

Thomas McDonald, Mayor  
Edgar Dugan, Councilman  
Patrick Miller, Councilman  
Anthony Franco, Councilman  
Scott Lobdell, Councilman



Anthony S. Mangeri, Town Manager  
Jennifer Helms, Financial Officer  
Antonina Tantillo, Town Clerk  
Ed Van-Otoo, Town Engineer  
Fred Townsend, III, Town Attorney

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## 2020 Town of Townsend Council Reorganization

**Townsend, DE**—On July 1, 2020, the Town of Townsend Town Council held its annual reorganization meeting. At this meeting, the two sole candidates for Town Council were seated in accordance with the Town Ordinance. After the two Councilman were seated, the Council elected Mayor Thomas McDonald to another term as Mayor of the Town of Townsend.

Per the Town Clerk, Antonina Tantillo, there was only one candidate for each of the two Council positions available for election. The 2020 election was delayed due to the current State of Emergency issued by Governor Carney related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Councilman Edgar Dugan and Councilman Patrick Miller were re-elected for a two-year term. Due to the State of Emergency related to COVID-19, both Councilman continued in their position until the election process could be completed. Their term will expire in June 2022. With only one candidate per position, there is no need for a local election to take place and the candidates were sworn-in at the reorganization meeting of the Town Council.

Councilman Dugan, was first elected to Town Council in 2018. Councilman Dugan will continue to Chair the Public Works Committee and serve as the Co-Chair the Finance Committee and Land Use and Development Committee.

Councilman Miller was first appointed to council in 2019 to fill a vacated seat. Councilman Miller will continue to Chair the Human Resources, Public Safety and Veterans Committees and Co-Chair the Parks & Recreation Committee. Councilman Miller is a retired Navy Officer and Veteran of the Gulf War.

Mayor McDonald has been active in the Townsend Community, having served in several positions in the past, including serving on Town Council. Mayor McDonald was elected to Council in 2019 and has been Mayor for the past year. Mayor McDonald will serve a 1 year term.

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