

# Annual Budget Vote and Trustee Election - Tuesday, April 2nd

The Mastics-Moriches-Shirley Community Library has scheduled Tuesday, April 2 as the date of the annual vote on the library's 2024-2025 budget and trustee election.

Voting will take place at the Mastic Beach Satellite Branch, 369 Neighborhood Road, between the hours of 9:00 am to 9:00 pm.

Because the presidential primary also takes place on April 2, the Suffolk County Board of Elections has advised jurisdictions countywide that no voting machines would be available for use during the period from March 1 to May 1. As a result, the April 2 library vote will take place using paper ballots.

Paper ballot voting is overseen by trained, certified poll workers from the Suffolk County Board of Elections and is conducted on a nonpartisan basis. A number of other library districts around the county routinely use paper balloting in their budget votes, including the Longwood and Center Moriches public libraries.

"Our trustees weighed the available options and determined that this was the only practical way to proceed," said Library Director Kerri Rosalia. "Our state-mandated calendar made this the best option."

Except for a few eastern Long Island districts with seasonal populations, most Suffolk County libraries hold their budget and trustee votes on the first Tuesday in April.

## IMPORTANT DATES:

Petitions for trustee available in person	Tues., Feb. 6th
Application for absentee ballot available	Wed., Feb. 14th
Trustee nominating petitions due	Mon., Mar. 4th by 5pm
Budget available to public	Tue., Mar. 19th
Board mtg/Budget hearing	Mon., Mar. 25th
Absentee ballot by mail request	Tues., Mar. 26th by 5 pm
Absentee ballot hand-delivered request	Mon., Apr. 1st by 5 pm

## New!

Early voting ballot applications available no earlier than 30 days before vote. If mailed to voter, application must be received no later than 7 days prior to election.

