

**OFFICIAL CALL**  
*Mass Meeting of the Hopewell Republican Committee  
of the Republican Party of Virginia*

As Chairman of the Hopewell Republican Committee (HRC) of the Republican Party of Virginia (RPV), and pursuant to the Plan of Organization and as recommended and directed by the Committee, I, Brandon Howard, do hereby issue this call for a Mass Meeting to be held at Rosa's Italian Restaurant, 4098 Oaklawn Blvd, Hopewell, VA 23860. Registration starts at 6:00 p.m. local time and the meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. local time on April 23, 2020.

1. Purpose

- 1.1. Nominating a Republican Candidate for Hopewell City Council, Ward 4;
- 1.2. Nominating a Republican Candidate for Hopewell City Council, Ward 5;
- 1.3. Nominating a Republican Candidate for Hopewell City Council, Ward 6;

2. Qualifications for Participation

- 2.1. All legal and qualified voters of The City of Hopewell under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, regardless of race, religion, national origin or sex, who are in accord with the principles of the Republican Party and who are required to express in open meeting orally and in writing to support all of the nominees of the Republican Party for public office in the ensuing election, may participate as members of the Republican Party of Virginia in its mass meetings, party canvasses, conventions or primaries encompassing their respective election districts. Voters are required to produce personal identification such as a valid Driver's License or other form of Photo ID Card. Attendance is required.
- 2.2. In addition to the foregoing, to be in accord with the principles of the Republican Party, unless otherwise stipulated by the appropriate Official Committee, a person otherwise qualified hereunder shall not have participated in Virginia in the nomination process of a party other than the Republican Party within the last five years. A single exception to this shall be approved for a voter that renounces affiliation with any other party in writing, and who expresses in writing that he/she is in accord with the principles of the Republican Party and intends, at the time of the writing, to support the nominee of the Republican Party in the future. Any voter that utilizes the foregoing exception, and thereafter participates in the nomination process of a party other than the Republican Party, shall not have the benefit of the exception identified in this paragraph thereafter.
- 2.3. Every voting participant in the Mass Meeting shall sign a Statement of Intent, as noted above, before being registered to participate.
- 2.4. Military Members
  - 2.4.1. Military Members (any members of the Virginia National Guard, or the United States Armed Forces, Merchant Marine, or Coast Guard currently serving on active duty) may be certified as delegates by complying with the procedures detailed in a Unit's call pursuant to Art. VIII, Sec. H, para. 6.

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Military Member that are unable to attend the Mass meeting in person due to obligations of their official military orders, shall have their votes cast according to candidate preference ballots.

- 2.4.2. Candidate preference ballots will be made available by the City Committee no later than March 13, 2020 upon request by e-mail to hrc.chairman@gmail.com. Candidate preference ballots must be received by the Hopewell Chairman no later than 5:00 p.m. April 17, 2020 by e-mail to hrc.chairman@gmail.com or by physical delivery to 809 North Ave, Hopewell, VA 23860, post mark does not govern.

### 3. Filing Requirements

- 3.1. Candidates for the Republican Nomination of Hopewell City Council, Ward 4 shall complete a pre-file form plus pay a mandatory \$100.00 Filing;
  - 3.1.1.1. Candidates shall submit their Pre-file form and fees by mail or in person to be received by HRC Treasurer, Martin Mitchell, at 3308 Ivor St, Hopewell, VA 23860, by 5:00 P.M. by February 28, 2020. Postmark does not govern;
  - 3.1.1.2. If only one person meets the filing requirements that person shall be declared the Republican Nominee.
- 3.2. Candidates for the Republican Nomination of Hopewell City Council, Ward 5 shall complete a pre-file form plus pay a mandatory \$100.00 Filing;
  - 3.2.1.1. Candidates shall submit their Pre-file form and fees by mail or in person to be received by HRC Treasurer, Martin Mitchell, at 3308 Ivor St, Hopewell, VA 23860, by 5:00 P.M. by February 28, 2020. Postmark does not govern;
  - 3.2.1.2. If only one person meets the filing requirements that person shall be declared the Republican Nominee.
- 3.3. Candidates for the Republican Nomination of Hopewell City Council, Ward 6 shall complete a pre-file form plus pay a mandatory \$100.00 Filing;
  - 3.3.1.1. Candidates shall submit their Pre-file form and fees by mail or in person to be received by HRC Treasurer, Martin Mitchell, at 3308 Ivor St, Hopewell, VA 23860, by 5:00 P.M. by February 28, 2020. Postmark does not govern;
- 3.4. If only one person meets the filing requirements that person shall be declared the Republican Nominee.
- 3.5. All fees paid by check or money order are to be made payable to Hopewell Republican Committee;
- 3.6. All submitted pre-file forms shall be completely and correctly filled out with all fees paid clearly indicated, signed and dated to be considered by the Nominating Committee;
- 3.7. Pre-file form received after pre-file dead line and/ or incomplete Pre-file forms will not be considered by the Nominating Committee and any/ all paid associated fees are deemed a nonrefundable donation to the Hopewell Republican Committee;
- 3.8. Fees paid in cash should not be mailed, but rather be paid in person to HRC Treasurer, Martin Mitchell, at 3308 Ivor St, Hopewell, VA 23860;

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- 3.8.1. Contact the HRC Treasure, Martin Mitchell, by telephone to make an appointment for cash payments of fees. (804) 536-8380.
    - 3.8.2. HRC does not take any responsibility for lost payment sent through the mail or any other form of delivery methods;
  - 3.9. All elected Nominees at Mass Meeting will be reported to the Republican Party of Virginia and the Virginia Department of Elections.
  - 3.10. If only one person or no person pre-files in each race to be nominated, the Mass Meeting will be canceled and all deemed Nominees will be reported to the Republican Party of Virginia and the Virginia Department of Elections.
4. FEES
- 4.1. All fees collected for the HRC Mass Meeting are nonrefundable and are deemed as a donation to the HRC.
  - 4.2. To assist the operations of the Hopewell Republican Committee in supporting the unit Mass Meetings, a Registration Fee of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) is requested of each person participating in the Mass Meeting.
  - 4.3. With the exception of the Participation Fees, which may be paid at registration at Mass Meeting, all other fees shall be received by HRC Treasurer, Martin Mitchell, at 3308 Ivor St, Hopewell, VA 23860, by 5:00 P.M. by February 28, 2020. Postmark does not govern;
5. CALL REVISIONS
- 5.1. The HRC Chairman is authorized to revise the issued Call to make any such technical or conforming changes in the event such changes are necessary.
  - 5.2. The City Chairman must promptly notify the City Committee of any such technical or conforming changes.
6. PUBLICATION OF CALL
- 6.1. Convention call will be posted online as permitted by RPV Party Plan and distributed by other electronic means. Newspaper publication is waived.
  - 6.2. This document was approved by the Hopewell Republican Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia on February 13, 2020.