

**BEDFORD COUNTY UTILITY DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S ELECTION RULES**

These rules are established in accordance with T.C.A. 7-82-307. These rules are as follows:

1. The election will be held in the 2nd floor courtroom of the Bedford County Courthouse and will be from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., at which time the doors of the courtroom will be closed to late voters.
2. Any person or organization whose name appears on Bedford County Utility District's current customer list shall be qualified to vote.
3. There shall be only one vote cast per account. In case of joint ownership of an account, only one owner may vote.
4. An individual can cast only one vote unless allowed under rule number 6 or 8.
5. If a family owns more than one account, each adult family member may vote for one of those accounts, limited by rules 3 and 4.
6. A land lord (owner) cannot vote for a tenant (renter) unless the account is in the owner's name, limited by rules 2, 3, and 4.
7. The vote for an account in the name of a church or other nonprofit may be cast by an official of that organization, limited by rule 3.
8. The candidates and anyone campaigning for them may be no closer to the polling place than the first floor of the courthouse, except when they vote their individual accounts. There will be no campaigning or fraternizing with the voters or poll workers beyond the first floor of the courthouse. No spectators, only voters, will be allowed beyond the first floor level.
9. Each candidate may have one representative or one alternate present in the courtroom, but not at the same time, to witness voting as long as said representative does not interfere with the voting process, campaign for their candidate, or fraternize with the voters or poll workers. The candidate's representative and alternate must be named at least fifteen (15) minutes prior to when the poll is scheduled to open. The candidate's representative or alternate must sit in a designated area.
10. The candidates and/or their representatives should be present to witness the ballot count, which will be held immediately following poll closing, allowing for reasonable preparation time before the count. The count will take place in the 2nd floor courtroom and will be open only to the poll personnel, the candidates and their representatives, and media representatives with valid credentials.
11. The Board president or vice president shall be the judge in deciding any voting question according to election rules.
12. After consulting with the District's Attorney, the District does not accept a Power of Attorney in order to vote.