

**ELSINBORO TOWNSHIP**  
**May 22, 2020 Special Meeting**

The Special meeting was called to order at 4:30p.m. by Mayor Elwell as posted on the website and front door of the Emergency Management Building.

Roll Call - Mayor Elwell, Deputy Mayor McAllister, Committeeman Hogate, Clerk Uzdanic and several residents

I would like to call this May 22, 2020 township committee meeting to order.

**Ordinance to be adopted**

**REPEAL OF ORDINANCE 2020 04 AND REOPENING OF OAKWOOD BEACH  
ACCESS POINTS  
ORDINANCE 2020-05**

**WHEREAS**, on March 9, 2020, Governor Murphy issued Executive Order 103 declaring a State of Emergency in response to the COVID-19 pandemic facing the United States of America and the State of New Jersey.

**WHEREAS**, on March 16, 2020, Governor Murphy issued Executive Order 104 imposing “Social Distancing” in response to this global crisis.

**WHEREAS**, on March 21, 2020, Governor Murphy issued Executive Order 107 directing all New Jersey residents to stay at home in an effort to stop the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

**WHEREAS**, on May 14, 2020, Governor Murphy issued Executive Order 143 allowing public beaches to remain open with restrictions, including controlling density at entrance points and gates, and demarcating six feet of spacing through the placement of cones, flags, or other markings.

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee of the Township of Elsinboro recognizes the emergency that faces not only the residents of the Township of Elsinboro but the entire world and desires to help control the spread of this virus;

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee of the Township of Elsinboro recognizes the strain on enforcing Governor Murphy’s orders puts on the limited resources of the Lower Alloways Creek Police Department which, through a shared services agreement provides law enforcement services to the Township of Elsinboro;

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee of the Township of Elsinboro has continued to monitor and consult with the Governor’s Office as well as the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) with regard to the impact COVID-19 and the Governor’s Orders may have on the Oakwood Beach area of the Township; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Governor's Executive Orders allows municipalities with beach property to regulate such areas as they see fit so long as they are consistent with the Executive Orders and does not contradict or allow for more public access then is directed by such Orders;

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee of the Township of Elsinboro desires to protect its residents and continue to help curb the spread of the COVID-19 virus in general for the health, welfare, and safety of not only the residents of the Township of Elsinboro but the public at large but at the same time provide open spaces for individuals to maintain their health and welfare;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Elsinboro, that Ordinance No. 2020-04 is hereby repealed.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Elsinboro, that Ordinance 2015-3 Section F is amended as follows [additions in bold, deletions are stricken]:

No one shall drive or park any vehicle on any area except the roadways or provided parking spaces. **Parking in designated lots or areas shall be limited to 50% of capacity.**

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Elsinboro, that Ordinance 2015-3 Section G is amended as follows [additions in bold, deletions are stricken]:

Elsinboro Point Parking Area (Block 23, Lot 1, adjacent to Salem-Ft. Elfborg Rd). Designated parking area capacity is **3** with one additional handicap parking space and one space for a bus or emergency equipment.

Sinnickson Landing Road Boat Ramp Facility Parking Areas (Block 10, Lot 12 and Block 11, Lots 4 and 5). Designated parking capacity is **7** vehicles with trailers and no greater than **four** additional cars without trailers (Block 11, Lots 4 and 5). One additional handicap-accessible parking space is provided at the ramp location (Block 10, Lot 12).

Terminus of Money Island Road Parking Area (Block 42, Lot 6). Designated parking capacity is **three** vehicles, one additional handicap parking space and one space for a bus or emergency equipment.

Money Island Road Nature Trail Parking Area (Block 40, Lot 2). Designated parking area capacity is **four** vehicles with one additional space for a bus or emergency equipment.

**Parking in all other parking lots/areas shall be limited to 50% of the designated spots. Parking in non-designated spots is prohibited.**

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Elsinboro, that Ordinance 2015-3 Section I is amended as follows [additions in bold, deletions are stricken]:

Entering the areas open to the public during storms and/or other dangerous conditions **or in violation of social distancing guidelines are prohibited.**

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Elsinboro, that Ordinance 2015-3 Section T is amended as follows [additions in bold, deletions are stricken]:

Activities **and/or gatherings** which are deemed to cause a hazardous condition **or are in violation of social distancing policies are prohibited. Additionally organized games, contact sports, and special events, including fireworks, on the beach are strictly prohibited.**

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Elsinboro, that Ordinance 2015-3 Section U be added to read:

**By entering the Oakwood Beach area, all individuals agree to maintain, at all times, a physical barrier of 25 feet from the sand fence, while complying with all other social distancing guidelines.**

**Motion open to public McAllister Second Hogate 3RCV yes**  
**No public Comment**  
**Motion close to public McAllister Second Hogate 3RCV yes**  
**Motion to Adopt McAllister Second Hogate 3RCV yes**

**Open to Public Comment**

Mayor Elwell informed everyone the PSE&G parking lot is closed due to someone vandalizing the gate, but the access is open.

Date of Next Meeting: June 1, 2020

Motion for Adjournment at 4:42pm **McAllister Second Hogate 3RCV yes**