

2017 MUNICIPAL ELECTION CALENDAR

Municipalities Under Town Meeting Act

The Town Meeting Act is found at Title 11 of the Oklahoma Statutes, Sections 16-301 through 16-315.
Filing the Notice of Election with the County Election Board does not apply to towns under the Town Meeting Act.

March 24, 2017 – Notice of Election Resolution

Town meetings are subject to the Open Meeting Act. Towns are required to publish notice and agenda of biennial town meeting at least **10** days prior to the date of the meeting in a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality. If no paper exists, notice and agenda must be posted in at least **five public places**. Notice shall list offices to be filled, number of officer for four-year terms, number of officers to fill unexpired terms, and any question(s) to be voted on. (11 O.S. §16-304)

April 3, 2017 – Salary Changes

Any change in salary for newly elected officials must be passed by ordinance **before the election on April 4th**.
****The salary change will only apply to those officials whose terms begin after the election.****

April 4, 2017 - Election

First Tuesday in April of odd-numbered years for biennial town elections. (11 O.S. §16-303)

April 5 - 7, 2017 – Contesting Results

Any person nominated for municipal office may contest the announced results of the election by filing a written petition with the district court of any county in which the municipality is located. This must be done before 5:00 p.m. of the third business (April 7th) day following the election. Certificates may be issued to the successful candidates after that time. (11 O.S. §16-310)

April 17, 2017 – Taking Office

The term of office for an elected official shall begin at 12:00 noon on the second Monday following the general municipal election (11 O.S. § 8-102). Elected officials may be sworn in before that time. The oath of office may be taken outside of a meeting if a swearing-in ceremony cannot be arranged in a timely manner. Oaths can be administered by all officers authorized by state law including, the mayor, municipal clerk, city manager, municipal judge and such other officers as the municipal governing body has authorized (11 O.S. § 8-104)

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Champions For Effective Local Government

The Oklahoma Municipal League, Inc., is a statewide association of more than 450 cities and towns. This non-partisan, nonprofit corporation is governed by a Board of Directors of elected and appointed municipal officials who meet monthly.

By working together through OML, municipal officials formulate programs and unite in concerted action for the benefit of their communities. This united effort is a strong influence in achieving common goals.

Founded just six years after statehood, OML has become recognized as the spokesperson for Oklahoma's municipal governments. The League is headquartered in Oklahoma City, just one block west of the State Capital complex.

Services to member cities and towns include:

- acting as a clearinghouse of information on federal and state policies affecting municipal governments;
- answering specific inquiries from city and town officials on a daily basis;
- conducting training and education programs for municipal officials;
- providing special reports;
- meeting with state and federal officials on issues affecting cities and towns and their citizens;