

*Town of*  
**ELEANOR**  
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May 1, 2020

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**2020 Town of Eleanor Election**

**Election Day:** Tuesday, June 9th

**Location:** The Homestead Room at the  
Town Hall (401 Roosevelt Blvd.)

**Voting Hours:** 6:30am to 7:30pm

Voters will elect (1) Mayor, (1) Recorder and  
(5) Council Members.

All elected officials will serve a two-year term  
that will begin on July 1, 2020.

**Candidates**

**Mayor:** Cam Clendenin

**Recorder:** Lynda Casto

**Council:** Thomas Sheridan, Joey Tolley,  
Jack McLane, Robert Harper, Regina Hull,  
Teresa Harmon, Martha Fisch & Kevin Childers

**Registering to Vote**

You must be a registered voter to vote in the  
election. The last day to register is  
Tuesday, May 19th.

Registering voters and the registration records  
for our town elections are processed by the  
Putnam County Clerk.

The Co. Clerk will verify that all the names in  
the registration book have addresses within  
our town limits prior to turning it over to the  
town for our election.

All residents who are not registered to vote  
are encouraged to do so before the deadline.  
If you are unsure of your registration status or  
the address you listed, please contact  
County Clerk Brian Wood prior to May 19th.

Phone: 304-586-0202

Office: Winfield Courthouse

Website: PutnamCoClerk.com

**Early Voting**

Early Voting will take place 20 days prior to the  
Election at the Town Hall.

**Early Voting Days and Times**

May 27th, 28th & 29th from 8:30am-4:30pm

Saturday, May 30th from 9:00am-5:00pm

June 2nd—June 5th from 8:30am-4:30pm

Saturday, June 6th from 9:00am-5:00pm

**Absentee Voting**

Due to the Covid-19 crisis, any voter can vote  
using an absentee ballot this year.

To receive an absentee ballot, you MUST fill  
out an application request to vote absentee.

To receive an application, please call the  
Town Hall at 304-586-2319. The last day the  
town can receive a completed absentee ballot  
application request is June 3rd. After your  
application is received, a ballot will be mailed  
to you, so please list your PO Box on the  
application and double check it for accuracy.

Once you receive your absentee ballot, the last  
day for voters to hand deliver a completed  
absentee ballot is June 8th.

For all mailed in ballots to be counted, ballots  
by mail must be received by the close of the  
polls on election day or if postmarked by the  
U.S. Postal Service by election day and received  
no later than the beginning of the canvas  
which will take place on June 15th.

Please do not hesitate to call the Town Hall if  
you have any questions on absentee voting or  
if you need additional information.

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Mayor: Cam Clendenin      Recorder: Lynda Casto      Police Chief: Larry Wingo

Council: Jack McLane, Kevin Childers, Joey Tolley, Teresa Harmon & Regina Hull

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## Town of Eleanor Newsletter—May 2, 2020

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### Town Contact Information

#### **Mayor's Office:**

Cam Clendenin

Phone: 304-421-8894

E-Mail: [CamEleanorWV@gmail.com](mailto:CamEleanorWV@gmail.com)

#### **Town Hall Office Hours:**

Monday thru Friday

8:30am—4:30pm

#### **Town Hall/Town Council:**

Office Phone: 304-586-2319

Fax: 304-586-2828

Address: 401 Roosevelt Blvd.

P.O. Box 185 Eleanor, WV 25070

E-Mail: [eleanortown@frontier.com](mailto:eleanortown@frontier.com)

#### **Police Department:**

Chief Larry Wingo

Cell Phone: 304-546-1473

Office Phone: 304-586-2319

Address: 201 Ash Circle

P.O. Box 185 Eleanor, WV 25070

E-Mail: [EleanorPolice@frontier.com](mailto:EleanorPolice@frontier.com)

### Town Ordinances

The Town of Eleanor's Ordinances are available at the town hall during regular office hours.

