

Town of
ELEANOR
WEST VIRGINIA

July 1, 2020

2020 Election Results

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

Mayor (One Elected):

1. Cam Clendenin— 212
Unopposed

Recorder (One Elected):

1. Lynda Casto—212
Unopposed

Town Council (Five Elected):

1. Jack McLane—181
 2. Teresa Harmon—162
 3. Regina Hull—160
 4. Joey B. Tolley, JR—158
 5. Kevin L. Childers—156
- Tom Sheridan—113
Martha Fisch—78
Robert (BJ) Harper—67

Thank you to the candidates, voters and to the election workers. This election was much different than previous years due to the concerns brought on by the Covid-19 crisis. For that reason, the most important outcome of this election is that it was completed safely and with little to no risk to our community.

The early voting hours and the option to vote using an absentee ballot helped reduce the number of in-person voting this year.

However, the attention to detail and the hard work put in by our election workers was the main reason this election was completed safely.

Thank you to our great group of election workers for protecting our community and allowing everyone to cast their vote safely!

2020 Census

An accurate count is critical to communities all across the country, especially for towns like Eleanor. It is very important that everyone in town completes the 2020 Census. Please do not let misinformation keep you, your friends and your family members from responding.

Federal laws protect your answers. Under Title 13, the Census Bureau cannot release any identifiable information about you, your home, or your business to anyone, not even law enforcement agencies.

The answers that you provide are only used to produce statistics. The statistics produced by the Census will determine how hundreds of billions of dollars in federal funding will be allocated to communities over the next 10 years.

To help make sure everyone is counted, on August 11th Census takers will begin to visit the addresses for the homes and apartments that have not responded.

If you prefer to speak with a Census taker in person, do not take any action and your address will be added to the door to door visit list. A Census taker with proper identification will visit your home to review the questionnaire with you.

You may also respond before August by phone or on the Census website. If you complete the Census on your own prior to August, you will be counted right away and a Census taker will not visit your home in August to review it with you in person.

To complete by phone, call 1-844-330-2020.

Complete online at <https://my2020census.gov>

(See page 2 for current response statistics)

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 Contact Information

Mayor's Office:

Cam Clendenin

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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

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

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 to view them online.

2020 Census Response & Info

The information below is based on the latest Census statistics that were updated on June 29th, 2020.

The "Self-Response Rate" percentages used for the rankings are based on the total number of completed census questionnaires divided by the total number of homes & apartments within the municipal city limits.

Municipalities in Putnam County ranked from highest to lowest. Included in () are the overall state rankings:

1. Hurricane—72.5% (8th out of 232 in WV)
- 2. Eleanor—66.0% (23rd in WV)**
3. Winfield—64.6% (29th in WV)
4. Poca—59.5% (60th in WV)
5. Buffalo—47.9% (116th in WV)
6. Bancroft—44.8% (132nd in WV)

Town Meeting Schedules

Some July advisory board and committee meetings have been canceled due to efforts made to promote social distancing throughout the month.

Canceled meetings are:

Health and Events Planning.

We hope that these meetings will return to their normal schedule in August.

July meetings NOT canceled are:

Town Council—July 2nd @ 7:30pm

Parks Board—July 6th @ 6:00pm

Sewer Board—July 9th @ 7:00pm

Storm Water Board—July 9th @ 7:30pm

Town Council—July 16th @ 7:30pm

Police Board—July 7th @ 6:00pm

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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Free “Drive-In” Movie in Eleanor Park

Join your family and friends at the Eleanor Pool parking lot on

Friday, July 17th at 8:45pm

for a special “Drive-In” showing of the movie Sing!

Sing! is a 2016 animated musical comedy set in a world much like ours but inhabited by animals. Buster Moon, voiced by Mathew McConaughey, is a Koala Bear theater owner who decides to host a singing competition to save his failing business. Scarlett Johansson, Reese Witherspoon, Jennifer Hudson are some other stars who lend their voices to other animal characters hoping to win the competition. The plot and music featured in this film is perfect to be enjoyed by both children and adults. We hope to see everyone there!

The Eleanor Pool parking lot will open at 8:15pm for vehicles to arrive.

Throughout the evening, please practice safe social distancing.

Coronavirus Safety

Efforts to safeguard our community from the Coronavirus will continue throughout July.

The WV Governor’s executive orders regarding safety guidelines for municipalities like ours are discussed at each council meeting.

It is in our town’s best interest to continue to follow the guidance provided by the Governor and the Putnam County Health Department.

As more areas like playgrounds, shelters and ballfields in town come available, please continue to do everything you can to protect yourself and those around you.

