

MUNICIPAL CHARTERS

elective office in accordance with the provisions of this Charter, arranged in alphabetical order by office with no party designation of any kind. The [Clerk-Treasurer] BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ELECTIONS shall keep the polls open from 12:00 noon until 8:00 P.M. on election days, or for longer hours if the Council requires it.

A new Section 32a shall be added to the Charter as follows:

32A. ELECTION OF MAYOR AND COUNCILMEN.

ON THE SECOND TUESDAY IN MAY IN EVERY ODD-NUMBERED YEAR, THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE TOWN SHALL ELECT ONE PERSON AS MAYOR AND TWO COUNCILMEN TO SERVE FOR TERMS OF TWO YEARS.

33. SPECIAL ELECTIONS.

All special Town elections shall be conducted by the [Clerk-Treasurer] BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ELECTIONS in the same manner and with the same personnel, as far as practicable, as regular Town elections.

34. VOTE COUNT.

Within [twelve] FORTY-EIGHT hours after the closing of the polls, the [Clerk-Treasurer] BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ELECTIONS shall determine the vote cast for each candidate or question and shall certify the results of the election to the Council of the Town. The Clerk-Treasurer shall record the results in the minutes of the Council. The candidate for Mayor with the highest number of votes in the general election shall be declared elected as Mayor. The two candidates for Councilman with the highest number of votes in the general election shall be declared elected Councilmen.

35. PRESERVATION OF BALLOTS.

All ballots used in any Town election shall be preserved for at least six months from the date of the election.

36. VACANCIES.

In case of a vacancy on the Council for any reason, the Council shall elect some qualified person to fill such vacancy for the unexpired term. IN CASE OF A VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF MAYOR FOR ANY REASON, THE COUNCIL SHALL ELECT SOME QUALIFIED PERSON TO FILL THE VACANCY FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE UNEXPIRED TERM. Any vacancies on the Council OR IN THE OFFICE OF MAYOR shall be filled by the favorable votes of a majority of the