

A Note from the Town Administrator Regarding Absentee Voting



Please know that in-person absentee ballot voting began this morning at Town Hall. We have four voting booths set up in the lobby properly physically distanced so voters can vote right here right now. In addition, we are mailing out over 1000 requested absentee ballots in the coming days so voters can vote at home at their convenience and then return the ballots before the polls close on Nov 3rd. Voters can also come into town hall and pick up a ballot to take home and return before 8pm Nov 3rd.

If we have a line of early voters here at town hall waiting for an empty booth, we are prepared to have them wait in our meeting room socially distanced and staff will direct them to an empty booth asap. So far today no one waiting to vote has had to wait for an empty booth.

Processing absentee ballots for mailing to residents is time consuming from a paper handling and digital record keeping aspect. I doubt we will get all 1000 ballot requests mailed out this week...but we will try. Certainly they will all be mailed out well before Friday Oct 16.

Waterboro now has over 5400 registered voters. Even with the large absentee ballot contingent in process, we still expect voting to be heavy on the evening of Nov 3rd. If you intend to vote in person Nov 3rd we recommend you try and vote before 4pm to avoid long lines....thank U....Gary