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Important Dates
Thur. Oct. 22nd: HOA Sponsored POA Candidate Forum Tues. Oct. 27th: Last Day to Request Absentee Mail-In Ballot for Nov. 3rd Election Mon. Oct. 19th - Fri. Oct. 23rd : Early Voting in Tellico Village Thur. Oct. 29th: Last Day of Early Voting Tues. Nov. 3rd: Presidential Election Day Tues. Nov. 10th: HOA Social CANCELLED Mon. Nov. 16 to Fri. Nov. 20th: HOA Board Election and By-Law Ratification Thur. Nov. 19th: Welcome Orientation

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NOVEMBER 3rd FEDERAL/STATE ELECTION



Time is running out! If you have not yet voted in this important Election you don't have much time. Here is what you need to know.

Early voting will end on Thur. Oct. 29th. The following is a list of times and locations.

Loudon County

- Loudon County Office Building - 100 River Road, Loudon TN
- Roane State Community College - 100 West Broadway, Lenoir City TN

Voting Hours: Monday through Fridays from 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. and Saturdays from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon. Closing Hours are extended to 8:00 P.M. on Wed. Oct. 28th and Thur. Oct. 29th.

Monroe County:

- Monroe County Election Commission - 401 Main Street, Madisonville TN
- Tellico Plains Community Center - 132 Bank Street, Tellico Plains TN (Oct. 24-29)

Voting Hours: Monday through Fridays from 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. and Saturdays from 8:30 A.M. through 12:00 Noon. **Tellico Plains does not open until 9:00 A.M.**

Nov. 3rd Voting

Loudon County:

- District 7: Tellico Village North and South - Community Church at Tellico Village - 130 Chota Center
- Dist. 1: Piney Ruritan - 2890 Davis Ferry Rd. Loudon TN

Voting Hours: 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Monroe County:

- Kahite: Vonore Elementary School - 1134 Hwy 411 Vonore TN

Voting Hours: 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.

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President's Message

by Ken Litke



We Need Your Vote!

By the time you are reading this edition of Voice, HOA will have hosted one of our most important advocating activities of the year – the annual “POA Candidates Forum”. Hopefully you were able to watch this live streamed event but in case you missed, the forum was recorded and available for viewing on the TVB YouTube Channel Link below:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dh2IH9LztKQ>

Voting for the two open POA Board position will begin November 1st and will be done electronically – watch for emails and instructions from the POA.

There are two other significant voting events in November for HOA members:

Election of 2021 HOA Officers: I'd like to thank the Nominating Committee and all the volunteers who have agreed to serve on the 2021 HOA Board – the proposed nominated slate has been emailed to all HOA members for their review.

Revision of HOA Bylaws: The HOA Board recently approved some needed modifications to the existing By-law which now need to be ratified by the membership before becoming effective. The reason for the changes is to clarify wording and duties that are spelled out in the current by-laws and to make provisions to allow the HOA to continue to operate remotely when circumstances like the Covid-19 pandemic keeps us from meeting in person. Current and proposed have been email to the membership for review.

Membership voting for the 2021 HOA Board positions & voting to ratify the By-Law changes will be carried out electronically from Nov. 16th -20th – watch your email for instructions and please vote.

Lastly, I would like to remind members that we are in the midst of our annual HOA Membership drive - by renewing your membership (and encouraging others who aren't members to also join) you show your support of our ongoing and future activities - we look forward to the day when we can fully resume normal activities helping make Tellico Village a better and more enjoyable place to live.

Stay well!

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HOA BOARD ELECTION & BY-LAW RATIFICATION

HOA 2021 Slate of Candidates & Proposed By-Law Change Notification

The following is the slate of candidates the HOA Board placed in nomination at the Monday, Oct. 12th Board Meeting to serve in 2021. Nominations are open to any HOA member and will be accepted by email until Friday, November 6th. You must be an HOA member to nominate and to serve as an officer of the HOA. Elections will be held electronically from Nov. 16th- 20th.

To place the name of a member into nomination you must submit the name of the nominee, the position you are nominating them for, and the name of the nominator. Submit this information by Nov. 6th to the HOA e-mail address: hoatv.org@gmail.com.

Elected Offices	Nominee
President	Ken Litke
VP of Programs	Dennis Dougherty
VP of Advocacy	Mark Pantley
VP of Membership	Barbara Burke
VP of Communications and Marketing	George Curran
VP of Technology	KC Babb
VP of Social Planning	Sheryl Warmbold
VP of Event Planning	Tony Bridges
Secretary	Chris Trepal
Treasurer	Harry Axt
Chair at Large	David Warmbold
Neighborhood Watch	Chris Sanders
Welcome Orientation	Christie Bruns
Past President	Ellen Fox

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Proposed By-Law Changes

The HOA Board voted, at their Oct. 12th Board Meeting, to make changes to the existing By-Laws. These changes need to be ratified by the membership.

The reason for the changes is to clarify wording and duties that are spelled out in the current by-laws and to make provisions to allow the HOA to continue to operate remotely when circumstances like the Covid-19 pandemic keeps us from meeting in person.