You can also visit:

[www.EleanorWV.com/Ordinances](http://www.EleanorWV.com/Ordinances) to view them online.

### 2020 Census Info & Reminder

If you have not responded to the census yet, you can do so online at:  
[www.my2020census.gov/login](http://www.my2020census.gov/login)

\*\*\*This only takes 10 minutes to complete\*\*\*

Complete Step 1 or 2 after logging on to the site.

1. Enter your Census ID # that you received in the mail and then click Login.
2. If you did not receive anything in the mail, visit the webpage and then click on the blue text that says "If you do not have a Census ID, click here" and then follow the directions to obtain your ID so you can complete the questionnaire.

If you do not want to use a computer, you may call 1-844-330-2020 and access their phone system to complete the census questions.

Here is how Eleanor's Census Response Rate compares to other towns in Putnam County as of 4/25/20:

1. Hurricane 61.1%
2. Winfield 54.9%
3. Poca 40.5%
4. Buffalo 33%
5. Bancroft 28.5%
6. Eleanor 20.5%

### Town Meeting Schedules

Several May advisory board and committee meetings have all been canceled due to efforts made to promote social distancing throughout the month.

#### **Canceled meetings are:**

Police, Health and Events Planning.

We hope that these meetings should return on their normal schedule in June.

#### **May meetings NOT canceled are:**

Parks Board—May 4th @ 6:00pm

Town Council—May 7th @ 7:30pm

Sewer Board—May 14th @ 7:00pm

Storm Water Board—May 14th @ 7:30pm

Town Council— 21st @ 7:30pm

All Board and Committee meetings take place in the Town Hall's conference room.

Town Council meetings take place in the Homestead Room at the town hall.

Contact the Town Hall three (3) days prior to each meeting to have items added to the agenda.

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### Eleanor Pool—Closed for 2020

After careful thought and consideration by the Town Council and the Parks Board, it has been decided that the Eleanor Pool will not open this summer. This was a difficult decision to make due to the popularity of the pool, however, at this time there are several concerns brought on by the COVID-19 crisis for the town to prepare the pool to open.

It is worth stating that our Town Council and Park Board members are just as upset as many of you will be with this decision. They all take tremendous pride in all aspects of our town, especially in our parks and pool. Many individuals, including the Pool Manager Ron McDade, his staff, Certified Pool Operators Carl Neal and Johnny Watson and many others worked very hard to make last year's pool season such a huge success for our town. There was a lot of excitement among this group for the 2020 Season and it is disappointing that it has to be canceled due to reasons beyond their control.

De-winterization, cleaning and otherwise prepping the pool to open typically begins in mid-April. This work requires many man hours from our maintenance crew along with a budget for expenditures that is generally offset by pool revenues throughout the upcoming season. Allocating money to open the pool would have been a financial risk for the town, especially since there is no date or schedule provided by the State of WV to allow pools to open for the summer. Other tasks such as interviewing, hiring and certifying pool staff takes place during this time period as well. However, since classes to certify lifeguards have all been canceled in our area, it was unlikely that a fully trained and certified staff could even be hired prior to opening. The decision to cancel the pool was made due to these reasons and other general safety related concerns regarding the virus in general.

We hope as we navigate past this difficult time that everyone will join us again in 2021 as we look to make next year the best season yet.

### State & County Primary Election

Governor Jim Justice announced last month that the State/County Primary Election which was set to take place on May 12th would be moved to a later date due to COVID-19.

The new date now coincides with our own town election on June 9th.

This may cause some confusion with many of our residents on how and where to vote.

