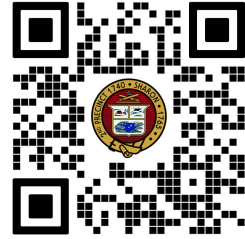




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February 22, 2024

Dear Current and Future Registered Voters,

The Presidential Primary is March 5, 2024, from 7:00am to 8:00pm in the Sharon High School Gymnasium. Please visit <https://www.townofsharon.net/town-clerk/pages/elections-presidential-primary-030524> for useful links and more detailed information for all items below, and more. For your convenience, you can get to this information by scanning the included QR code and clicking on the link for information on the 2024 Presidential Primary.

Register to Vote:

The last day to register to vote for the March 5th Primary is Saturday, February 24th. The Town Clerk's Office will be open from 9:00am – 5:00pm on that day. You may also register until 11:59:59pm online.

Vote By Mail:

As of the writing of this letter, we have packaged and mailed 2,871 Vote By Mail Ballots, with new requests arriving daily. The deadline to request a ballot through the mail is February 27th, by 5:00pm. If you have a Vote By Mail Ballot, I encourage you to avoid the postal system and instead take advantage of our Ballot Drop Box. It is located in the foyer of Town Hall and is available 24/7. Vote By Mail Ballots must be returned to Town Hall. DO NOT bring them to the High School on Primary Day. You can return them up until 8:00pm on March 5th, but it would be preferred to have the ballots back by Friday, March 1st.

Early In-Person Voting:

Will be held at Town Hall from 9:00am to Noon on Saturday, February 24th and Sunday, February 25th. Early In-Person Voting will continue from Monday, February 26th through Friday, March 1st during regular Town Hall business hours.

Tabulator Testing:

On February 28th, starting at 9:00am at the Town Clerk's Office, we will be testing our election equipment. This is a routine requirement prior to any election. The testing is open to observation by the Public.

Advance Processing:

Starting at 9:00am on March 2nd and 3rd, we will be Advance Processing Ballots in the Town Hall Lobby. On March 2nd, we will be opening Early Ballots (both By-Mail and In-Person). Ballots that are opened early will be locked in bins, which will be locked in our vault until March 3rd. On March 3rd, we will be depositing all of the opened ballots through the tabulators. There will be no results printed, and no one will know what they are. The tabulated ballots will be locked into bins and locked again in the vault. The memory cards from the tabulators will then be locked up in the vault until Primary Day. When the polls close, the results from Election Day are run; then the memory cards from Advance Depositing are reinserted into the tabulators, and those results are run. The two are then added together to get the final preliminary results. Advance Processing is open to observation by the Public.

If you have any inquiries, please send my office an email at: vote@townofsharon.org, and we will be happy to help you.

Sincerely,

Mark F. Hogan
Sharon Town Clerk