A copy of the Current By-Laws and the By-Law Changes can be viewed on the HOA website hoatellcovillage.com. You can also find them by clicking one of these links:

- [Current By-Laws](#)
- [By-Law Changes](#)

Comments can be submitted to the HOA email address hoatv.org@gmail.com until Fri. Nov. 6th. Please use 'By-Law Comments' in the subject block in order to help us retrieve them.

Unfortunately, we are not able to meet in person to complete this important task so the balloting for HOA Board positions and to ratify the By-Law changes will be carried out electronically from Nov. 16th -20th. Information and voting instructions will be posted explaining how to vote and how we will report the results.

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Introducing Loudon County Commissioners

By Gail Link



Last month the Voice introduced Loudon County government in an article that described the Loudon County Commission and the other officers that participate in county departments. At the end of the article I promised a follow-up to introduce the Commissioners in Districts 1 and 7 who work with the residents of Tellico Village. This is their story!

INTRODUCING HENRY CULLEN

Before we share Henry's thoughts on Loudon County and Tellico Village issues, let's take some time to meet him

- A Tellico Village resident since 2003 the Cullen's moved here from Atlanta, Georgia.
- Henry and Cathy, who have known each other since grammar school, are parents of 3 sons and grandparents of 2 grandsons and 2 granddaughters.
- Henry is an ex-Ford man with experience in sales, marketing, and customer service.
- Henry, who is an advanced EMT, was the Tellico Village fire chief from 2004 – 2012. He is proud of developing the model that turned our fire department into a respected organization in the village.
- Henry ran for Loudon County Commissioner in 2014 at the suggestion of many residents of the county. Commissioners are elected by the residents of their district every 4 years.
- After winning a second term as commissioner in 2018, Henry was elected Commission Chairman by his peers for one-year terms in 2018 through 2021.
- For fun – well besides being a Loudon County Commissioner Henry enjoys boating, travel, and first and foremost time with his grandchildren.
- Henry agrees with other residents of Tellico Village who say they moved to TN to 1) enjoy life, 2) gaze at the beautiful scenery, and 3) get a raise in income through Loudon County's low taxes.

Henry's thoughts –

- Since Henry's 7th District is comprised of Tellico Village (all but the far northern section), Henry feels that his 17 years in the Village give him not only a past, present, and future perspective on Village issues, but also his government experience has contributed to an in-depth knowledge of TN state, county and local government process.
- Henry counts as his biggest accomplishments in serving as a Loudon County Commissioner the following –

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- 1) Serving as vice-chairman of the County Budget Committee where during his time the property tax rate has not increased, the budget has remained fiscally conservative with a healthy fund balance, and funding from the county to the Tellico Village library and fire department and Smoky Mountain Service Dogs has increased.
- 2) Henry is proud of his important role in negotiating the sale of 430 tax delinquent lots from Loudon County to POA of Tellico Village.
- 3) While participating on Loudon County's committee for the new jail, Henry assisted in the decision-making that brought the jail to completion with no tax increase for Loudon County residents.
- 4) To highlight a current issue Henry is proud that the Loudon County conservative budget, created by the county budget committee and approved by the Commission, has remained solvent and healthy even with the income decrease necessitated by COVID-19 restrictions.

Henry emphasized these important issues that need action by the Loudon County commissioners and their chairman –

- 1) Completion of the Loudon County courthouse repairs and rebuild
- 2) Continued economic growth for Loudon County
- 3) Education of Tellico Village residents regarding what Loudon County can and cannot do for Tellico Village since the Village is a private subdivision. For a starter – It is illegal for Loudon County to give public funds (property tax income) to a private entity (Tellico Village).

Nice to meet you Henry! In the next issue we will introduce the commissioners for Districts 1 – Kelly Littleton-Brewster and Dave Meers.

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HOA WELCOME ORIENTATION

Thursday, November 19th 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The HOA Welcome Orientation is your introduction to Tellico Village. presented by the HOA. It will be held in the 5th Floor Gallery Room at the Yacht Club from 6:30 pm - 8:00 p.m. This event presents an excellent opportunity to gain valuable overview of the community and our key organizations. Additionally, it provides important information that can be of benefit to you as a new resident of Tellico Village. If you are new to the village or you know someone who would benefit from this, we urge you to sign up.

Registration is required for this event and is limited to 50. No walk-ins allowed.

Masks are required.

To make a reservation go to the [TellicoLife Calendar](#) and register. For more information, please contact Christie Bruns by email at christiebtv@gmail.com.

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POA BOARD ELECTION

The process of electing 2 candidates to serve on the POA Board of Directors beginning in 2021 is under way. Three candidates have been nominated to vie for the 2 seats, their names are Mike Blackwell, Rick Blough (i), and Pat White (i) *incumbent*. Biographies of the candidates can be found on the [HOA website](#). Information on how to watch the previously recorded HOA sponsored POA Candidates Forum can be found below.

Information and dates provided below can be found in the Sept. 25th Tell-E-Gram.

Sat. Oct. 29th: All election materials to be mailed on this date (or the following business day) as stated in the election rules.