#### **Here are the key points to know:**

- Voters registered with an Eleanor address are to vote at Precinct 40, which is at George Washington Elementary School.
  - At this location, you will vote for elected positions such as President, Governor, Sec. of State, WV Supreme Court, Auditor, Treasurer, Senate, House of Del., etc.
    - You CANNOT vote for Eleanor Mayor, Recorder or Council at GW Elementary. You MUST visit both locations OR mail in two absentee ballots if you are voting absentee.
    - To receive an absentee ballot for this election, you MUST request one through the Putnam County Clerk, NOT through the town.
  - Early Voting will take place at the Putnam Co. Court House during the following days:
    - May 27th, 28th & 29th from 8:30am-4:30pm
    - Saturday, May 30th from 9:00am-5:00pm
    - June 2nd—June 5th from 8:30am-4:30pm
    - Saturday, June 6th from 9:00am-5:00pm

Sample ballots, voter registration and complete information regarding this election can be found online at [www.PutnamCoClerk.com](http://www.PutnamCoClerk.com)

For any additional questions, comments or concerns regarding this election, please contact the Putnam County Clerk Brian Wood at 304-586-0202.
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### Town Activity and First Responder Reports

#### **From the of Police Chief Larry Wingo**

As this global pandemic is still ongoing, I would like to express my thanks for the residents of Eleanor for following the CDC guidelines on Social Distancing, staying at home and taking care of each other. With that being said, lets switch gears and look to the future.

With the spring and summer months coming up and the kids now out of school until August, please take note of the following. Speed limits in the town are clearly marked with 20mph signs on city streets. The state controls Eleanor Circle and the speed limit there is 25mph, and also Rt. 62 with a speed limit of 45mph.

With the onset of warmer weather also comes an uptick in theft. Eleanor overall is a very quiet town so lets all strive to keep it that way. If you see something that isn't right, call and report it. Please be able to give a location and description of what is going on. If it is a person, please give a clothing description and where they were last seen. This will help officers when coming to the scene or looking for the person faster.

Another thing that can be done is keeping items stored around your home locked up. Bikes left by the roadway are quick and easy for someone to grab, they can also be transported in the bed of a vehicle and out of the area in a short amount of time. If you have valuables please consider locking them up with a chain to something sturdy or bring them inside your house or storage area. An idea to combat this type of theft would be to have the serial numbers of your items written down and placed somewhere that is safe. If you are able to, engrave your house number or initials on it.

That is good way to prevent it from being stolen and or pawned.

Please remember to lock your vehicles and houses at night and when you're not home. If you have expensive items in your vehicle (cell phones, purses, etc.) please cover them or put them in your glove box. Thieves look for quick and easy things to grab. Concealing them will make you less of a target.

I hope each and every one of you remains healthy, safe and ready for the road ahead.

Chief Larry Wingo

### Town Activity and First Responder Reports

#### **From Eleanor Volunteer**

#### **Fire Department Chief David Turley**

In the month of April, the EVFD had 10 total emergency calls. Three were for structure fires, two were vehicle accidents, two assist EMS, two utility/service calls and one response to a brush fire.

A clearly displayed house number helps emergency personnel find your home when you're in need. You can walk across the street and also drive by your home both in both directions to check to see if your house number is visible. Make sure you place your house number on your house. Your address should be close to the door within reach of a porch light. If you're able to, turn your porch light on (even during the day) to help responders locate your home. Pick a color that contrasts from your home. For example, if your house is white, choose black numbers. The bigger the house number the better.

Suggested type sizes varies by county. Many recommend house number to be three to size inches high. You can check with the county police to confirm.

Emergency calls do not always come on sunny days—nighttime, fog and rain can hinder the emergency responders from finding your home.

Thank you, Chief David Turley

### Community Shout Outs!

We would all like to thank the Eleanor Volunteer Fire Department along with departments from Poca and Winfield for working several days to clear the high water on Route 62.

We would also like to thank Senator Glenn Jeffries for coordinating the response efforts by the DOH, WATCO Railroad Services and the Army Corp of Engineers to complete the repairs needed to eliminate the high water in this area in the future.

If you would like to recognize someone for their efforts or to congratulate them on an individual or group accomplishment, please contact the town hall by the end of each month.