

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
TOWN OF COTTAGEVILLE  
NOTICE TO FILE AND SPECIAL ELECTION**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the Voter Registration & Elections Board of Colleton County announces the **Special Election for the Town of Cottageville to be held Tuesday, August 4, 2026** for the purpose of electing **one Town Council Member for an unexpired term ending in 2029.**

Such election will be held in accordance with the statutes of the State of South Carolina and ordinances of the Town of Cottageville governing elections.

**Anyone desiring to be a candidate for the above office may file at the Cottageville Town Hall located at 72 Salley Ackerman Drive in Cottageville. Filing opens at noon Tuesday, May 26, 2026 until noon Friday, June 5. Filing fee is \$50.00.** To obtain the '*Nonpartisan Statement of Intention of Candidacy*' form, please visit [www.scVotes.gov/candidate information](http://www.scVotes.gov/candidate_information) then select '*Filing for Municipal or other Nonpartisan Offices*'. All candidates must also file the '*Statement of Economic Interest*' and '*Campaign Disclosure*' forms with the State Ethics Commission. These forms must be completed online at [www.ethics.sc.gov](http://www.ethics.sc.gov).

**This is a non-partisan election and no party affiliation shall be placed on the ballot.**

Only persons who live within the Cottageville town limits and are registered to vote prior to the deadline of July 5, 2026, will be eligible to vote in this election. To register in person, visit the Voter Registration & Elections Office at 72 Bells Highway, Walterboro, SC 29488 by Thursday, July 3 at 5:00 p.m. or register online at [www.scVotes.gov](http://www.scVotes.gov) until Sunday, July 5 at 11:59 p.m. Voter registration by mail applications will be accepted if postmarked by Monday, July 6, 2026.

Absentee ballots may be requested from the Voter Registration & Elections Office now (843-549-2842). Persons wishing to participate in Early Voting may go to the Voter Registration & Elections Office located at 72 Bells Highway in Walterboro Monday - Friday, July 20 – 31 from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. There is no Early Voting on Saturday or Sunday.

**\*\*Special Election Day voting will be held at Cottageville Town Hall at 72 Salley Ackerman Drive in Cottageville. The poll opens at 7:00 a.m. and will remain open until 7:00 p.m. \*\***

At 6:00 p.m. on Election Day, the Colleton County Board will begin its examination of the absentee ballot return envelopes at the Voter Registration & Elections Office located in Walterboro.

On Thursday, August 6, 2026 at 9:00 a.m., the County Board of Canvassers will hold a hearing to determine the validity of all provisional ballots cast in this election. This will take place at the Voter Registration & Elections Office. For more information, please contact us by phone at 843-549-2842 or email us at [voterregistration@colletoncounty.org](mailto:voterregistration@colletoncounty.org).

Any run-off will be held two weeks after the election on Tuesday, August 18.

**BY ORDER OF THE VOTER REGISTRATION &  
ELECTIONS BOARD OF COLLETON COUNTY**