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Introduced by: Mayor Jermaine D. Hatton
Introduced on: January 20, 2016

ORDINANCE NO. 16-01

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF TOWNSEND CONCERNING TOWN ELECTIONS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF TOWNSEND (a majority of the members elected thereto concurring therein):

Section 1. Amend Ordinance No. 23, Section 1 of the Code of Ordinances, Town of Townsend, Delaware by striking the following language:

“upon the last list of registered voters of the Town of Townsend.”

and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

“as provided from/by the New Castle County Department of Elections.”

Section 2. Amend Ordinance No. 23, Section 2 of the Code of Ordinances and Section 22.1 of the Codified Book, Town of Townsend, Delaware by striking in its entirety, and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

“It shall be the responsibility of the Council to keep a list of registered voters as provided by the New Castle County Department of Elections. Council may delegate this responsibility to the Town Clerk.”

Section 3. Amend Ordinance No. 23, Section 4 of the Code of Ordinances and Section 22.3 of the Codified Book, Town of Townsend, Delaware by striking in its entirety, and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

“All Town of Townsend residents are required to register with the State of Delaware Department of Elections – Office of the State Election Commissioner no later than two weeks prior to the Town Municipal Election; which is held the first Saturday in May.”

Section 4. Amend Ordinance No. 23, Section 5 of the Code of Ordinances and Section 22.4 of the Codified Book, Town of Townsend, Delaware by striking in its entirety, and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

“The New Castle County Board of Elections shall remove those names of voters from the registration list who have either moved from the Town, no longer own property within the incorporated Town limits or are otherwise disqualified from voting.”

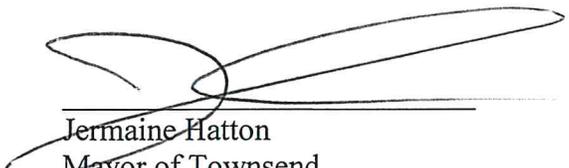
Section 5. If any provision of this Act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this Act, or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances shall remain unaffected.

Section 6. This Act shall become effective immediately upon its passage into law.

SYNOPSIS

This Act changes *how and where Town residents are to register for Town Municipal Elections.*

Introduction:	January 20, 2016
Publication of Fair Summary:	January 21, 2016
Public Hearing:	February 3, 2016
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