association. This award is the highest form of recognition in governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management. It reflects the culmination of the efforts of many County employees involved in preparing the annual financial report, our auditors, and our staff who on a day-to-day basis ensure that County finances remain strong. Gina Jennings, Kathy Roth, Jeff James, and the Accounting Division deserve special thanks for their extra efforts in achieving this award.

SMW/nc

xc: Mr. Todd F. Lawson

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MEMORANDUM

To: Sussex County Council
The Honorable Michael H. Vincent, President
The Honorable Sam R. Wilson, Jr., Vice President
The Honorable George B. Cole
The Honorable Vance Phillips
The Honorable Joan R. Deaver

Todd Lawson, County Administrator

From: Brad D. Whaley, Director

RE: **DEPARTMENT UPDATE**

Date: August 9, 2012

Recently, our department completed the final quarterly report for the closeout of FY 2011 (July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME funding. The quarterly report presents a snapshot of the program year as it relates to demographics.

In FY 11, our department received $833,000 in CDBG funding, $200,000 in HOME funding, $60,000 in County Council funding, and $20,000 in Housing Preservation (HPG) funding. The specific areas throughout Sussex County targeted by this funding include: Town of Delmar, Town of Ellendale, Town of Laurel, Town of Seaford, and Town of Milford, Rural Ellendale, Lincoln/GreenTop, and Rural Dagsboro/Millsboro. We also receive funding for scattered-sites rehabilitation and water/sewer hook ups.

With CDBG, Home, HPG, and County Council Rehab funding our office reported:

- ***143 Sussex County households assisted (270 residents)***
  - ***93 elderly households***
  - ***71 disabled households***
  - ***115 households had incomes below $24,000 per year (<50% of AMI)***
  - ***50% (or 136 individuals) were minorities***

The County Council allotted $60,000 for housing rehabilitation. The breakdown of that funding is as follows:

- ***12 Sussex County households assisted (15 residents)***
    - ***9 elderly households***
    - ***5 disabled households***
    - ***All 12 households had incomes below $24,000 per year (<50% of AMI)***
    - ***40% (or 6 individuals) were minorities***
- ***Remodel and Update the bathrooms at the Coverdale Community Center***
    - ***The Community Center is where children in the community participate in after school programs and activities***
- ***Replace the roof on the back of the Coverdale Community Center***

July 1st began our new fiscal year for funding. This year, we have received $797,790 in CDBG funding, $200,000 in HOME funding, and are awaiting confirmation on applied HPG funding. The County Council graciously allotted $70,000 for housing rehabilitation. The areas targeted include: Town of Bridgeville, Town of Milton, Town of Selbyville, Town of Georgetown (infrastructure), Cool Spring, Mount Joy, Coverdale Crossroads, and scattered-sites rehabilitation and water/sewer hookups.

Thank you again for your continued support of our office.

Olde Tymers Softball League

Todd Lawson
County Administration
Georgetown, DE

Dear Mr. Lawson,

Our Sussex County Senior Softball League reserved for players 55 years of age or over, has been in existence since 1998. Our league now has over 170 ball players. Thoroughly enjoying the game they played so many years ago. Due to the non-availability of playing fields in Sussex County, we have been forced to build our own fields. The Church of Christ in Dagsboro offered land to construct two fields. Today, we have ten teams playing there every Tuesday and Thursday starting at 9:00am. We would not have been so successful without the generosity of county council and area merchants.

Funds received from these sources go directly to league operations which include field maintenance, insurance and softball equipment. Some of our funds go to pay for players' membership fees that are unable to pay. In addition to our league, the boys and girls clubs use these facilities.

The County Council has been most generous providing funds for our leagues operation. We sincerely hope that your assistance will continue. We are getting close to inviting our rich Northern county teams to play on our fields. We invite you to our facility to see first hand where your contribution has been used. You will agree that this is a very worthwhile endeavor for Sussex County Senior Citizens.

I have attached pictures of what we have accomplished from scratch to a viable playing field. I can be reached at (302) 226-8381 should you need further information.

Sincerely,
Archie Alexander
Archie Alexander

Cc: members of the County Council

Mr. Vincent:
The seniors certainly appreciate what the county has provided to our league.
I hope it continues
Sincerely
Archie Alexander

Sussex Tri-Community Coalition for Youth

August 3, 2012

EIN # 26-2290286

Dear Mr. Vincent:

Mission:

Sussex Tri- Community Coalition for youth is a non-profit community based organization that proposes an educational program for at risk youths ages 13-19 about the consequences of risky behaviors. The project encourages youth participation in a Strategic Prevention Framework, researched based *Community That Cares* initiative prevention survey that tracks teen use of harmful substances such as alcohol, tobacco and other drugs. In addition, the survey provides a baseline for teen participation in, perception of, and attitudes toward both pro social and anti social behavior at the peer, school, family and community levels. It provides a measurable level of risk and protective factors that influence behavior, attitudes, and opinions of Delaware's teens.

Goal:

This ministry is to challenge, train, and disciple young people through drama, community involvement activities by exposing them to local and statewide activities. This program is to address the increasing problems of teen pregnancy, alcohol, tobacco and other drug use/abuse and violence in the community.

1. Establish a broad based, coordinated body of community-based program that provide prevention services and activities;
2. Provide holistic wellness prevention services which shape the leisure time of youth, sharpen their drug/alcohol resistance and conflict resolution skills, strengthen relationships with their families and increase the positive bonding of youth with their peers, schools and community;
3. Strengthen and support family relationships
4. Mobile and empower communities to identify and address their own prevention needs and encourage intentional partnerships with the educational system, juvenile justice system, truancy, police departments, volunteer groups, youth groups, religious institutions and community leaders and organizations.

