

The Town of Fenwick Island

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Notice of Election

The Town of Fenwick Island annual election will be held on August 3, 2024, between the hours of 1:00 – 5:00 pm at the Town Hall located at 800 Coastal Hwy. Fenwick Island, DE 19944.

There are three (3) Council seats available. Each seat is for a 2-year term. The candidates are:

William Rymer Richard Benn James Simpson Susan Brennan

If you are not already registered to vote, you may register by completing the Voter Registration Form which is included in this letter or available on the Town's website. Voter Registration Forms are due no later than **July 3, 2024.**

Absentee ballots are available for any registered voter who is not able to vote in person on election day at Town Hall. The request form to receive the absentee ballot must be filed with the Town no later than 12:00 p.m. on August 2, 2024. Absentee ballots must be received prior to the close of the election, 5:00 p.m., on August 3, 2024. The Request for an Absentee Ballot form can be found included in this letter.

To vote in Fenwick Island's election, you must be qualified either as a "resident" or as a "non-resident".

Resident: Every natural person, who is a citizen of the State of Delaware and the United States, age 18 on or before the date of the election, a bona fide resident of the Town prior to the annual municipal election and registered to vote thirty (30) or more days prior to the annual municipal election, if provided by ordinance, shall have one vote. A bona fide resident means a permanent, full-time resident of the Town.

Non-resident: Every property owner as of March 1 prior to the annual municipal election, whether a natural person or artificial entity, including but not limited to corporations, partnerships, trusts, and limited liability companies, and who is registered to vote, if provided by ordinance, shall have one vote. A natural person shall be a citizen of the United States and age 18 on or before the date of the election. An artificial entity shall be a domestic entity in the State of Delaware. Artificial entities must provide a complete and notarized Special Power of Attorney form for each election (see reverse for more information related to artificial entities).

The above voter qualification provisions shall be construed in accordance with the principle of "one-person/entity, one vote." Where a voter is entitled to vote by virtue of being both a resident



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and as an owner of real property, that voter shall be entitled to only one vote; where a voter is entitled to vote by ownership of two or more parcels of real property, that voter shall be entitled to only one vote.

Any artificial entity, other than a natural person entitled to vote, must cast its vote by a duly executed and notarized power of attorney from the legal entity granting the authority to cast its vote to its designated attorney-in-fact. Such power of attorney shall be surrendered to the election officials who shall file the same in the office of the Town. Such power of attorney so filed shall constitute conclusive evidence of the right of said person to vote in the election on behalf of the legal entity granting the power. The person casting the ballot for such entity shall be age 18 on or before the date of the election and a citizen of the United States. Power of Attorney Forms expire each year and must be updated. A Special Power of Attorney form is attached.

For more information on election procedures, or to download the request form for the absentee ballot, please visit www.fenwickisland.delaware.gov/election or call Town Hall for assistance at 302-539-3011.