

# NOTICE OF SPRING ELECTION AND SAMPLE BALLOT

April 4, 2023

OFFICE OF THE TOWN OF MEEME CLERK  
TO THE VOTERS OF TOWN OF MEEME:

Notice is hereby given of a spring election to be held in Town of Meeme, Manitowoc County on April 4, 2023 at which the nominees for the offices named below shall be chosen. The names of the candidates for each office, whose nominations have been certified to or filed in this office, are given under the title of the office under the appropriate party, each in its proper column, together with the questions submitted to a vote, if any, in the sample ballot below.

## **Information to Voters**

Upon entering the polling place, a voter shall:

- state his or her name and address
- show an acceptable form of photo identification\*
- sign the poll book\*\*

**\*If a voter does not have acceptable photo identification, the voter may obtain a free photo ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles.**

**\*\*If the voter is unable to sign the poll book due to disability, a poll worker may write the word “exempt”.**

If a voter is not registered to vote, they may register to vote at the polling place serving his or her residence if the voter presents proof of residence in a form specified by law.

Where ballots are distributed to voters, the initials of two inspectors must appear on the ballot.

Upon being permitted to vote, the voter shall enter a voting booth or go to a machine and cast their ballot. The vote should not be cast in any manner other than specified here. Sample ballots or other materials to assist the voter in marking their ballot may be taken into the booth and copied. The sample ballot shall not be shown to anyone so as to reveal how the ballot is marked.

A voter who is a parent or guardian may be accompanied by the voter's minor child or minor ward.

An election official may inform the voter of the proper manner for casting a vote, but the official may not in any manner advise or indicate a particular voting choice.

## **Assistance for Voting**

A voter may select an individual to assist in casting their vote if the voter declares to the presiding official that they are unable to read, have difficulty reading, writing, or understanding English, or that due to disability are unable to cast their ballot. The selected individual rendering assistance may not be the voter's employer or an agent of that employer or an officer or agent of a labor organization which represents the voter. If a voter is unable to state their name and address, an assistant may also do so for the voter.

## **Where Paper Ballots are Used**

The voter shall fill in the oval next to the name of the candidate of their choice for each office for which they intend to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall write in the name of the person of their choice in the space provided for a write-in vote. On referendum questions, the voter shall fill in the oval next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the voter shall fill in the oval next to "no" if opposed to the question.

## **Where Optical Scan Voting is Used**

The voter shall fill in the oval next to the name of the candidate of their choice for each office for which they intend to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall write in the name of the person of their choice in the space provided for a write-in vote and fill in the oval next to the write-in line. On referendum questions, the voter shall fill in the oval next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the voter shall fill in the oval next to "no" if opposed to the question.

When using an *electronic ballot marking device* (“*Automark,*” “*ExpressVote,*”) to mark an **optical scan ballot**, the voter shall touch the screen to select the name of the candidate of his or her choice for each office for which he or she intends to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall type in the name of the person of his or her choice in the space provided for a write-in vote. On referendum questions, the voter shall touch the screen to select "yes" if in favor of the question, or the voter shall touch the screen to select "no" if opposed to the question.

## **Spoiling Ballots**

If a voter spoils a **paper or optical scan** ballot, they shall return it to an election official who shall issue another ballot in its place, but not more than three ballots shall be issued to any one voter. If the ballot has not been initialed by two inspectors or is defective in any other way, the voter shall return it to the election official who shall issue a proper ballot in its place.

### **After Voting the Ballot**

After an official **paper ballot** is marked, it shall be folded so the inside marks do not show, but so the printed endorsements and inspectors' initials on the outside do show. The voter shall deposit the voted ballot in the ballot box or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit and shall leave the polling place promptly.

After an official **optical scan ballot** is marked, it shall be inserted in the security sleeve, so the marks do not show. The voter may insert the ballot in the voting device and discard the sleeve or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. If a central count system is used, the voter shall insert the ballot in the ballot box and discard the sleeve or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. The voter shall leave the polling place promptly.

After an official **touch screen ballot** is cast, the voter shall leave the polling place promptly.

Valerie Spindler  
Town of Meeme Clerk

The following is a sample of the official ballot:

April 4, 2023 Spring Ballot

#### **Justice of the Supreme Court – Vote for ONE**

Janet C. Protasiewicz  
Daniel Kelly

#### **Circuit Court Judge, Branch 3 – Vote for ONE**

Robert Dewane

#### **Circuit Court Judge, Branch 4 – Vote for ONE**

Anthony A. Lambrecht

#### **State Referendum, Question 1 – Vote YES or NO:**

“Conditions of release before conviction. Shall section 8 (2) of article I of the constitution be amended to allow a court to impose on an accused person being released before conviction conditions that are designed to protect the community from serious harm?”

#### **State Referendum, Question 2 – Vote YES or NO:**

“Cash bail before conviction. Shall section 8 (2) of article I of the constitution be amended to allow a court to impose cash bail on a person accused of a violent crime based on the totality of the circumstances, including the accused’s previous convictions for a violent crime, the probability that the accused will fail to appear, the need to protect the community from serious harm and prevent witness intimidation, and potential affirmative defenses?”

**State Referendum, Question 3 – Vote YES or NO:**

“Shall able-bodied, childless adults be required to look for work in order to receive taxpayer-funded welfare benefits?”

NOTE: Names of candidates for each **Municipality, School District and Referenda** will ONLY appear on those ballots in their respective districts:

**Town of Meeme, Chairperson – Vote for ONE**

Dennis Graf

**Town of Meeme, Supervisor 1 – Vote for ONE**

Susan Kracht

Michael Klein

**Town of Meeme, Supervisor 2 – Vote for ONE**

Henry Langenhahn Sr.

**Town of Meeme, Constable – Vote for ONE**

Vacant

**Sanitary District Commissioner – Vote for ONE**

Jerry Lenz

**Howards Grove School District, School Board Member – Vote for ONE**

Mike Stoeckigt

**Kiel Area School District, School Board Member – Vote for not more than THREE**

Tony Johannes

Jim Bajczyk

Dan Meyer

Michael Joas

Matt Piper

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