



Eyes on County Council – April 28, 2026

Highlight Events – Upcoming Events:

- The 2027 Budget Workshop will be held May 5th at 9am at the Sussex County Public Safety Complex, 21911 Rudder Lane in Georgetown (airport near Arena's). There will be no regular Council meeting on May 5th. This public presentation will discuss the financial budget for the county for the tax period July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027. These are links to the prior year financial results for relevant information and the agenda: [FY2025 ACFR.pdf](#) [PAFR 2025_050526 Budget Workshop.pdf](#)
We urge the public to attend to learn about the county's financial activities and condition. See where your tax dollars are spent!
- A Route 9 Corridor Workshop will be held Tuesday May 12 at 5pm at the Cheer Center in Georgetown.
- At the May 19th County Council meeting several new ordinances will be reviewed and open for public comments.

Public Comments:

- None.

Presentations:

- **Mark Parker, Assistant County Engineer** – request for approval of vendor contracts for an enterprise solution for asset management, permitting and other work flows. An exhaustive search process was initiated in 2024 interviewing eight vendors. The system will enhance productivity and efficiency. The cost will be approximately \$1.4 million. Council approved 5-0.
- **Paul Mauser, Assistant County Engineer** – request for approval of \$227,609 for equipment (spray irrigation replacements) at the Wolfe Neck Regional Wastewater Facility. Council approved 5-0.

Grant Requests:

- Multiple grants approved – House of David Milford DE, American Youth Football (Woodbridge), Greater Lewes Community Village, Little League Baseball (Woodbridge), Community Resource Center, Inc., Harry K Foundation, Town of Blades Police Department, Western Sussex Chamber of Commerce, Nanticoke Little League.

Public Hearings:

- **Conditional Use #2554 filed on behalf of E.Johnson Holdings, LLC:** Brenton and Russell Archut requested a CU to build a facility for commercial storage, mainly, for contractors and their equipment on about a third of a 12.05 acre parcel located in a rural area in Millville. Equipment

would all be stored inside. Fencing would surround the area. Grunebaum questioned if any forest would be impacted and they answered no. Council voted 5-0 to defer as P&Z had not yet finalized their recommendation. Once that occurs the matter will go back to Council for their decision.

- **Conditional Use #2555 filed on behalf of Bittersweet Investments:** Same individuals requested a CU on a large parcel adjacent to the one above to build a 1,600 sq. ft. two unit office building and to use an existing barn for storage. As with CU #2554, P&Z still needs to file their recommendation. Therefore, Council voted 5-0 to defer.

Council Meeting Upcoming Schedule: Tuesdays – check agenda for timing and location

- No council meeting on May 5th – 2027 Budget Workshop will be held May 5th at 9am at the Sussex County Public Safety Complex, 21911 Rudder Lane in Georgetown (airport near Arena's). [050526 Budget Workshop.pdf](#)
- Future meetings: May 12 and May 19

Council Meeting Broadcast

- [County Council Meeting - April 28, 2026 \(1:00pm Start Time\)](#)

Related Articles:

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