CANDIDATES REQUIREMENTS

1. Candidates MUST

- a) Be at least 18 years of age
- b) Be a registered voter in the Town of Melbourne Village
- c) Be a resident for one year immediately preceding qualifying
- d) Not hold any other elected public office the term of which overlaps the Commission term
- e) File a petition with the signatures of at least 10 qualified Melbourne Village voters
- f) Sign the petition
- 2. To qualify as a candidate you must complete and file the following items:
 - 1. Valid petition (not required for write-in candidates)
 - 2. Statement of Candidate Form (DS-DE 84)

(Note: Chapter 106 of the Florida Statutes, titled Campaign Financing is available at <u>http://www.flsenate.gov/Laws/Statutes/2017/Chapter106/All</u> - Candidates desiring access may view it in the Town Office)

- 3. Appointment of Campaign Treasurer & designation of campaign depository form (DS-DE 9)
- 4. Statement of Financial Interest Form (Form 1)
- 5. Candidate Oath Nonpartisan Office (DS-DE 25)

ALL PAPERWORK MUST BE COMPLETE AND ON FILE WITH THE TOWN CLERK BY 5:00 PM ON <u>August 14, 2020</u>. FAILURE TO MEET THE DEADLINE WILL DISQUALIFY YOUR CANDIDACY. WRITE IN CANDIDATES BY 5:00 PM, <u>AUGUST 19, 2020</u>)

3. Statement of Candidate must be filed with the filing officer within 10 days of appointing a campaign treasurer and designating a campaign depository, or by qualifying deadline, whichever is earlier.

4. No funds may be received or expended before the Depository form is filed with the Town Clerk.

All candidates are urged to become familiar with the regulations regarding campaign funds and election advertising. Information is available at the Brevard County Supervisor of Elections website in the Candidates Tab: <u>www.votebrevard.org</u>

Links to the information about filing Campaign financial reports, etc are in the Candidate Tab/Campaign Treasurer's report information page at: <u>www.votebrevard.org</u>

Filing Petitions: Any person may circulate and file a petition for another person. The Candidate must, however, sign the acceptance of nomination and the other required forms. The State Candidates Oath form now requires a notary. The Town Office may or may not have a notary available at any given time. Please do not wait until the last minute to file assuming a notary will be available. We would not want anyone to be prevented from filing because someone got called out of the office.

Each candidate, within 90 days after becoming unopposed, withdrawing his or her candidacy, being eliminated, or being elected to office, shall dispose of funds in his campaign account and file a termination report.