

## LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Blackstone Town Council shall hold a Public Hearing at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Town Council on April 18, 2022 at 7:00 o'clock p.m. This Public Hearing is held to present comments received regarding redistricting, proposed modifications to Ward boundaries and the location of polling places. Additionally, the public is encouraged to attend to participate or make presentation regarding redistricting.

In accordance with Volume 5A, Title 24.2, Elections, of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended and pursuant to Sections 24.2-129 and 24.2-306, the Blackstone Town Council hereby gives notice of certain proposed amendments to the Code of the Town of Blackstone regarding the voting ward boundary lines and the location of certain polling places. In order to correct population deviations in the election wards as determined by the 2020 decennial census, some lines in each of the five voting wards are proposed to be modified. If approved, the changes to each ward would be as follows:

**Ward A:** Areas along Sullivan Street, Mann Street and Cryors Road shall move to Ward E, areas along South Main Street shall move to Ward C and areas along West Entrance Road shall be added to Ward A;

**Ward B:** Areas along Tenth Street and College Avenue shall move to Ward C and areas along South Main Street and Lunenburg Avenue shall be added to Ward B;

**Ward C:** Areas along South Main Street and Lunenburg Avenue shall move to Ward B and areas along South Main Street, Brown Street, Tenth Street and College Road shall be added to Ward C;

**Ward D:** Areas along Maben and Gravatt Avenues shall be added to Ward D;

**Ward E:** Areas along Maben and Gravatt Avenues shall move to Ward D and areas along Sullivan Street, Mann Street and Cryors Road shall be added to Ward E.

Additionally, the five current polling places at: Blackstone Police Department located on West Elm Street, Nottoway County Music Building located on South Harris Street, Nottoway County Rescue Squad Building located on Third Street, Blackstone Public Works Building located on Church Street and Blackstone Town Hall located on West Elm Street are proposed to be consolidated into two polling places which would correspond with Nottoway County's two current polling places. These being the Blackstone Police Department and the Blackstone Primary School.

Names of the following polling places are being updated:

The Town Council will accept public comments for a period of 30 days, commencing on March 24, 2022. Interested persons may submit data, views, and arguments in writing by mail, facsimile, or email. If by mail, please submit the comments to: Town of Blackstone, 100 W. Elm Street, Blackstone, Va. 23824. If by e-mail, please submit the comments to: Philipv@townofblackstoneva.com. If by phone, please call: (434) 292-7251.

Copies of the above files and full text of the proposed amendments are available for review in the Blackstone Town Hall, 100 Elm Street, Blackstone, Virginia 23824.