

As Registrar of Voters, I have set up an email address specifically for the Registrar: [MontvilleRegistrar@gmail.com](mailto:MontvilleRegistrar@gmail.com) If you have any questions, or concerns about voting, please feel free to contact me – I will be checking the email every day. In the meantime, here are a few reminders about the upcoming election:

If you are new to Montville and wish to register to vote, there are number of ways to do that. You can email a request for a voter registration card and I can send one out to you in the mail. You can call the office and leave a message to have one sent to you. You can stop by the town office either Monday (8-4) or Thursday (8-2) when I am in the office or see the clerk/deputy registrar Monday (4-7), Wednesday (7-2) and Friday (9-2).

People who are new voters in Maine must provide either a Maine drivers' license or the last 4 digits of their Social Security number in order to register. In addition, we need to see some proof of your residency in Montville. This can be a bank statement, utility bill, lease agreement, etc. - some sort of official documentation that you do actually live here permanently. If you have previously registered to vote in Maine, and are just new to Montville, you need to show some sort of photo ID and proof of your Montville residency. If you have any questions about what to bring, please don't hesitate to email your questions to me.

Many of you have been asking about absentee ballots.. There are many ways to get an absentee ballot: You can call the clerk's office and request one over the phone. Please keep in mind that you may only request one over the phone for yourself – you cannot request one for another person over the phone. You can also go online through a link on the Secretary of State's website to request a ballot. You can come by the office to pick up an application and fill it out here, or take it home with you. If you fill out the application in person, you may request one for a spouse or immediate family member.

Many of you have asked about the absentee ballot applications that have been mailed out to many voters. They are legitimate, though keep in mind that they do not have all the required information pre-printed on them, so do not send them in just as you receive them. They need to be filled in completely, and signed, in order to be valid.

Although the applications are now available for absentee ballots, please keep in mind that the Town Office does not usually receive the actual ballots until early October. You can always email or call to check on the status of your application but it is unlikely that anything will be sent out before October. If this changes, we will certainly inform everyone.

There is a drop box for absentee ballots on the Town Office porch. This will allow you to drop off your ballot at any time, regardless of whether or not the office is open. Ballots must be returned by 8:00 PM on the day of the election. The box will be locked promptly at 8 PM. You can also return your ballot to the polling location any time between 8 AM and 8 PM. If you plan to return your ballot via the US postal service, understand that during the last election, the post office advised that mail could take 5-7 business days to be delivered. The ballot must be received by the Clerk's office before 8 PM on election day, so make sure you allow enough time.

Thank you all for your time.

Kathryn Campbell  
Montville Registrar of Voters