This newsletter provides information about the upcoming Poolesville Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020. This year, we will be electing three (3) of five (5) Commissioners.

VOTING BY MAIL

The Board of Commissioners of Poolesville has made the determination that due to the Covid-19 pandemic a “Vote by Mail” option will be permitted for this Election. There will still be an “In-Person” voting option which will occur on Election Day, November 3, 2020.

Every registered voter in the Town of Poolesville, who is shown as an active voter (on the Montgomery County Voter Registration List on October 2, 2020) will be mailed a paper ballot. In the envelope will be an affidavit, a ballot, a ballot envelope and a stamped returned envelope. Only the completed ballot by the registered voter is to be placed in the ballot envelope. The affidavit and the ballot envelope are to be placed in the stamped return envelope provided. This must be returned to Town Hall before 8:00 P.M. on Election Day or posted marked no later than November 3, 2020 and received from the USPS by Noon on November 10, 2020.

REQUESTING A BALLOT TO BE MAILED TO A LOCATION OTHER THAN REGISTERED ADDRESS

If you are requesting a ballot to be mailed to somewhere other than your address that is shown on the Montgomery County Voter Registration List, you will need to submit a “Ballot Application for 2020 Election” Town Hall by Friday October 9th at 4pm. To receive a “Ballot Application for 2020 Election”, please email or call Town Hall.

VOTING IN PERSON

You will also be able to vote in-person at Town Hall on Election Day, November 3, 2020 from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM, if you have not already cast a mail-in ballot. Please enter through the front doors and follow the instructions of the Election Judges.
You must wear a mask to enter the building. Proper 6-foot social distancing will be followed, and hand sanitizer will be available.

REGISTRATION FOR VOTERS

A. Residents must qualify to vote in the Poolesville Town Elections by registering with the Montgomery County Board of Elections which qualifies a person to vote in the Town Elections. If you have relocated within the corporate limits of Poolesville, please ensure that you change your address with the Montgomery County Board of Elections.

B. Registration of voters: A resident of the Town of Poolesville may become registered to vote if the individual meets the requirements for voter registration stated in the Election Law Article, Section 3-102 Annotated Code of Maryland.

C. Residents may register with the Montgomery County Board of Elections by calling 240-777-8683.

D. Final date of registration will be October 2, 2020.

CANDIDATES FOR COMMISSIONER OF POOLESVILLE

A. Candidates must be qualified registered voters for the Town of Poolesville elections (see B above); be twenty-one (21) years of age or older at their last birthday preceding the election; have continuously resided within the corporate limits of the Town of Poolesville for at least six (6) months prior to the election; continuously reside within the corporate limits during his or her term of office, and not been convicted of a felony.

B. Any Candidate desiring to run for office must file an official application at Town Hall, signed by a minimum of twenty-five (25) residents who are qualified registered voters of the Town of Poolesville, and pay a fee of $10.00 by September 25, 2020 at 4:00 P.M.

C. A Poolesville Financial Disclosure Form must also be completed and filed at Town Hall at the same time the official application is submitted. The Application is not deemed complete without the Financial Disclosure Form. The Application will not be deemed complete until the Ethics Disclosure Form is approved by the Poolesville Ethics Commission.

A video demonstrating the procedure for “Mail-in Voting” will be available.

POOLESVILLE BOARD OF ELECTIONS
INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOTING

- Mark the enclosed “Ballot”
- Place “Ballot” inside the enclosed “Ballot Envelope”
- DO NOT put your name, sign or mark on the “Ballot Envelope”
- Insert “Ballot Envelope” into the “Return Envelope”
- Complete and sign the “Affidavit” and place it in the “Return Envelope” alongside the “Ballot Envelope”
- Seal and return the “Return Envelope” to the pre-marked address
- Place in the mail or bring it to Town Hall and place in the “Ballot Box”