

THE VILLAGE NEWS

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LOCATION & HOURS OF POLLING PLACE

At the General Election to be held on November 5, 2024 in the Village of Elk Mound, County of Dunn, the following polling location will be used for the wards indicated:

LOCATION: Elk Mound Village Hall
E206 Menomonie Street
Elk Mound, WI 54739

WARD: 1

ALL POLLING PLACES WILL OPEN AT 7:00 A.M. AND WILL CLOSE AT 8:00 P.M.

If you have any questions concerning your polling place, contact the municipal clerk:

Karin Wolf
E206 Menomonie Street/PO Box 188, Elk Mound
Phone 715-879-5011

8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. / Monday - Thursday

All places are accessible to elderly and disabled voters.

Notice of Meeting of the Local Board of Canvassers

At the close of voting on Election Day, pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stats. 19.84, the Election Inspectors will convene as the Local Canvassing Board for the purpose of conducting the local canvasses pursuant to Wis. Stats 7.51. This meeting will be open to the public pursuant to Wis. Stats. §§ 19.81-19.98.

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Terry Stamm

Next Village Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 21st at 6:00 p.m. If you have a specific item to bring to the Board please sign up under citizen's forum.

Elk Mound's homecoming parade is on Friday October 4th, starting at 2:30 p.m. Fall drug take back is scheduled for Saturday, October 26th from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon at the Elk Mound Police Department. Use this service to properly dispose of any unused or expired medications.

Also upcoming is Trick or Treating on Thursday, October 31st from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The clear bag policy at the solid waste site is mandatory. If you are unable to source through another vendor, clear bags are available for sale at the Village Hall in the following sizes: Small (13-gallon), Large (33-gallon) and XL (55-gallon).



**November
Elections
are
Coming!**

Registered? Visit MyVote.wi.gov today

BOARD MINUTES AUGUST 19, 2024

The August 19, 2024 meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Elk Mound was called to order by Village President Terry Stamm at 6:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Karin Wolf, Clerk-Treasurer, verified that proper notice of the meeting had been posted. Roll call showed Cynthia Abraham, Bob Bachman, Tim Benjamin, Pat Hahn, Pat Lien, Joyce Price and Terry Stamm present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Abraham/Hahn moved and seconded a motion to approve the Village Board minutes of July 15, 2024. Motion carried.

CITIZEN'S FORUM – (PUBLIC INPUT): There was no one registered for Citizens Forum.

PUBLIC APPEARANCE: There was no public appearance.

Movement of Agenda Item: Stamm/Abraham moved and seconded a motion to move agenda item 15(a) to earlier in the meeting. Motion carried.

Discussion/Action Conditional Use Permit Application by Buell Consulting on behalf of Vertical Bridge, LLC, to construct a Mobile Service Support Structure at S405 Holly Avenue

Abraham/Benjamin moved and seconded a motion to approve the Conditional Use Permit application by Buell Consulting on behalf of Vertical Bridge, LLC, to construct a Mobile Service Support Structure at S405 Holly Avenue. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF GENERAL FUND AND WATER/SEWER UTILITY VOUCHERS

Hahn/Price moved and seconded a motion to approve the combined checks 32938-32978 and direct deposits V3764 – V3782 for a total of \$54,311.91. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF TID VOUCHERS

There were no TID vouchers.

PERMITS – BUILDING; WATER/SEWER APPLICATIONS FOR SERVICE/TAP PERMITS

A permit was issued to Dean Brockmeier, N400 Holly Avenue, for under deck drainage.

Water/Sewer Report: The Water/Sewer Report was presented by Mark Levra, Director of Public Works. The report is on file in the Director of Public Works office.

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Police Chief Report: The Police Chief Report was presented by Police Chief Chad Weinberger. The report is on file in the Village Clerk-Treasurer's office.

Standing Committee Reports:

Public Works & Streets: Tim Benjamin reported that the Public Works & Streets Committee did not meet.

Public Safety: Tim Benjamin reported that the Public Safety Committee did not meet.

Property & Finance: Cynthia Abraham reported that the Property & Finance Committee met, and the topics would be covered later in the agenda.