Sun. Nov. 1st: Election officially opens on VoteNet or by paper ballot at 12:01 A.M.

Fri. Nov. 19th: Ballots (Electronic and Paper) must be received by VoteNet by 12:00 P.M. Eastern Standard Time. Polls CLOSE at noon.

Fri. Nov. 20: Official announcement results begins as 2:00 P.M. election committee sends report of election results to Board of Directors for Certification.

Wed. Dec. 16th: December Board Meeting - Certification of Election Results and Announcement of new Board members.

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THE POA BOARD CANDIDATES FORUM WAS HELD THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22ND

Watch the Replay on Tellico Village Broadcasting

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dh2IH9LztKQ>

During the forum, the audience got a chance to meet the three candidates running for the two open POA Board positions: Pat White, Mike Blackwell, and Rick Blough.

The event was broadcast live by TVB from the 5th floor of the Yacht Club. In addition, seating was available on the lower level to watch the event live on a big screen. All viewers and attendees were able to submit questions during the live broadcast using CHAT.

The candidates introduced themselves, explained why they were running for the board and were the best candidate for the position. Prior to their introductions, Mitzi Lane, COO of Tellico Village, explained the POA Board responsibilities and expectations, and why the board positions are so important to Tellico Village.

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The candidates then answered prepared questions in nine categories. In addition, some questions from the audience were also addressed. The following audience questions were not able to be answered due to time constraints:

- **Do you support obtaining a professional reserve study that documents the anticipated lives of ALL our components, estimates the repair/replacement costs, prepares a 30-year funding plan**
- **If yes to a reserve study, would you support a separate reserve fund that protects the reserve monies from being used for other purposes.**
- **As a POA Board member, what new amenities do you envision will attract future residents to our community?**
- **How can we the people of Tellico Village promote the election of village members to county board seats to present our positions here within our village**

These questions are being submitted to the candidates by the HOA, requesting a written reply. Once we have received their responses, we will publish them in a future edition of the HOA Voice.

Your HOA wants to thank the candidates and presenters for agreeing to participate in the forum and their thorough preparation. We also want to thank the TVB team and many volunteers who helped put on this event.

“For questions or more information, please contact Dennis Dougherty, HOA Vice President-Programs at dpd@dpdougherty.com”

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HOA 2021 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE UNDERWAY!

You can easily renew your 2021 HOA Membership by logging in to [TellicoLife](#).

HOA is **your voice** in important matters affecting Tellico Village property values, infrastructure, lifestyle and social environment. Your continued membership in the HOA provides you with the Voice to “**Be Engaged – Be Informed – Be Heard**” on matters within Tellico Village.

IT IS TIME TO
RENEW!

Significant benefits of HOA membership are:

- Homeowner advocacy on issues & concerns to the POA Board and POA committees.
- Monthly HOA Socials with over 100 sponsored activities and events in normal years
- Open Village meetings on pertinent topics – POA “Candidate Forum” coming soon in Oct!
- Monthly “HOA Voice of the Village” emails
- Special “Voice” emails on important topics to homeowners such as elections
- Neighborhood Watch program
- Surveys to express your opinion on important issues
- Liaisons to local government and TDOT to stay on top of issues that may affect Tellico Village.

Membership continues to be a DEAL at \$10.00 per household when you sign up using [TellicoLife](#) and paying by credit card.

We appreciate your support during this difficult year – please renew and help HOA continue to carry on our important advocacy work in the coming year.

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EVENT PLANNING



Have you ever thought of an event and thought it would be a great activity for HOA to do during the pandemic? Would you like to join a dynamic group having lots of fun putting on COVID safe events? Well, HOA would like to hold more social events but we're needing additional creative volunteers with 'out of the box" thinking to dream up, organize, and run activities safely - especially now with colder weather driving activities indoors.

So, if you wish the HOA was holding more Social Events, now is your time to step forward and help out with a great team of people. Please contact Jack McElligott at jackmcelligott24@gmail.com .

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LITERATURE AND LOCAL HISTORY ROAD RALLY

Fun Road Rally to explore Loudon, Lenoir City and Vonore using clues to find monuments and historic images. Explore 8 neighborhoods in Tellico Village looking for clues to decipher titles of books.

Saturday, November 7, 2020 10:00 – 5:00 Pick up packet of clues – one packet per car – at the Tellico Village Library between 10:00 and 11:00.

Follow the clues to solve the riddles/puzzles. Bring a cell phone to take photos and your imagination to decipher the book titles. Return packets between 3:00 and 5:00 to qualify for the prize. If more than one qualified winner, winner's name will be pulled from hat. Winners will be notified by phone.

15% off per table from AWE valid Nov 8 – 12 with ticket Prizes include one \$100 gift card from Carmichael Inn in Loudon and bottles of wine to winners drawn at random.

Friends \$15 pp. Others \$20 pp.

All participants must have a ticket.

Tickets available at the Tellico Village Library beginning October 1 .

Thank you for supporting this event, sponsored by the Friends of the Tellico Village Library (FOTVL). Friends memberships are the core of the Library's financial well-being, so please renew or become our Friend.