

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

Municipal elections are held each year on the first Tuesday, following the first Monday, in November. On this day, no less than two council seats will be open. The Town Council consists of seven members who each serve three-year terms.

Nomination papers to run for office are available at the Town Clerk's office in August. A candidate must collect at least 25 but not more than 100 signatures of voters registered in the Town of Lincoln in order to have their name placed on the ballot.

Each councilor must be a registered voter in the Town and is elected at large. The entire Council represents all residents in Lincoln. Council members elect the Council Chairman and Vice Chairman each November.

For more information contact
Interim Town Clerk Diana Hill
Monday through Friday
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

TOWN COUNCIL

MEMBERS

2009-2010

Stephen Clay, Council Chair

Michael Ireland, Council Vice Chair

Roderick Carr

Samuel Clay

Thora House

Marscella Ireland

David Whalen

The Council meets the second Monday of every month at 7:00 PM. Special meetings may be held at other times with proper notice.

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Welcome



....To a meeting of the
Lincoln
Town Council

*A Citizen's Guide for
attending a meeting of
the Town Council*

RULES OF ORDER

The Town Council is elected by the citizens of Lincoln to perform the people's business. A meeting of the Town Council is the setting whereby the Council conducts this business.

All Town Council meetings are open to the public for observation. The Council provides an opportunity for public input during Open Forum and during public hearings. All other proceedings are for the Council only and the public does not have an opportunity to comment during these items. If a member of the public wishes to speak to an agenda item, the time to do so is during Open Forum or, if there is a public hearing on the subject, during the public hearing.

There are rules and procedures set up for the Town Council and the public to follow to ensure that the Council has time to conduct its business in a professional and timely manner.

The following is a guideline for the public to follow when attending a Town Council meeting.

- If you wish to speak, wait until the Council Chairman has opened the floor to public comments. When the Chairman has recognized you, stand, state your name for the record and the nature of your business.
- All comments must be addressed to the Chairman. Questions cannot be asked of individual Councilors and must be asked through the Chairman.
- The Chairman has the right to set a time limit for public comment. Be prepared to state your business in a brief and concise manner.
- During a public hearing, only the subject matter of the public hearing can be discussed. Any

other matters must be addressed during Open Forum.

- Comments should be courteous. Personal remarks are always out of order.

Profanity and disorderly language or gestures at meetings are prohibited.

- During debate and discussion, the audience shall not disturb the proceedings by whispering, talking or by other distractions. If this occurs, the Chairman can interrupt the speaker and ask that the body quiet down and show courtesy for the speaker.
- Members of the public have one opportunity to speak on an issue.

The Council's Agenda follows a regular order of business in the conduct of its meetings. Copies of the agenda are available the Thursday prior to the regular meeting at the Town Office and also at the meeting.