



MUNICIPAL ELECTION 2026

Notice of Solicitation of Candidates

The Town of Dewey Beach, Sussex County, Delaware will hold its Annual Municipal Election on Saturday, September 19, 2026. Let this be notice to those persons with intention to file for a Commissioner's seat that they must file as a candidate no later than 5:00pm on Thursday, August 20, 2026.

Term of Office

Two (2) Years – Beginning September 2026 and ended September 2028.

Number of Elected Seats

Two(2).

Candidate Qualifications

- Must not have been convicted of a felony
- Must be at least twenty-one (21) years of age on or before the date of the election
- Must have been a qualified elector in the Town of Dewey Beach for at least one (1) year prior to the date of the election

Candidate Filing Designation

Not fewer than two (2) of the Commissioners serving on the Town Council shall be designated Resident Commissioners. Other Commissioners may also be Resident Commissioners, or qualify as Non-Resident Commissioners. The Commissioner with the title of "Mayor of the Town of Dewey Beach" must be qualified as a Resident Commissioner. If any one of the Commissioners shall, during his/her term of office, fail to continue to be qualified as stated above, he/she shall ipso facto vacate his/her office. The Commissioners shall be the judges of the qualifications of the members.

A Resident Commissioner shall have the following qualifications:

- Be a bona fide resident and domiciliary of the Town, and
- Be an owner of real estate within the town, or
- Be both a settlor/creator and trustee of a valid trust to which real property which is located within the Town has been conveyed, which conveyance is recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds in and for Sussex County, or
- Be a leaseholder of real estate in the Town under a valid lease of a term of five (5) years or more. Any person applying as a leaseholder candidate pursuant to this subsection will be required to include a copy of a valid lease with his or her candidate filing

Non-Resident Commissioners shall have the following qualifications:

- Be an owner of real estate within the town, or
- Be both a settlor/creator and trustee of a valid trust to which real property which is located within the Town has been conveyed, which conveyance is recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds in and for Sussex County, or
- Be a leaseholder of real estate in the Town under a valid lease of a term of five (5) years or more. Any person applying as a leaseholder candidate pursuant to this subsection will be required to include a copy of a valid lease with his or her candidate filing

Those persons with intentions to file as candidates should contact the Town Manager's Office located at 105 Rodney Avenue, Dewey Beach, DE 19971. Filings of an individual's intent to run for office will only be accepted in letter form or other written certification. A person's letter of intent must be accompanied by a completed Candidate Filing Form and Financial Disclosure, available from the town website at www.townofdeweybeach.com. Both documents must be received at the Town Manager's Office no later than 5:00pm on Thursday, August 20, 2026.



CANDIDATE FILING FORM

Please complete this form if you intend to run as a candidate for Commissioner/Mayor in the 2026 Dewey Beach Election. Candidate filing forms are considered public information under the Delaware Freedom of Information Act. This submission does not certify you as an official candidate until your documentation is reviewed and accepted. A signed letter of intent addressed to the Town Manager must accompany this filing form. You may complete this form in person at Town Hall. If completed elsewhere, notarization is required.

Print full name as it is to appear on ballot:

Dewey Beach Address:

Permanent Residence Address (Street, City, State, Zip):

Mailing Address (Street, City, State, Zip):

Phone: Email:

Select One:

I hereby file as a candidate for the Office of Resident Commissioner in the 2026 Municipal Election.

I hereby file as a candidate for the Office of Non-Resident Commissioner in the 2026 Municipal Election.

By signing below, I hereby affirm that all information above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, I will be at least twenty-one (21) years of age on or before the date of the election, I will have been a qualified elector in the Town of Dewey Beach for at least one (1) year prior to the date of the election, that I have not been convicted of a felony, and that I meet all qualifications of Commissioner of Dewey Beach as specified in the Dewey Beach Town Charter.

Full Legal Signature: Date:

This form must be notarized unless it is completed at Dewey Beach Town Hall.

Notary Public Signature: Date:

Office Use Only. Town staff must witness candidate signature if completed at Town Hall, or verify notary signature and stamp/seal. A letter of intent must accompany this form. Please deliver to Town Clerk immediately upon acceptance.

Received By: Date Time

Financial Disclosure Statement

This Financial Disclosure Statement is required by every official and employee

(Please Type or Print with Blue Pen)

Section I. Personal Information

First Name: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____

Spouses:

First Name: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____

Home Address: _____

Telephone Numbers (Optional)

Home: _____

Business: _____

Provide the following information for yourself, spouse, parents, children and siblings. If none, please indicate NONE in the space provided. If additional space is needed, please use additional forms.

- A. List the address of any property located within the town of Dewey Beach in which you or a relative have a financial interest (whether held in your name or that of a 3rd party, LLC, etc)

Address	Self?	Name of relative holding interest
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		

- B. List the name of any business that operates (even partially) in the town of Dewey Beach in which you have a financial interested (including partial). Please include this information for yourself, spouse, parents, children and siblings.

Address	Self?	Name of relative holding interest
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		

Certification

I hereby certify that this Financial Disclosure Statement contains no willful misstatement of fact or omission of material fact and, together with any and all statements previously submitted in writing, constitutes a full disclosure with respect to all matters required by section 10-4 of the Dewey Beach code to the best of my knowledge

Date

Signature