Event: Bridgeville Community Block Party- Theme is "Family Meal Time- A Place to Meet"

Sussex Tri-Community Coalition for Youth is planning our first annual community gathering. Our local youth groups will participate in the block party in order to perform community service.

The event will benefit the community in general by bring people together, young and old, to have fun, and learn ways to keep our children active, safe and healthy. Our objective for this event is to gather the community in one location for information on resources in the area and how to access them. We are partnering with agencies and organizations providing information and insight on community resources, mental health, medical, transportation issues, housing,

counseling, foreclosure and many other issues that our community is facing today. Our focus is on bringing our ethnic community Hispanic, African American, and Caucasians together. Many of whom are elderly raising grandchildren and or individuals that are employed and availability to get off from work is not always an option.

We have included some fun activities so that the entire family can access this event together and eliminate childcare issues.

Bringing the Resource Fair to the community is our commitment to ensuring that awareness, access and availability is there for their needs.

Admission to the Community Block Party is free and so are all of the activities. There will not be any vendors.

Woodridge School has donated to us the Phyllis Wheatley School grounds and gym. Local youth will take the stage with singing, dancing along with having basketball and soccer tournaments running all day. Adopt a pet, field games, and fun, fun, fun. Many business and community leaders are on board as well as hundreds of individuals. Our community is clearly excited and eager to see this project succeed. You can be a part of that excitement by supporting our youth with a donation.

We are expecting around 300 individuals as this will be an all day event. Rapa Scrapple is donating for the morning session.

We are happy to acknowledge your donation at out event, (unless you prefer otherwise). The event date is August 25, 2012.

I would like to thank you for considering this opportunity to partnership with our organization for community safety, awareness and resources. If you have any queries regarding our organization, our fund management policy or the project itself, please feel free to contact me at the address below or sharoneyezs@verizon.net

Thank you,
Sharon Smack-Director
Sussex Tri-Community Coalition for Youth
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(Cell)302-727-1649

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Rep. Joan Deaver

The Town of Ellendale in conjunction with area churches and participating area people and businesses will hold it's first "Back to School Bash" on Saturday August 25, 2012 from 12pm to 4pm. This event is new and is still growing in popularity. We want this to be something to grow bigger and better every year. The Town wanted to do something for its children to bring awareness, education, fun, and community relations in our town and surrounding areas and hopefully give some much needed financial relief to parents struggling in this economy.

The Town is just getting back on its feet with its financial situation, so we are seeking funding and donations to help offset the cost to the Town. We are writing you as a local legislator, who we thought may be able to help us with a generous donation. Anything you can donate would be greatly appreciated and welcomed by the Town. The Town would advertise that you were one of the donating sponsors that made this event possible. Also want to give you the opportunity to participate at the bash by speaking, attending reaching out to local voters, or even participating in the Talent Show we will be having.

We are asking each church to advertise this event in their church, give a donation to benefit their community, and definitely participate that day.

If you have any further questions or concerns, please contact Ms. Juanita Gill at 344-3686 or Sherita Perry at 381-0643. These wonderful ladies have agreed to take charge of this event for me. If you need to speak to me personally, I can be reached at 519-1113.

Thank you for your continued support,

Kim Hughes

Kim Hughes
Mayor

August 6, 2012

Sussex County Council
P.O. Box 589
Georgetown, DE 19947

RE: Request for Funding

Dear Honorable Council Members,

The Delaware Lady Blue Hens 14U Fastpitch travel softball team is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization for young ladies from throughout Sussex County. The young ladies on this team are 13 and 14 years old. This is a third year team but their first at the 14U level that will play in travel tournaments from September 2012 through July 2013.

The parents of these young ladies have invested a substantial amount of money to play in tournaments, pay for uniforms, equipment, hotel rooms and private lessons. Tournament fees range from $450.00 to $550.00 per tournament. During the 2011/2012 season, the team played in nine tournaments. These tournaments were located in Delaware, Maryland and Virginia. These young ladies are a dedicated group of individuals who have become a team through practice and hard work both on the softball diamond and in the classroom at their respective schools.

This is a request for funding to help off set expenses. Any amount considered by the Council will be greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

On behalf of these young ladies, we thank you for your past support and for any future contributions.

Respectfully,

Delaware Lady Blue Hens 14U Fastpitch Softball Team Coaching Staff

Shane Abbott

Shane Abbott	Colleen Reed	Matt Rafail	Chris Walls
Manager	Coach	Coach	Coach
Bridgeville, DE	Milton, DE	Milford, DE	Laurel, DE

ELLENDALE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY, INC.
302 MAIN STREET
ELLENDALE, DE 19941

Dear Sir or Madam,

The Ellendale Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. is in need of your support to raise funds for our new upcoming substation that we plan to start building in 2011 on North Old State Road in Lincoln. We need to raise a million dollars for this building. Therefore, we are asking for donations of $1000, $250 or any other amount. Your donation will help us achieve our goal for this fundraiser.

Your generous donation will be publicly acknowledged through the beautiful "Partners in Progress" tree plaque that will be proudly displayed on the wall of our new substation. We feel that you or your business will benefit from the community goodwill generated by your kind donation to the Ellendale Volunteer Fire Company, Inc.

Enclosed you will see a picture of the projected idea for the tree.
For a **$1000 donation or greater**, you will have your own beautifully made individual plaque on the wall.
For a **$250 donation**, you will receive your name, business or in memory of plaque on the tree.
If you can not afford or do not wish to contribute the above amount, then we will gladly accept any amount you give us. All donations are tax deductible and tax receipt is available per request.

Thank you for your consideration of our request, and we look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Sincerely,

Jay Jones/LH

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President
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