Employee Relations: Pat Hahn reported that the Employee Relations Committee did not meet.

Plan Commission: Terry Stamm reported that the Plan Commission met, and the topic was covered earlier in the meeting.

Report from Fire Board Representative

The Department responded to five calls for service this month. The Department membership increased by one to 22 members. The ordinance for fire call billing that all three municipalities must eventually adopt was reviewed.

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BOARD MINUTES AUGUST 19, 2024 CONTINUED

Repairs continue on Engine No. 5. Chief Fuester is still working with insurance companies on premiums for replacement values of Fire Department equipment.

Chief Fuester is working with the three municipalities to obtain 2nd half assessment payments for Fire Department operations. A grant was submitted to obtain a "Fire Danger" sign to be set up on Hwy 12/Menomomie Street for public viewing.

Report from Elk Mound/Colfax Solid Waste & Recycling

The RU worked with Jenson Farms from Elk Mound to have wood chips removed from last year's grinding of brush to make room for the 2024 grinding project. Sylvester Custom Grinding was contracted to grind up the brush pile at the Elk Mound site.

The nine municipalities that make up the Responsible Unit with two sites at Colfax and Elk Mound have scheduled their semi-annual meeting to be held at the Colfax Fire Department on August 20, 2024.

Colfax Rescue Squad Monthly Report: The Colfax Rescue Squad Monthly Report from July was reviewed. This is available in the Village Clerk-Treasurer's Office.

Community Center/Library Report: The Committee approved the purchase of a desktop multi-function copier for the library, with the cost split 50/50 with the Menomonie Public Library. All toner, paper and setup fees will be paid for by the Menomonie Public Library.

The Committee also approved the purchase of a 55-inch TV to replace the display screen in the lobby of the Community Center.

Communications & Miscellaneous Business as Permitted by Law

Clerk/Treasurer Karin Wolf reported that the Village received a letter stating that the Village attorney, Jason Brasch, had resigned from Bakke Norman. The Village will work with the law firm to determine a new point of

contact for any legal matters. Wolf also reported that the Open Book will be held September 11 from 10am – noon and the Board of Review will be held September 18 from 10am – noon.

President Terry Stamm stated that the Synergy Cooperative – Elk Mound Cenex will be holding its Grand Opening on August 21 at 9:00 a.m.

Unfinished Business:

Discussion/Action Village Park Rental Policy

Benjamin/Price moved and seconded a motion to approve the following changes to the Village Park Rental Policy as presented by the Property and Finance Committee: Increase the Lions Club pavilion rental fee from \$25 to \$50 per day, increase the Certificate of Insurance coverage for groups of 300+ people to \$100,000 with the policy naming the Village as additionally insured, waive one 2-day tournament fee for both youth baseball and youth softball annually with a \$100 security deposit required that is returnable if Public Works deems the facility to meet the cleanliness standard, waive the tournament fee for the annual one-day Coach Pitch/Lions Club tournament, allow youth softball/baseball to use the fields on their regularly scheduled nights with practice and game time scheduling to be managed by the youth program directors instead of the clerk's office, increase the non-resident fee for youth softball and baseball from \$5 to \$10 with participant numbers to be verified by the youth program directors, and increase the rental fee for the Elk Mound High School Baseball program for Field #2 to \$3,500/year effective 2026 when the current lease is up for renewal. The Village Board also reserves the right to waive the rental fees for other community based non-profit organizations with requests for waivers presented to the Village Board for consideration/approval, and all other rental requests will be processed as they have been in the past per the approved policy and fee schedule. Motion carried.

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BOARD MINUTES AUGUST 19, 2024 CONTINUED

New Business: Discussion/Action Use of Park Funds for Comprehensive Plan Projects: Abraham reported that the Property and Finance Committee made a motion to look into the feasibility of walking trails and to price out the cost of renovating the Village Park bathrooms to utilize park funds. Director of Public Works Mark Levra is checking into these potential projects. No action taken.

Discussion/Action R/C Rock Crawler Course at the Village Park: Bachman/Abraham moved and seconded a motion to approve the R/C Rock Crawler Course at the Village Park. Motion carried.

