

Voter Registration Deadline:

The deadline for voter registration to be eligible to vote in the Municipal Election is Tuesday, February 2, 2010. Voter registration forms can be picked up at the Eddy County Clerk's office in Artesia, City Hall, the Library, and at the Motor Vehicle Office or contact the County Clerk's Office at 575-746-2541 or 575-885-3383.

Absentee Voting

To vote absentee, anyone may request an application for an absentee ballot, by contacting the City Clerk's office – **746-2122** or email **ljohnston@artesianm.gov**. The City Clerk cannot by law automatically send applications to the elderly or disabled.

When a completed application is received in the office of the City Clerk, the voter will be verified on the Voter Register List as a qualified elector of the City. If the application is accepted, the City Clerk will issue an absentee ballot. If the application is rejected, the applicant is notified and the reason for rejection is included.

From **January 26, 2010 through February 26, 2010** – absentee ballots may be mailed to a voter. Voters may also come into City Hall and vote an absentee ballot in person. Voters shall either deliver or mail the absentee ballot to the City Clerk.

The City Clerk shall accept an official ballot in an official outer envelope, delivered in person by the voter, a caregiver to the voter, or a member of the voter's immediate family. ("Immediate family member" means spouse, children, parents, brothers and sisters").

Early Voting

From **February 10, 2010 through February 26, 2010** – ballots may be cast using a voting tabulator machine (M100) in the City Clerk's office.

NOTE: During the period for absentee and early voting, the area of City Hall where voting takes place, is considered a polling place. There will be no campaigning or campaign literature allowed in this area.