

QUALIFYING ELECTION NOTICE

Election for Mayor, presently held by Charles Ivie; Council Post 1 presently held by Brian Brodrick; and Council Post 2 presently held by Connie Massey will be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2017 during the hours of 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Watkinsville Community Center for Watkinsville West voters and at the Oconee Government Annex for Watkinsville East voters in Watkinsville, Georgia (please see voter registration card).

Those candidates elected as Mayor and to Posts 1 and 2 in the 2017 General Election shall serve a term of office of two years, commencing on January 1, 2018. Persons seeking election as a member of Council must designate the particular post for which they are offering as candidate. Candidates receiving a plurality of the votes cast for Council posts shall be declared the winner.

Candidates desiring to qualify for said election can qualify at the Watkinsville City Hall, 191 VFW Drive, during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day, starting Monday, August 21, 2017 through Wednesday, August 23, 2017 (closed each day from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.). Qualifying fee is three (3) percent of salary (\$291.00 for Mayor; \$72.00 Councilmember).

Candidates must be at least 21 years of age and a resident of the City for at least one year prior to the election. A candidate must be a qualified voter of the City registered to vote at least 30 days prior to the election and must never have been convicted of election fraud, a felony, crime involving moral turpitude or malfeasance in office. All qualified voters of the City of Watkinsville registered 30 days prior to election may vote in said election (last day to register to vote in this election is October 10, 2017).

*Requested absentee ballots will be mailed out starting October 16, 2017 through November 3, 2017

*Advanced voting (early voting) will be held at the Oconee County Board of Elections Office, 10 Court Street, from October 16, 2017 through November 3, 2017 during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

If you have questions, please call Board of Elections office @ (706) 769-3958.