## Rehoboth Beach-Dewey Beach Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Center

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## FROM THE CITY MANAGER - CITY OF REHOBOTH BEACH

This is an important message regarding impending winter storm Jonas that is moving into our area from the south. The City of Rehoboth Beach is continuing to monitor the high impact weather pattern that is predicted for the area. Current concerns include intermittent mixtures of snow, sleet, and heavy rains, in addition to high winds, coastal flooding and extreme tides. At this time a winter storm warning is in effect through Sunday with concerns for potentially high wind conditions and gusts between 50 to 60 mph on Saturday into Sunday morning. A full moon on Saturday will cause high tides and possible coastal flooding. Snow is expected in our area by 5 p.m. today. Overnight temperatures will rise causing snow changing to heavy rain throughout the day on Saturday. Temperatures are expected to drop considerably by Saturday evening causing a changeover to snow resulting in additional accumulation and very icy conditions. The weather event is expected to end by Sunday morning. City work crews have been preparing for this storm, and they will be working to handle all weather related issues.

Please be prepared and take precautions by removing any moveable objects including outdoor furniture and trashcans from unprotected areas. Should you experience a power outage Delmarva Power is committed to an emergency response system that makes safety a priority and restores power as quickly as possible. Customers can report outages and downed wires by calling 800-898-8042.

It is important to monitor the forecast and local conditions through television, radio and Internet resources. Many events planned for the weekend are being cancelled. At the present time there are no evacuation orders or shelters in place in our region.

The City will continue to communicate as best as possible to provide updated weather conditions and all safety concerns to residents. Please call the Rehoboth Beach Police Department by dialing 9-1-1 for emergencies or 302-227-2577 for information.

## FROM JOE THOMAS, SUSSEX COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER

This is an important message from the Sussex County Emergency Operations Center. Due to the forecasted winter storm, your area is at risk for moderate flooding and strong northeasterly winds from Friday night through Sunday morning. While snow is possible, the most significant concern for coastal areas with this storm is tidal flooding and strong winds lasting 36 to 48 hours. The National Weather Service estimates tides along the Atlantic coast and Inland Bays could run as much as 3 feet higher than normal from Saturday morning through at least Sunday. You are urged to take precautions and relocate now, if necessary. Please stay tuned to local media and be sure to visit our the social media page, facebook.com/SussexCountyEOC, for updates. Complete information is available at: — www.weather.gov/phi and the latest briefing package can be viewed at: http://www.weather.gov/media/phi/current\_briefing.pdf

For a complete Calendar of Events, visit the Chamber website – <u>www.beach-fun.com</u>. If you have questions, please give Carol a call on the member hotline – 227-6446 or her cell phone at 542-7547.