

Commissioner Dale H. Cooke

- Full-time Dewey Beach resident
- Homeowner for almost 20 years
- Father of two sons with five grandchildren



Military

- United States Marine Corps ó Sgt. / E-5
- Viet Nam and Cuba
- Graduate Non-Commissioned OfficersøLeadership School, Okinawa, Japan

Employment

U.S. Government: Central Intelligence Agency, the White House, Washington, D.C.;

Boys' Clubs of Greater Washington:

- Silver Spring BoysøClub (Maryland) and Woodbridge BoysøClub (Virginia) ó Program Director
- Falls Church BoysøClub (Virginia) and McLean BoysøClub (Virginia) ó Branch Director
- Summer Residential Camp (Maryland) ó Camp Director
- Graduate, BoysøClubs of America Leadership School, New York University

United States Postal Service:

- Postal Machine Mechanic
- Manager Maintenance ó 20 employees/11 buildings
- Graduate, AFL-CIO ó American Postal Workers Union Leadership School
- Graduate, U.S. Postal Service Management Academy

Previous Volunteer Work

- Town of Dewey Beach (Delaware) ó Town Commissioner, 10 years ó Mayor, 1 year
- Sussex County (Delaware) Association of Towns ó Member
- Association of Coastal Towns (Delaware) ó Member
- Montgomery County (Maryland) American Postal Workers Union ó Maintenance Director
- Maryland Postal Federal Credit Union ó Board Member and Chairman
- Montgomery County (Maryland) National Association of Postal Supervisors ó President
- Washington, D.C./Maryland State National Association of Postal Supervisors ó President
- Montgomery County Health Dept., Buddy Program ó Group Coordinator
- Whitman-Walker Health Clinic, Maryland Branch ó Board Member
- Washington, D.C. Health Dept., Ryan White Committee ó Member
- Delaware Center for Inland Bays, Water Use Committee ó Member
- Friends of Dewey ó Founding member

Present Volunteer Work

- Maryland Postal Federal Credit Union - Chairman
- Town of Dewey Beach, Delaware ó Town Commissioner and former Mayor
- Dewey Beach Lions Club ó Member
- Dewey Beach Civic League ó Board member

RE-ELECT DALE H. COOKE AS TOWN COMMISSIONER

Dewey Beach friends, neighbors and property owners,

I am seeking your support and vote in my bid for re-election as a Commissioner of Dewey Beach. My background includes being a 20 year Dewey home owner, a full time Dewey resident, a Town Commissioner for a total of ten years and former Mayor for one year. When the Commissioners were in the hiring process for a permanent Town Manager, the Council elected me to handle the day to day operations of the town for a number of months. While donating my time and efforts on behalf of Dewey Beach and local civic organizations, I'm still able to find the time to enjoy my two sons and five grandchildren.

Through my volunteer efforts as Commissioner, former Mayor and acting in the Town Manager's position, I have compiled a thorough working knowledge of Dewey Beach issues, operations and administration.

OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS:

- **The town has improved its financial position and its relationship with homeowners and businesses.** No single group or individual should dominate the town agenda. We should continue down that path, along with a renewed and increased commitment to complete governmental transparency. If you have any questions about town finances or need general information, contact town hall or me directly.
- **The budget is balanced; and we are planning for the future.** We have authorized restricted set aside funds for future needs. With the cooperation of the Center for Inland Bays, we also set aside money needed for State and Federal grant requests to help protect our bayside shoreline from erosion and flooding. The recently approved Read Avenue drainage and shoreline reconstruction project is scheduled for this fall.
- **Beach mats have been installed on all dune crossovers.** The mats make it easier for families with children and grandparents to access the beach. If you want to help sponsor part of a mat (I did), call town hall for information.
- **With the full and open input from property owners, the town investigated and instituted a single service, town wide trash pick-up contract.** We increased service with less costs to the majority of property owners. There were some glitches in the beginning; but, overall it has been a great success.
- **The town is the subject of two lawsuits that must be resolved.** Since everyone involved has legal rights, details cannot yet be discussed. Be assured that I will only support what is legal and best for the town and property owners.

My commitment to you is to always do what is best for the entire town, and not just for one specific constituency. I continue to stand by my quote - **POLICY BEFORE POLITICS**. Please vote for Dale H. Cooke on Election Day, September 21st – or call town hall (302-227-6363) for an affidavit to get an absentee ballot.

Thank you in advance,

Commissioner Dale H. Cooke,

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