



PUBLIC NOTICE OF ANNUAL TOWN OF BOWERS MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, 2020, FROM 2:00 P.M. TO 7:00 P.M. EASTERN DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME IN THE TOWN OF BOWERS AT THE BOWERS FIRE COMPANY LOCATED AT 3285 MAIN STREET, BOWERS, DELAWARE.

NOTICE is hereby given to all qualified electors of the Town of Bowers, Delaware, that the Annual Municipal Election will be held in Bowers on Saturday, August 1, 2020, from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. eastern daylight savings time, at the Bowers Fire Company located at 3285 Main Street, Bowers, Delaware.

There are two (2) candidates running for Mayor: Ada Puzzo and William Stone. The term of office for the individual receiving the highest number of votes for Mayor is two (2) years.

There are three (3) candidates running for the Town Council: Wayne Irons, Jr., Ryan Locke, and Shirley Pennington. The two (2) individuals receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected for a term of two (2) years.

At the Annual Municipal Election, every person shall be qualified to vote who is a U.S. citizen, has attained the age of eighteen (18) years on the date of the election, and for at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the election has been either a freeholder in Bowers or domiciled in Bowers. For the purpose of voting, a freeholder is any natural person who holds title of record either in his/her own name or as trustee to a fee simple estate or to a life estate, in and to real property located within the Town boundaries. For the purpose of voting, domiciled shall mean physically residing in that place where a person has his/her true, fixed, and permanent home and principal establishment, and to which, whenever he or she is absent, that person has the intention of returning; provided, however, that absence from one's place of domicile for some temporary purpose shall not terminate that domicile so long as the intention to return to that place remains fixed, certain, and constant during the period of physical absence.

Any qualified voter who did not register to vote in Bowers prior to 2020 as evidenced by having signed the Bowers voter registration book shall be required to register to

vote by filing a Certification of Qualifications to Vote in Election with the Board of Elections, which form may be obtained from the Town's website (www.bowersbeach.delaware.gov) or by sending an email request to BoardofElections@bowersde.gov or by calling 302-222-6341. Any voter who is not listed as a property owner on the Kent County property tax records for the Town of Bowers shall also be required to submit proof of being a freeholder or domiciled in Bowers. Qualified individuals may register to vote in person at the Bowers Town Hall located at 3357 Main St., Bowers, Delaware (new building behind original Maritime Museum) from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon on July 17, 24, and 31. Qualified individuals may register to vote any time prior to the closing of the polls on the date of the election.

All votes shall be offered in person or by absentee ballot. Per 15 Del. C. § 7572(a), absentee ballot applications must be filed with the Town no later than 12:00 noon on July 31, 2020. Absentee ballot applications may be obtained from the Town's website (www.bowersbeach.delaware.gov) or by sending an email request to BoardofElections@bowersde.gov or by calling 302-222-6341. Additionally, the Bowers Town Hall located at 3357 Main St., Bowers, Delaware (new building behind original Maritime Museum) will be open from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon on July 17, 24, and 31 for individuals to request absentee ballot applications, return completed absentee ballot applications, and return absentee ballots to the Town.

The last day for the Town to mail out absentee ballots is Tuesday, July 28, 2020. Absentee ballots must be received before the polls close on the day of the election. No voter shall vote for more candidates than there are offices to be filled at the election. Voting machines will be used.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Town of Bowers will be following the requirements set forth in Governor Carney's State of Emergency declaration. During the election the Town will be implementing social distancing, require everyone age 13 and older to wear face-covering at all times, and to enforce limitations of persons permitted at one time in the polling place.

Any questions regarding one's status as a registered voter or pertaining to any other election matters may be emailed to BoardofElections@bowersde.gov.