

Elsinboro Township

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Important Information

Township Committee

Sean Elwell, Mayor

Jack Elk, Deputy Mayor

Jeff Stepler, Committeeman

Office Hours

Township Clerk:

Tuesdays: 1:00-6:00

Fridays: 8:30-3:00

Tax Office:

Mondays: 12:00-6:00

Wednesdays: 12:00-6:00

Construction Office:

Thursdays: 4:30-6:00

Upcoming Events

Township Committee

Meeting Dates:

10/7/13- 7:00 PM

11/4/13-7:00 PM

Community Day

On Saturday, May 4th the Community Development Committee held its Third Annual Elsinboro Township Community Day.

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

www.ElsinboroTownship.com

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 Elsinboro Township Committee on **Saturday, October 12th at 0900 AM** at the **Elsinboro School** for a project update.

Sustainable Jersey Grant

Sustainable Jersey representatives announced that Elsinboro Township has been awarded a Sustainable Jersey Capacity-Building Grant. The \$2,000 grants are intended to assist community Green Teams as they lead and coordinate the sustainability activities of their community.

The 2013 Sustainable Jersey Small Grants Program funded by Walmart is providing \$380,000 in grants to local governments for sustainability projects.

A core element of the Sustainable Jersey program is to direct funding and resources to municipalities to aid them in making progress. Currently, 70 percent of New Jersey's towns and cities (398 towns across all 21 counties) have registered to become Sustainable Jersey certified.

The grant funding will be used to implement several new community initiatives, which will be shared in the near future.

Congratulations!

Clean Communities

On Saturday, September 28th, community groups gathered to participate in the annual clean communities program in Elsinboro Township. The annual event is made possible through New Jersey Clean Communities Grant Funding.

Thank you to all of the community groups that gathered to clean up the township roads.



Bike to School Day

On May 8th, students in Elsinboro School joined Mayor Elwell on National Bike to School 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 and LAC Police Department for their assistance in keeping all participants safe during the event!

Mayor's Honors Luncheon

June 6th marked the 24th 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.



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.

Garden Drive

Elsinboro Township will receive \$140,000 through the New Jersey Transportation Fund for the reconstruction of Garden Drive. The township will be responsible for covering engineering and miscellaneous costs for the project, estimated at less than \$30,000. The funds will come from capital improvement fund in the municipal budget. According to the township engineer, Garden Drive was originally constructed in 1950, at a cost of \$1500.

Over the last several years, roads in Elsinboro that have gone through construction include Mason Point Road, Riverview Drive, and Slape Avenue. Additionally, the township put in for a new grant to reconstruct South Locust next year.

Did You Know?

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.

Reminder

Dumping of any items on another property is considered illegal and action can be taken.

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

Did You Know?

Elsinboro Township is a participating community in the Sustainable Jersey Program? Elsinboro Township became registered with the program in December 2009 and has been actively working on becoming a certified member. In June of this year our first attempt at certification was completed as the formal application for Elsinboro Township was submitted. Results will be available in late fall.

About Sustainable Jersey

Sustainable Jersey is a certification program for municipalities in New Jersey that want to go green, save money and take steps to sustain their quality of life over the long term. Launched in 2009, we are a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that provides tools, training and financial incentives to support and reward communities as they pursue sustainability programs.

Save money. Get money.

Sustainable Jersey towns and cities implement practices that lead to cost savings in energy, water and garbage bills. The program helps communities improve efficiency, cut waste and stimulate their local economies.



Pride in Elsinboro Awards

The Community Development Committee is proud to introduce the Pride in Elsinboro Awards. On a daily basis residents go above and beyond to ensure their community remains stable, while striving to improve the community. While each community faces unique challenges, the Pride in Elsinboro initiative recognizes those who are committed to bettering their community. The Pride in Elsinboro program, allows us to recognize individuals who continue to promote the values of our municipality, while maintaining a commitment to sustaining our community. Utilize the below nomination form to submit a nominee for one of the below categories. Nominees will be reviewed by the Community Development Committee and an award winner will be selected from each category. Award winners will be announced in December.

Submissions should be made to the municipal clerk by November 9th.

Category (Circle):

- Resident of the Year
- Good Neighbor Award (Resident < 18)
- Good Neighbor Award (Resident > 18)
- Senior Achievement Award (Resident > 60)

Nominee Name: _____

Nominee Address: _____

Reason for Nomination: _____

Additional Information: _____

Nominator Name: _____ Phone: _____

Additional sheets can be used and attached as necessary.