

HOA Voice of the Village

Special Election Edition - Nov 3rd Election Update No. 2



As part of our HOA Advocacy efforts, this is the 2nd in a series of emails from your HOA to assist Tellico Village homeowners and residents in voting in the November 3rd election.

This HOA Special Election VOICE is dedicated to *VOTING BY MAIL*
Commonly Referred to as Absentee By-Mail Voting

Step 1 – Register to Vote

Last day to register to vote - October 5, 2020

Register to vote in person or on-line using the following links.

Loudon County: <http://loudoncountyvotes.com/voterRegistration.php>

Monroe County: <https://www.monroecountyelectioncommission.com/>

SPECIAL UPDATE FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Pursuant to the September 9, 2020 Order of the U.S. District Court, first-time voters are no longer required to vote in-person if they meet a legal reason to vote by mail.

Step 2 – Check Eligibility to Vote By Mail

There are several categories which allow a person to vote By Mail but for Tellico Village residents the easiest if you are sixty (60) years of age or older. To view the complete list, use the following link: <https://sos.tn.gov/products/elections/absentee-voting>



Step 3 – Request a Vote By Mail Ballot

Last day to request a Mail-In Ballot - October 27, 2020

Use the link below to download the Mail-In Ballot Form.

<https://sos-tn-gov-files.tnsosfiles.com/Absentee%20Ballot%20Request%20Form.pdf>

Follow the instructions in the link below on how to complete and submit the form. The form can be emailed, faxed, or mailed.

Loudon County: [http://loudoncountyvotes.com/files/Absentee Ballot Request Instructions.pdf](http://loudoncountyvotes.com/files/Absentee_Ballot_Request_Instructions.pdf)

Monroe County: Follow the Instructions on the form. For more info call: 423-442-2461

Your HOA has spoken to the Loudon Election Commission and they encourage not waiting until the last day to request ballots given the time for processing and mailing time to you and then back to them. They will do their best, but you don't want to miss getting/returning your ballot.

Step 4 – Submit Your Mail-In Ballot

Ballots must be returned by the closing of the polls at 8 P.M. on Election Day

Complete and Mail back Ballot per the instructions.

You must mail your ballot in time for your county election commission to receive it no later than the close of polls on Election Day.

A voted ballot must be returned to the Election Commission Office by the United States Post Office, FedEx, UPS or other courier service by the closing of the polls at 8 P.M. on Election Day.

Voted ballots cannot be hand delivered to the Election Commission office

For another option, see ***HOA Election Smart Tip #1*** below.

HOA Election Smart Tip #1

Loudon County: Another option to using normal mail pick-up and delivery is to take your ballot directly to the *Loudon Post Office only*. The Post Office will postmark and deposit your ballot directly into the Election Commission Post Office Box 193. By doing this your ballot never leaves the Post Office for processing/routing... it goes directly into the Election Box.

Monroe County: If this option becomes available in Monroe County, we will inform you in a future Special Election Edition of the HOA Voice.

Step 5 – You're done!

Congratulations! You've exercised your constitutional right to vote and did your civic duty. Now relax and watch the election returns on November 3rd!

HOA Election Smart Tip #2

Check on the Status of your ballot using the Voting By Mail Ballot Tracker

Around mid-September you can check the status of your ballot online. Simply follow the on-line instructions at the link below and enter the required information to check the status of your mail-in ballot.

Online Mail-in Ballot Tracker: <https://tnmap.tn.gov/voterlookup/>



More to Come...

Future Special Election Editions of the Voice will provide updates and present additional detailed voter information on Voting in Person.

Your HOA will continue to add information to the [2020 Election Information folder](#) that is located under the *Advocacy* tab on the HOA website HOAtellicovillage.com .

Additional information on voting in Tennessee can be found at: [GoVoteTN](#)

Note: Most of the information in this edition applies statewide regarding dates and overall process. However, while we have a lot of information from Loudon County regarding local processes, our information from Monroe County is currently very limited. If you live in Monroe County, we highly recommend you check their website below for the most current information. We will continue to provide you updates as the information becomes available.

<https://www.monroecountyelectioncommission.com/>

This information has been compiled by the HomeOwners Association of Tellico Village 2020 Election Committee and believed to be accurate at time of posting. Questions or comments can be directed to: Dennis Dougherty, HOA Vice President-Programs dpd@dpdougherty.com