

Town of Lee

Town Clerk
Memorial Hall - 32 Main Street
Lee, Massachusetts 01238

Dear Candidates:

Our records indicate that you have received nomination papers for the upcoming town elections. Below are some updates based on recent legislation.

In response to the State of Emergency and concerns about COVID-19 and its implications on election administration, the Governor signed a law allowing the Board of Selectmen to vote to postpone the local election. It is important to that the law does **NOT** make any other changes to elections or the election process. It does **NOT**, for example, change the number of signatures or the submission deadline for candidates for office.

Nomination papers are still due on March 30, 2020 by 5pm with 25 signatures of registered voters in the town of Lee for all offices (except town representative which requires 10 from registered voters in the district).

If necessary you may provide multiple nomination papers with fewer signatures per page to avoid contact with multiple people. For example, you could provide a separate paper per household and submit 13 papers with 2 signatures each totaling 26. Also keep in mind that that the signatures must be live ink (we cannot accept electronic or copied papers). Also note that the signature must be legible to be certified. I attached a pdf of the nomination form if you need extra copies.

Returned papers can be mailed (but must arrive by March 30 – <u>not postmarked</u>) or left in the tax drop box in the town hall lobby. Please include an email address and I will send you a receipt. If you would like to drop off the papers in person please contact me **prior** to March 30 to set up an appointment by replying to this email or calling 413-243-5505. More details are available on our website at https://www.lee.ma.us/sites/leema/files/uploads/options for nomination papers to be certified.pdf.

Thank you and please stay safe and healthy!

R. Christopher Brittain
Town Clerk