

Elsinboro Township

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(856) 935-2200

Important Information

Township Committee

Sean Elwell, Mayor

Jack Elk, Deputy Mayor

Douglas Hogate, Committeeman

Office Hours

Township Clerk:

Tuesdays: 9:00-6:00

Fridays: 9:00-12:00

Tax Office:

Mondays: 12:00-6:00

Wednesdays: 12:00-6:00

Construction Office:

Thursdays: 4:30-6:00

Community Day

On Saturday, May 3rd the Community Development Committee held its Fourth Annual Elsinboro Township Community Day. The day was filled with vendors, exhibitors, and fun for the whole family!

Thank you to the entire Community Development Committee for all of your hard work! The day was only successful because of your efforts.

Township Website

We continue to make changes and update our website. Please check back frequently.

Just Added: Recycling
Calendar

IMPORTANT PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

Over the past several weeks there have been many questions and conversations in reference to a beachfront replenishment project.

Please join the Army Corps of Engineers, NJ DEP, and NJ Attorney General's Office on **Monday, June 16th at 700 PM** at the **Elsinboro School** for a project update. Please contact the township clerk, 935-2200, with any questions.

Oakwood Beach Update

As previously shared, the Oakwood Beach project was initiated in 1996, with a feasibility study being completed in 1999. The project was authorized by Congress as part of the Water Resources Development Act.

As a result of Hurricane Sandy, the Disaster Relief Appropriations Act was signed in January 2013. The Oakwood Beach project was deemed to be eligible for the act by FEMA, and federal funding was subsequently allocated for the project.

Two public meetings have been held over the last few months to update residents on the current project status. These meetings were held on October 12th and November 13th. Copies of both presentations are available on the township website. During these meetings the history of the project and project design was discussed. Representatives from the Army Corps of Engineers, as well as the NJ DEP were also present to offer additional information. During these public meetings, the DEP announced that if this project moves forward there will be no local cost share.

The State of New Jersey has revised the easements to include only the area where the project limit line crosses the individual's property line. These easements were sent to property owners in which an easement is needed for the project.

A public meeting will be held on Monday, June 16th at 700 PM with the Army Corps of Engineers, NJ DEP, and NJ Attorney General's Office to answer questions.

Bike to School Day

On May 16th, students in Elsinboro School joined Mayor Elwell for the second annual Bike to School with the Mayor Day. Participants biked to school, while escorted by the Mayor, police department and fire company. The goal of the annual initiative is to promote activity and encourage safe riding habits. The helmets of all participants were checked for correct fit and reflectors were provided.

Special thank you to the Elsinboro Fire Company, LAC Police Department, and Salem County Sheriff's Department for their assistance in keeping all participants safe during the event!

Mayor's Honors Luncheon

June 5th marked the 25th annual Mayors Honors Luncheon. The annual event was created by Mayor Jack Elk and has been continued by Mayor Elwell. The program is designed to recognize students who have achieved academic success throughout the year and recognize students for their hard work. Congratulations to all those in attendance.



Parking Lot

The Township Committee finalized a capital ordinance during their June meeting to repave the municipal building parking lot. The winter took a toll on the lot.

In an effort to reduce costs, the committee entered into a shared service with Salem County for the work to be completed.

Shadowing Program

For the second year in a row, the mayor and township committee partnered with the Elsinboro School 2nd grade class to teach students about government. Although the snow delayed the annual shadowing program, on Monday, May 5th, the entire second grade class took a field trip to the municipal building to meet with Mayor Elwell. There they were given an overview of Elsinboro History and how various services function within the township. In addition, the elected members of the class were able to appoint classmates into honorary positions. The field trip concluded with the class learning about the budget process, and creating their own budget

Reminder

Dumping of any items on another property is considered illegal and action can be taken. Please report illegal dumping to the LAC Police Department, 935-7300.

Questions about property maintenance should be directed to the township zoning officer.

Your Opinion Matters

Feedback is important. We are always eager to hear your thoughts.

Please reach out to us by email, sean@seanelwell.com or by phone, 935-2200 to give us your suggestions and feedback.

Sustainable Jersey Corner

Cut it and Leave it...

Grass clippings are a major part of New Jersey's municipal solid waste stream. You are already doing your part by recycling. You can do even more by reducing waste at the source. Leave the grass clippings on your lawn when you mow, and let nature do the recycling. Grass clippings provide a natural and healthy fertilizer for a growing lawn. Will thatch be a problem? NO. Thatch is formed from the accumulation of dead roots and stems, not grass clippings. The more you fertilize and water your lawn, the faster it grows and the faster thatch accumulates.

Anti-Idling

New Jersey has had a no-idling regulation for diesel-fueled commercial vehicles since 1972. This law was updated in 2009 to include a provision that states that, with limited exceptions, *no* motor vehicle (diesel or gasoline fueled) may have its engine running if motionless for more than three consecutive minutes. A car is idling when the engine is turned on but the vehicle is not in motion. This practice is not only unnecessary, but also is harmful to the environment and our health.

NJ Clean Energy Programs

New Jersey's Clean Energy Program is a statewide program that offers financial incentives, programs and services for New Jersey residents, business owners and local governments to help them save energy, money and the environment.

www.njcleanenergy.com



Message from the Public Safety Director

The Police Department would like to warn residents that telemarketing frauds and scams are common in our township. Nearly everyone has received or has heard of someone receiving a scam telephone call. The caller will either attempt to have you send money or provide personal information resulting in identity theft. The best method of handling such calls is to simply hang up. Do not send money. Do not provide ANY personal information, and do not agree to a meeting.

Unfortunately, the scammers occasionally find a soft target. Someone who is allured by the promise of an award or prize and will

send money for such things postage, handling fees, taxes, or other charges. Some of our residents have already been victimized.

The FBI has excellent on line material available to help:
www.fbi.gov/scams-safety/fraud

The Police Department also has copies of a 6 page report from the FBI if you don't have internet. Stop in and pick one up. Don't let this happen to you.



Heat Exhaustion

With warmer weather beginning to reach the area it is important to protect ourselves from heat related illnesses. Heat exhaustion occurs when a person exercises or works in a hot environment and sweating cannot dissipate the heat generated within the body. Signs and symptoms of heat exhaustion often begin suddenly, sometimes after excessive exercise, heavy perspiration, and inadequate fluid or salt intake.

Signs and symptoms resemble those of shock and may include: Feeling faint or dizzy, Nausea, Heavy sweating, Rapid, weak heartbeat, Low blood pressure, Cool, moist, pale skin, Low-grade fever, Heat cramps,

If you suspect heat exhaustion:

- *Get the person out of the sun and into a shady or air-conditioned location.
- *Lay the person down and elevate the legs and feet slightly.
- *Loosen or remove the person's clothing.
- *Have the person drink cool water or other nonalcoholic beverage without caffeine.
- *Cool the person by spraying or sponging with cool water and fanning.
- *Monitor the person carefully. Heat exhaustion can quickly become heatstroke.