

# TOWN OF JOLIET, MONTANA

## RESOLUTION NO. 2025R-003

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF JOLIET CALLING FOR THE 2025 GENERAL ELECTION AND NOTIFYING THE CARBON COUNTY ELECTION ADMINISTRATOR OF ITS DESIRE TO CONDUCT THE ELECTION BY MAIL BALLOT PURSUANT TO §13-19-202, MONTANA CODE ANNOTATED**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Joliet will hold a General Election for two expiring Town Council seats on November 4, 2025, as required by §13-1-104(3)(a) MCA.

**WHEREAS**, voter turnout in Joliet municipal elections has historically been low. §13-19-202, MCA, provides a method for conducting mail ballot elections for local elections.

**WHEREAS**, the Carbon County Election Administrator has informed the Town that the costs of conducting a mail ballot are significantly less than the costs of conducting polling place elections and yield a higher voter turnout.

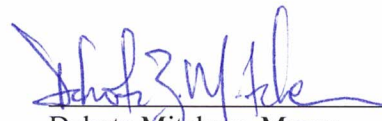
**WHEREAS**, in accordance with §13-19-205, MCA, the Election Administrator shall prepare a written plan, including a timetable, and shall submit it to the Secretary of State at least 60 days prior to the date set for the election.

**WHEREAS**, an official ballot will be mailed to every qualified elector of the Town of Joliet with the goal of increasing voter participation in the municipal elections for 2025.


#### **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

1. The Joliet Town Council hereby notifies the Carbon County Election Administrator of its intent to conduct the General Election on November 4, 2025, via mail.
2. The Town Council requests ballots be mailed 20 days before the election per §13-19-207, MCA.
3. The Town Clerk is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Carbon County Election Administrator in accordance with the provisions of §13-19-202, MCA.
4. Within five (5) days of receiving this request, the Election Administrator shall respond to the Joliet Town Clerk in writing, stating that this request is either granted or denied for reasons specified. If granted, the Election Administrator shall prepare a plan as provided, in §13-19-205, MCA.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March 2025.

  
Dakota Mitchem, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Amber Foechterle, Town Clerk