Wearing a mask is optional in Eleanor and the State of West Virginia. However, it is strongly encouraged in situations where you cannot maintain six feet of social distancing.

Please continue to wash your hands, limit your in-person interactions with others and to take the threat of this virus serious.

Town Hall Office

The inside of the Town Hall will remain closed to walk-in visitors. Residents and other visitors are encouraged to use the “drop box” by the office door to handle business or to call 304-586-2319 for other assistance.

In person business can still take place if needed. Please call ahead to schedule a time prior to your arrival.

Rental Facilities

Shelters in both the Eleanor Park and the Town Park are open for rentals. All renters are expected to follow the safety guidelines that have been issued by the Governor and the Putnam County Health Department.

An additional agreement form has been added to the standard rental agreement. This form details the safety guidelines for the area you are reserving. It is important that these guidelines are followed for the protection of your invited guests and others who are using the nearby rentals or public areas.

The Homestead Room, Room B and Room C are currently unavailable. All scheduled rentals for July will be 100% refunded. Public use of these rooms are being evaluated at each council meeting. An announcement will be made when they are available again for rent.

Park Updates

A few areas in the Town Park have been updated in the last few weeks.

Both tennis courts have recently received a new paint job. New nets will be installed and these areas will be available for play beginning in July.

The lights at the courts are currently not working. These will be fixed soon so visitors can enjoy a game of tennis after dark as well.

The volleyball court is next on the list. The sand will be cleared of weeds and new sand will be added in early July.

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Town Activity and First Responder Reports

From the of Police Chief Larry Wingo

Happy July everyone! With that being said, please remember to watch the fireworks, literally. If you are going to set off fireworks please obtain the necessary permits at town hall. The town of Eleanor does have ordinances to follow and proper guidelines as to the time (11a-11p) in which you can use fireworks and how close you can use them to a dwelling (not within 100 feet to another dwelling and not within 500 feet of a location posing a special fire danger.) Please use good common sense, the ordinance for the fireworks is 1519.02.

The Governor did extend all expired vehicle registration and motor vehicle inspections (MVI) until July 1, 2020. Please make sure your vehicle, license and insurance are all up to date. The exemption period for citations for these violations has now ended and you may receive a citation for this reason beginning on July 1.

I hope that everyone is still following the guidelines for the COVID-19 precautions. I also hope everyone has a good, peaceful and relaxing July.

Thank you, Chief L.W. Wingo

From Eleanor Volunteer Fire Department Chief David Turley

In the month of June the EVFD completed a total of 12 emergency calls.

Two of those calls were for structure fires, two were for vehicle accidents, two for residential alarms and four commercial alarm calls.

Pedestrians and vehicles alike need to take the time and look in all directions when crossing Route 62 at Fir Street towards Ginos.

There is a possibility for vehicles to pull out from multiple locations in this area and not everyone is using a blinker to indicate what direction they are turning. When blinkers are used, they may be turning in to Ginos, Beech St., Wallgreens, Fir St. or even Eleanor Circle. So taking the time to look in all directions and waiting for a vehicle to pull off can avoid an accident.

Thank you, Chief David Turley

Building Permits and Business Licenses

Building Permits are written authorizations issued by the town for a resident's construction or remodeling project. Permits are issued to ensure the safety of the work and its compliance with building, construction and zoning codes. Please call the town hall prior to any project to see what, if any, permits are needed.

A Business License is an annual regulatory permit that allows businesses to operate within our town limits. The license is issued after it is verified that the business has met all applicable local, state and federal requirements. It is very important that all residents only use businesses who have a town business license. When using a contractor, please ask them if they have a town business license. If not, you may be using a contractor whose information has not been verified to have the proper insurance coverage or licenses to protect you if the job does not go according to plan.

To check if a company has a town license or if you have any questions please contact the Town Hall at 304-586-2319.

Community Shout Outs

Thank you to Officer Steve Jones! A thank you card was delivered to the Mayor and Police Chief expressing their thanks for Officer Jones' kindness and concern by a resident who was searching for a lost pet late one night.

Thank you Officer Jones, Officer Truitt and Chief Wingo for all you do for our community!

The town had a very successful and busy free clean-up weekend on June 26th and June 27th. The success of this event is thanks to the hard work put in by our town employees and volunteers! It is a great service provided to our residents and it could not be done without them.

Also thank you to all the residents who participated in the clean-up. We can only remain the "Cleanest Town in WV" by everyone working together. Taking this time to clean out old junk and clutter from your properties is greatly appreciated by everyone!

Please contact the town hall by the end of each month if you would like to add someone to the Community Shout Out section.
