# Town of Oriental Resolution 2021-03

RESOLUTION TO OPT OUT OF ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE PAMLICO COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS FOR THE NOVEMBER 2021 MUNICIPAL ELECTION CYCLE

THAT WHEREAS, The Board of Elections requires that the Town Council provide, in writing, their intention for contracting Election services from the County; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Oriental will require Municipal Elections in November of 2021; and

WHEREAS, the cost for extra services is substantial and both the County and the Town must budget accordingly by June 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the past utilization of those provided services was minimal; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Oriental wishes to contract the Election Services of the Board of Elections to provide that service on the day of scheduled elections (November 2, 2021) and at the normal Oriental polling place (Fire Station 19 on Straight Rd in Oriental);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF ORIENTAL:

That the Town of Oriental does hereby choose to <u>NOT</u> contract for extra services for the 2021 Municipal Election Cycle.

ADOPTED THIS 6th DAY OF April, 2021.

Sally Belangia, Mayor

Attest:

Diane H. Miller, Manager/Clerk

Russell Richard, Secretary

Mary Helen Boone, Member

David Brookman, Member

Isaiah Grice, Member



## PAMLICO COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

May 5, 2021

Dear Town Officials,

The NC State Board of Elections has recommended to legislatures that all Municipal Elections for 2021 be rescheduled for 2022 because of the delayed census data as it relates to redistricting.

As of now, the schedule has not been changed. The Pamlico County Board of Elections will begin preparations to conduct Municipal Elections on Tuesday, November 2, 2021. Candidate filing will begin July 2, 2021 at noon and end on July 16, 2021 at noon. County offices will be closed on July 5th.

If candidate filing or Municipal Elections are delayed or rescheduled, we will inform you as soon possible.

Enclosed you will find a description of your election as well as an Agreement to Conduct Municipal Elections. Please indicate on the agreement if Absentee Voting is authorized, (Absentee Voting is any voting, One Stop or by mail, that is not conducted on Election Day). The agreement should be signed and mailed back to the Pamlico County Board of Elections. You will be provided a copy of the agreement once it has been approved.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

lis⁄a Bennett, Director

Pamlico County Board of Elections

#### AGREEMENT TO CONDUCT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

The Town of **ORIENTAL**, herein after referred to as the municipality, and the Pamlico County Board of Elections, herein after referred to as the Board, agrees to the following:

- 1. The municipality, by resolution, has authorized the Board to conduct its election as per provisions of NCGS 163-284, 285, 286.
- 2. The municipality has been informed as to the type of voting system to be used, the address of the polling location and the number of Precinct Officials to be used. The parties are in agreement to those terms as evidence in the attached document setting out details of the election to be held, which is made of this agreement by reference. As needed, the parties may modify the attached document as to election needs.
- 3. The municipality agrees to pay the Board the actual cost of conducting the election. The Board has provided an outline of charges as an ESTIMATE and the municipality understands that the actual cost may be different. All candidate filing fees will be credited.
- 4. The municipality (HAS or HAS NOT) authorized Absentee Voting. If Absentee Voting has been authorized, the Board will conduct all functions including, One Stop Voting and Absentee by Mail Voting as well as the statutory meeting requirements of the Board. If there is a change in authorization of Absentee Voting, a resolution or copy of the authorization must be provided to the Board.
- 5. The municipality and the Board pledge to one another full cooperation and open communication in regards to conducting the municipal election. The municipality agrees to provide the Board with any updates to jurisdictional boundaries.
- 6. Any problems or disputes to this agreement or conduction of the election that the parties can not resolve shall be referred to the North Carolina State Board of Elections.

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Municipality	Municipality	<del></del>
Print Name and Title	Signature	
Pamlico County Board of Elections Signature	Chairman	

## TOWN OF ORIENTAL

## 2021 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Tuesday, November 2, 2021

- 1 Mayor and 5 Commissioner seats to be elected to a two-year term
- Election Day voting to be conducted at the Southeast Volunteer Fire Department, 6:30am 7:30pm
- ES&S Model DS200 is the ballot scanner that is used in ALL elections
- The municipality HAS NOT AUTHORIZED ABSENTEE VOTING, beginning in 2021

The Pamlico County Board of Elections will conduct the election in accordance with NCGS Chapter 163 as inexpensive as possible. In 2019, the average cost to conduct a municipal election was \$800.00, without Authorization of Absentee Voting.

While some costs are shared by all municipalities, such as advertising and Board Member fees, some costs are specific to the individual municipality, such as poll worker salaries.

The larger the municipality, the number of candidates that file and the historical turnout all determine how many poll workers are assigned to each location. The minimum number of workers is three and if possible, that is all that we will use. If election assistants need to be added they are appointed in pairs, one from each political party.

Any challenges, protests and recounts will be billed to the individual municipality. While we do not plan for any of these, they are possible and can be very costly due to hearings and transcriptions.

If you have questions or would like a more detailed billing description, please contact me.