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LAST WEEK TO REQUEST ABSENTEE BALLOTS FOR SPECIAL – TOWN OF HYDRO NOVEMBERY 9, 2021 ELECTION

The deadline to request absentee ballots by mail is approaching. Applications must be received by the County Election Board no later than 5 p.m. Tuesday, NOVEMBER 2. 2021.

BLAINECounty Election Board Secretary, BRENDA RICE, says absentee voting is available to all voters and can be submitted several ways.

"In Oklahoma, no excuse is needed to vote by absentee ballot, and it's easy to apply! Voters can submit their application online, in-person, by fax, mail, or even email."

Voters can apply online using the OK Voter Portal at <u>oklahoma.gov/elections/ovp</u>. Applications are also available at the County Election Board or can be downloaded at <u>oklahoma.gov/elections</u>.

RICE reminds voters that only the applicant can submit his or her own absentee ballot application. It is against the law to submit an absentee ballot application for another person. Voters who submit their application in-person at the County Election Board will be asked to provide proof of identity.

Voters with questions about absentee voting should contact the County Election Board at 580-623-5518.

The BLSINR County Election Board is located at 212 N WEIGLE, WATONGA, OK and is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., MONDAY through FRIDAY.