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Zoom information for the Town Meeting this Friday, December 3rd

Friends and neighbors,

I hope you all enjoyed time with friends and family over the holiday.

This Friday, a Town Meeting is scheduled for 7:oop via Zoom. The meeting, as stated in the public notice on the Town website, is required pursuant to Title 7 in the CT General Statutes, and supporting documentation can be found on the Town website by clicking here. This communication details some important information and tips for a smooth and productive meeting.

Please read all of these instructions thoroughly so you understand the flow for the evening.

Stay well,

Jean

Who can vote at a Town Meeting?

To vote at the meeting, you must be a registered voter in Kent, or own property in Kent assessed at more than $1,000.00 (see below for details).

If you are unsure of your voter eligibility status, you can look up your voter status on the Connecticut Secretary of State Voter Registration Lookup website. If you are not registered to vote, you can register to vote online through the Connecticut Secretary of State Online Voter Registration Portal.

In order to vote at the meeting, cutoff for registering is Friday December 3rd at 5:00p.

- **Eligible voters are those who are either:**
    - a) a registered voter in the town of Kent or;
    - b) a property owner in the town of Kent whose property is assessed at more than $1,000.00 on the Grand List as of October 1st, 2021.
- **ID will be required in order to be eligible to vote.**
    - Acceptable forms of identification:
        - Driver's license
        - Social security card
        - Passport
        - Any document that includes:
            - your name and signature; or
            - name and address; or
            - name and photograph.
        - examples can be found at the State of CT voter ID website.

Guidance for attending and voting via Zoom

To attend the meeting, click on the link at the bottom of this email.

In order to vote, attendees must be verified by the Registrars of Voters prior to the start of the meeting. **In order to save time, please make sure your Zoom profile displays your correct first and last name (no nicknames please!).**

Please read these important steps prior to the meeting:

- The Zoom link for the meeting will be active one hour before the start of the meeting, beginning at 6:oop. This is in order for the Registrars of Voters (ROVs) to verify attendees' voter eligibility.
- Please log in as early as possible so we can get everyone checked in.
- If more than one resident in a household is eligible to vote, they must be logged into the Zoom meeting with separate devices. **Only one poll vote is allowed per device.**
- Devices must have video and audio for voter verification. Information on how to join a Zoom meeting can be found on the Zoom website.

Process for voter verification:

- When you click the link or log into the Zoom meeting, you will be placed in a "waiting room". The ROVs will admit attendees one at a time into the meeting to verify them. Please be patient and be prepared to wait.
- Once you have been admitted, the ROVs will ask you to present identification for voter verification. Please have your ID ready to present on your video to the ROVs. (Note: if your Zoom profile does not display your correct name, your name will be corrected for the meeting).
- Once the ROVs have verified your voter eligibility, you will be placed back in the waiting room until 7:oop when the meeting begins.

Process for voting:

- By remotely voting, the Town of Kent is accepting your representation that the person voting is who they state they are, and by the act of voting, the voter is making that express representation.
- At the time of each motion, non-voting participants will be placed into the waiting room.
- Attendees will be asked to vote via a Zoom poll. All questions have only three options: "yes" or "no" or "abstain". Click on your choice and click "submit." It's that easy!
- For each motion, the Zoom results will be displayed by the moderator once all participants are brought back into the meeting. This may take a few moments so please be patient.

Four important things to remember:

1. Login to the Zoom meeting as early as possible (registration opens at 6:oop) - the Registrars need ample time to verify everyone;
2. Make sure display name of your Zoom profile shows your first and last name (no nicknames please!), to save the Registrars time.
3. Have your ID ready to show the Registrars so they can verify you are eligible to vote (if you do not have your ID ready when they bring you in from the waiting room, you will be placed back in the waiting room).
4. Please be patient! The team is doing their very best to keep the meeting moving and organized.

If you have any questions, please contact Town Clerk Darlene Brady at 860.927.3433 or townclerk@townofkentct.org.

Zoom meeting link:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82127927766?pwd=RVZCV3RBeGgyV0JkQ3ZCQm4rcDNJdz09

Zoom meeting ID: 821 2792 7766
Passcode: 825186

visit our website: www.townofkentct.org