

April 1, 2020 Email

## DEWEY IS ALIVE AND MOVING FORWARD



Hello all property owners,

You are receiving this because the Mayor is unavailable, and I have been asked to handle those duties for a short while. I'm not going to be an alarmist, nor am I going to sugarcoat all of the health issues. Things are definitely serious with the present crisis; but we are still here and doing well under the circumstances. Here are a few items of interest:

1) IN THE GOVERNOR'S LATEST DIRECTIVE all non-residents are instructed to NOT come to Delaware unless they have a valid, essential business reason. We are under a shelter in place (stay at home) order. Delaware is a small state, and there are not enough hospital, emergency care centers to handle an influx of out of state residents during this dangerous time. If a non-resident arrives in state other than just immediately passing through, they are required to isolate for 14 days; and police have been authorized to question out of state vehicles during health restrictions enforcement efforts.

2) OUR BEACH IS COMPLETELY CLOSED TO ALL ACTIVITIES until further notice by

order of the Mayor and Governor. Dewey and Rehoboth both completely closed their beaches the day before the Governor closed all other Delaware beaches.

3) DEWEY TOWN HALL CLOSED TO PUBLIC, as are most other local municipalities. If you must speak with an employee, please call (302-227-6363) for information or to possibly schedule an appointment.

4) TOWN CONTINUES TO BE OPERATIONAL. The last Council meeting was held on Friday, March 27th. Since we could not allow public attendance, we incorporated call in lines for Commissioners and the public, live-streamed the meeting, and took breaks to allow time to receive public e-mail input. There were some glitches with the 15 second audio delays on all three services; but we got it done.

5) 2020/2021 BUDGET WAS APPROVED, with one restriction. Because of the uncertainty of possible national and local direct effects on the state and town budgets, the Commissioners required the Town Manager to make plans for possible severe limits on our proposed budget. If the health crisis continues at length, the Council will make adjustments and limits in May. The next town meeting is scheduled for Saturday, April 11th. Please check the [town web site](#) for updated information. I will also attempt to keep you informed.

All of our volunteer Commissioners will continue to assist town staff, property owners and businesses to get through these hard times. And, hopefully, we can get prepared for another exciting summer season. My thoughts and best wishes go out to all of you.

We will get through this together....

~Dale

*Dale H. Cooke*

*Commissioner, Town of Dewey Beach*

NOTE: For those that actually live in this area.  
Here is a short list of restaurants still open for  
carry out and/or delivery.

Dewey Beer Company, Daily 1-7pm/Sun 12-4p

Gary's, Thur & Fri 4-9pm/Sat & Sun 11am-9pm

MezCali, Thur thru Sun 3-8pm

Sirvida, Daily, noon - 8pm, delivery & carryout

Starboard, Fri thru Sun 9am - 8pm

Starboard Raw, Fri thru Sun 3-8pm

Woody's, Daily 11am-8pm

Grotto's, daily delivery

HOPE I HAVEN'T MISSED ANYONE....

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