

## **CITY CLERK OFFICE SPECIAL HOURS & CONSIDERATIONS**

The City Clerk's Office remains closed to the public. Open by appointment only. No walk-ins. This has been in effect since March 01, 2020 and will continue after elections.

### **New (Temporary) Hours Effective September 21, 2020:**

Due to Elections, **hours for appointments will be reduced to 1PM to 5:00PM.**

Please call 203-630-4030 or email [cityclerk@meridenct.gov](mailto:cityclerk@meridenct.gov) to schedule an appointment.

### **Funeral Homes:**

Exceptions will be made for Funeral Homes and Land Closings.

Please call ahead to notify us you are coming.

### **Land Recorders:**

Recordings can also be dropped off at our office with contact information in case there is an issue. Receipts or recording information can be emailed back to recorder.

### **Vital Requests:**

Any requests for birth, death and marriage certificates, dog licenses, etc. can be submitted through the mail or by email to [cityclerk@meridenct.gov](mailto:cityclerk@meridenct.gov)

### **Sports Licenses:**

Fishing licenses can be obtained online at the DEEP Website under the Permits & Licenses tab. **[ct.gov/DEEP/Fishing/](http://ct.gov/DEEP/Fishing/)**

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## **ELECTIONS NOTICES**

### **Important Dates:**

State Mailing Absentee Applications – **Beginning on September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

Absentee Ballots Become Available – **October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020**

First Ballot Mailings Begin – **October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

Election Day – **November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020**

### **Location of Official Ballot Boxes in Meriden:**

**Box #1** – City Hall at the corner of East Main Street and Norwood, next to the marble courtyard.

**Box #2** – City Hall at the handicap ramp entrance on Liberty Street.

**Box #3** – Meriden Public Library, front entrance on Miller Street.

### **ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATIONS:**

▶ The Secretary of the State will be mailing out applications to all eligible voters beginning September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020. **If you have already submitted an application, please disregard the SOTS application.**

▶ If you do not receive an application from the SOTS by September 19<sup>th</sup>, please print an application off of the SOTS website and promptly mail it to the City Clerk's Office or drop it off in one of the Official Ballot Boxes. To print an application [Click Here](#)

- ▶ Please complete the application and submit it to the City Clerk's Office.
- ▶ Applications can be mailed or dropped off in the secure official ballot boxes located around City Hall.

▶ It is recommend to use the Official Ballot Boxes to deliver your applications and return your ballots in a timely manner. Do not rely solely on the postal service.

**▶ We cannot accept faxed or emailed applications. Please ensure you mail or deliver to us an application with an original signature.**

### **ABSENTEE BALLOTS:**

▶ THERE WILL BE NO IN OFFICE VOTING (the exception the issuing of emergency ballots)

▶ Ballots will become available on October 2<sup>nd</sup> and mailings of ballots will begin that day and continue until election day.

▶ Please return your ballot as soon as possible to any of the official ballot boxes around City Hall or at the Meriden Public Library main entrance.

▶ Do NOT wait until Election day to deliver your Absentee Ballot. They should be returned as soon as possible.

### **IN-PERSON VOTING AT POLLS:**

▶ All polling locations will be open for in-person voting on Election Day, November 3, 2020.

▶ If you choose to vote at the polls, please do not submit an absentee ballot. The absentee ballot will be voided if this occurs, so that only the vote cast at the polls will count.

▶ Please remember to practice social distancing, proper mask wearing and hand sanitation at the polling locations for your safety and the safety of others.