

NOTICE OF 2021 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS SCOTLAND COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

A municipal general election will be held on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 in Scotland County to vote in the following contest: East Laurinburg, NC, Gibson, NC, Maxton, NC and Wagram, NC to vote for candidates for the following offices: East Laurinburg Mayor and Town Commissioners; Gibson Mayor and Town Commissioners; Maxton Town Commissioners and Wagram Mayor and Town Council Members. Based on SB722 Section 1(e)(3) the Municipal Elections for the City of Laurinburg has been postponed until March 8, 2022. Photo ID is not required in any election in 2021.

Polls will be open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on the day of the election, Tuesday, November 2, 2021. One-stop early voting will be held at the Scotland County Board of Elections office. One-stop early voting will be open from Thursday, October 14, 2021 and ends Saturday, October 30, 2021 and is only available to the citizens of the Town on Maxton. East Laurinburg, Gibson and Wagram will not be offering One-Stop Voting during this election. One Stop voting hours is Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. till 5:00 p.m. and Saturday, October 30, 2021 8:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. Canvass will be held in the Scotland County Board of Elections conference room at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 9, 2021.

Absentee voting by-mail will be available on Sunday, October 3, 2021 for the Town of Maxton only. East Laurinburg, Gibson and Wagram will not be offering Absentee-by-mail voting for this election. Requests for an absentee ballot must be made on an absentee request form (available on the State Board of Elections website and at the county board of elections office) and must be received in the Scotland County Board of Elections office by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday prior to the date of the election. Absentee voting requires the voter to complete an application on the return envelope that must be witnessed by two qualified persons or a notary public. Completed absentee ballots must be returned to the Board of Elections office by Tuesday, November 2, 2021 5:00 p.m. on Election Day (ballots received by mail after this time will be timely if received within three business days and postmarked by Election Day). Voters may receive assistance voting a mail-in absentee ballot from a qualified person of their choice. If the voter lives in a facility such as a nursing home, and the voter's near relative or legal guardian is not available, the voter or the facility can arrange to have the county board of elections schedule a visit by a Multipartisan Assistance Team to provide assistance and witnesses.

Voters voting in person are entitled to assistance by an election official, or, if assistance is needed due to disability or illiteracy, by a qualified person of their choice. Voting sites are accessible to all voters. Curbside voting is available for voters who are not able to enter voting sites.

All persons who live in eligible municipal districts and who are registered to vote with the Scotland County Board of Elections may vote in this election. Persons who are not already registered to vote in the county must register by 5:00 pm on Friday, October 8, 2021 to be eligible to vote in this election. Voters who are not registered in the county by that deadline may register and vote during one stop early voting only and will be required to provide documentation of their residence. Voters who wish to change party affiliation or who have changed name or address must do so by the registration deadline. Voters who fail to timely make a change in name or address in the county must update the information when presenting to vote, and may be required to vote a provisional ballot.

Persons with questions about registration, polling places, early voting, absentee ballots, a Multipartisan Assistance Team visit to a facility or other election matters may call the Board of Elections Office at 910-277-2595.

William R. Purcell, Chairman
Scotland County Board of Elections