

JAMESTOWN CHARTER TOWNSHIP

2010 General Election Newsletter from your clerk

Be sure to exercise your right to vote!

Polling Place

We have three precincts in the Township.
Precinct #1 votes at the Patmos Library, 2445 Riley St.
Precincts #2 votes on the right side (south) of the Township Hall
Precinct #3 votes on the left (north) side of the Township Hall.

Poll Hours

The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on November 2, 2010.

What precinct are you in?

Precinct #1 – Consists of everyone that lives North of Byron Road and east of 22nd and 24th Ave., including those who live on the north side of Byron Road – up to 24th Ave.

Precinct #2 - Everyone that lives South of Byron Road, including those who live on south side of the street.

Precinct #3 – Everyone that lives North of Byron Rd. and west of 22nd and 24th Ave.

There are no County or Local Proposals on the November General Election Ballot.

If you have voting questions, contact Ruth Pruis, Jamestown Township Clerk @896-8376 or rpruis@twp.jamestown.mi.us

*Some tips to remember when you vote:

- ! Be sure to vote both sides of the ballot.
- ! In a general election, it is fine to split your ticket. You may vote for the person you feel is most qualified in any of the sections.
- ! Do not Aovervote≡ your ballot. Vote for no more than the number of persons the ballot says to vote for in each section.
- ! You may Aundervote≡ your ballot. If you do not care to vote for anyone in a particular section, you may skip that part of the ballot.

There are two state proposals on the ballot:

10-1 A proposal to convene a constitutional convention for the purpose of drafting a general revision of the state constitution.

10-2 A proposal to amend the state constitution to prohibit certain felons from holding elective office and specified types of public employment positions.

ELECTRONIC POLL BOOK VOTING

Possibly you have read about electronic poll book (EPB) voting in the elections held earlier this year and wonder what it is and why you haven't heard about it in Jamestown Township. Therefore I am taking this opportunity to enlighten you! Electronic Poll books are simply scanning your driver's license into a computer which will make your name come up and the precinct worker will then issue you a ballot. You will proceed to vote in exactly the same manner you always have. So instead of waiting for a precinct worker to find your name on the list, it will now show it on the computer.

You will not be seeing EPB in Jamestown Township for the November election. Why not? It simply boils down to cost! To implement EPB in Jamestown Township, every precinct will need a laptop computer and Jamestown does not own them. However, the state of Michigan will be providing these computers with HAVA (Help America Vote Act) money from the Federal government. These computers were not made available by the state for the earlier elections, but next year if the state provides the computers, we plan to change to EP books. In the meantime, trust your election inspectors to be there to help you with your voting needs.

PLEASE NOTE

When you read this, absentee ballots will have been mailed to all who requested them. If you wish to vote absentee and did not receive an application, or if you have questions regarding absentee voting, please contact Ruth Pruis, Jamestown Township Clerk @ 896-8376. You can also go online and check to see if you are registered, where you vote or print an *Absentee Voter Ballot Application*

or www.michigan.gov/vote
www.miottawa.org/elections

REMEMBER TO EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE NOVEMBER 2, 2010.

LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE
IN THE NOVEMBER 2 GENERAL
ELECTION WAS MONDAY, OCT. 4,
2010.

We will be holding an Absent Voter Counting Board where all the AV ballots are counted in the hope of reducing the possibility of lines on Nov. 2!

Please review the sample ballot on the following pages so that you will be familiar with the nominees and the proposals prior to coming to the polls.