

Street, Woodstown, New Jersey, as its alternate Center pursuant to the direction of the Salem County Office of Emergency Management.

Motion Elk Second Hogate 3 ayes

**RESOLUTION NO. 2017-45
RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ELSINBORO IN SUPPORT OF SALEM
HIGH SCHOOL 5K RAM RUN**

WHEREAS, The Salem High School will hold a 5k run on October 21 at 9:00am, and

WHEREAS, the 5K Ram run will utilize both County of Salem Road and the following road associated within the Township of Elsinboro, S. Tilbury; and

WHEREAS, the individuals responsible for the 5K Ram Run will be providing sufficient traffic control with the assistance of the Salem City Police; and

WHEREAS, the individuals responsible for the 5K Ram Run will provide written confirmation to the Township of Elsinboro of said traffic control and Salem City Police assistance on or before October 10, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Salem high school board of Education will provide a certificate of liability for this function to the Township of Elsinboro on or before October 10, 2017; and

WEHREAS, based on the foregoing, the Township Committee of the Township of Elsinboro believes that it is in the best interests of the residents of the Township of Elsinboro to support the Salem High School 5K Ram Run;

Now THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Elsinboro hereby supports the Salem High School 5K Ram Run to be held October 21, 2017

Motion Elk Second Hogate 3 ayes

**RESOLUTION NO. 2017-46
RESOLUTION EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS
REGARDING THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT AND OPEN PUBLIC
RECORDS ACT**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee took action in Senate Bill Nos. 1045 and 1046, which amend the Open Public Meetings Act and Open Public Records Act, respectively, on June 29, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Committee released the bills to the full Senate without recommendation because the bills are unnecessary, unpopular with the public, and would result in significant financial and administrative burdens on municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the bills fail to adequately protect taxpayers, municipalities and, especially, municipal clerks from abusive, harassing, and purposefully confrontational individuals who

submit voluminous requests for no legitimate reason; and

WHEREAS, the legislation would expand the Open Public Meeting Act to create impractical and burdensome requirements with respect to subcommittees and working groups established by the entire governing body, which would effectively limit the ability of small groups of local officials discussing issues of public concern for the purposes of informing the governing body; and

WHEREAS, under the bills, the responsibilities of municipal clerks, who the Legislature has already loaded with responsibilities beyond the scope of their office, would be stretched even further than current law requires without a single dollar of additional resources provided to, or authorized to be collected by, municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the bills would impose a financial burden on municipalities that would not be offset by a revenue source other than the property tax, making the bills unfunded mandates prohibited by the New Jersey Constitution; and

WHEREAS, some municipalities are more equipped than others to meet the burdens that would be imposed by Senate Bill Nos. 1045 and 1046, however, without assistance of any kind from the States or the courts, every municipality would be on its own to meet the myriad new requirements of the law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Elsinboro, that the Legislature is strongly urged to reject Senate Bill Nos. 1045 and 1046 and draft new legislation to modernize OPRA and OPMA while providing municipalities and clerks with the resources to effectuate these changes for the benefit of the public.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be filed with the legislative sponsors of Senate Bill Nos. 1045 and 1046 and Assembly Bill Nos. 2697 and 2699, the Speaker of the General Assembly, the President of the Senate, and the Governor, and all parties are urged to listen to the concerns of local officials and prevent Senate Bill Nos. 1045 and 1046 from becoming law

Motion Elk Second Hogate 3 ayes

Police Report, Building inspectors report, CO report, and Tax Collector were read by clerk

Mayor Elwell Congratulated Chief Venable on his promotion.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fire Company – Mayor Elwell reported 4 Ambulance calls and 3 Fire calls, Bingo will be held October 27, 2017. The dodge ball tournament was won by LAC Police. Softball game to come.

Emergency Management.- Committeeman Hogate had prepared for storms in case they were bad.

Community Development- Mayor Elwell said the Trunk r treat date is still pending. He also informed us the bid opening for S. Locust and Yerkee's Lane will be held 10/11/17, and we applied for the 2018 DOT grant to do Phase II of S. Locust and Yerkee's Lane.

Township Roads-Deputy Mayor Elk informed us that approximately 65 people attended the Clean Communities Day on September 30. He also reported LAC Road department helped us a lot with the tree trimming we needed to have done.

Insurance- Committeeman Hogate told us the right to know has been done and he attended Finance and Fund commissioners meetings for JIF.

OPEN TO PUBLIC COMMENT

Mrs. McManus said 35 Nelson Avenue has branches and no one is living there.

Mrs. Ayars told the committee on 25 Tilbury Road the field needs to be mowed. Committee said they would look into it.

Mr. Grant told us one of his neighbors is doing unfounded calls to the police and one neighbor is letting his dog out the hassle people on the beach. Attorney Wood said Mr. Grant needs to call the police the township cannot do anything about this.

Mrs. Nugent said they are not being noisy and they are not on the beach after hours with a fire pit, it is in their yard. She also said there are a lot of people taking the wrong road to go to the Inn and then they cut across the grass instead of turning around.

Mr. Quinette said maybe they could put up a guard rail. Mayor Elwell said they will see what can be done.

Mr. Simpkins asked if the petition for the beach hours was a rumor. Mr. Grant said no he started it.

Mrs. Nugent asked what happens if the petition is given to the township?
Attorney wood stated the committee reviews and will take it into consideration, however petition is not binding.

Date of Next Meeting: **November 6, 2017**

Motion for Adjournment made at 7:55pm by Elk, Second Hogate, 3 yes