Discussion/Action Portable Restroom at Lower Mound Hill Park: Bachman/Hahn moved and seconded a motion to approve the rental of a portable restroom from Lewis Bjork Septic to be placed at Lower Mound Hill Park at a cost of \$145/month with service every two weeks. Motion carried.

Discussion/Action Extension of Settlers Ridge Development involving Private Well Installation for Potable Water Use: No motion was made for this agenda item.

Discussion/Action Scheduling of Employee Performance Reviews: The Village Board decided that the Employee Relations Committee will meet once Department heads have completed their employees' evaluations. No action taken.

Discussion/Action Review of Ordinance Sec. 6-4-5: Abatement of Tree Disease Nuisances: Lien/Benjamin moved and seconded a motion to table this item until the September meeting to allow the Village Trustees more time to review the ordinance. Motion carried.

Discussion/Action Change September 16, 2024 Meeting Date: No motion was made for this agenda item.

Adjourn: Lien/Hahn moved and seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 p.m. Motion carried.

Karin Wolf
Village of Elk Mound Clerk-Treasurer

BOARD MEETINGS

Next Board Meeting is Monday, October 21st. Board Meetings are typically held the third Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. Meetings are open to the public in person, via Zoom or phone call. Instructions on how to access the meeting by phone are listed below.

The Zoom meeting IDs are 889 679 0258, Password 619735

For current agendas see the posting locations: Elk Mound Village Hall, Post Office, Independence State Bank, as well as on the website: www.elkmound.org, click on government, then board/committee agendas. Village Residents are encouraged to participate under citizen's forum, if you have a topic for discussion please email to karin@elkmound.org.

PUBLIC WORKS ANNOUNCEMENT

Fall Hydrant Flushing will take place October 7th through the 11th. Low pressure and discolored water may occur.

If you experience discolored water, let the water settle out for 1/2 hour if possible, then run a pencil thin stream of water from your faucet. If the discoloration does not clear within 15 minutes of running, please contact the Public Works Department at 715-556-4566.



Ballot ID: 4028

Village of Elk Mound, Ward 1

Official Ballot Partisan Office and Referendum November 5, 2024

Notice to voters: if you are voting on Election Day, your ballot must be initialed by two (2) election inspectors. If you are voting absentee, your ballot must be initialed by the municipal clerk or deputy clerk. Your ballot may not be counted without initials (see end of ballot for initials).

General Instructions:

If you make a mistake on your ballot or have a question, ask an election inspector for help (absentee voters: contact your municipal clerk).

To vote for a name on the ballot, fill in the oval next to the name like this: ●

To vote for a name that is not on the ballot, write the name on the line marked "write-in" and fill in the oval next to the name like this: ●

| Federal | Congressional | Legislative and State (cont.) |
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| <p>When voting for President and Vice President, you have one of two choices:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vote for candidates on one ticket, <i>or</i> • Write in names of persons on both write-in lines <p>A write-in vote for only a vice presidential candidate will not be counted.</p> | <p>United States Senator Vote for 1</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Tammy Baldwin (Democratic)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Eric Hovde (Republican)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Phil Anderson (Disrupt The Corruption)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Thomas Leager (America First)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> write-in:</p> | <p>District Attorney Vote for 1</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Andrea Nodolf (Republican)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> write-in:</p> |
| <p>President / Vice President Vote for 1</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Kamala D. Harris / Tim Walz (Democratic)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Donald J. Trump / JD Vance (Republican)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Randall Terry / Stephen Broden (Constitution)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Chase Russell Oliver / Mike ter Maat (Libertarian)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jill Stein / Rudolph Ware (Wisconsin Green)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Claudia De la Cruz / Karina Garcia (Party for Socialism and Liberation)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Cornel West / Melina Abdullah (Justice For All)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. / Nicole Shanahan (We The People)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> write-in (President)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> write-in (Vice President)</p> | <p>Representative In Congress District 3 Vote for 1</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Rebecca Cooke (Democratic)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Derrick Van Orden (Republican)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> write-in:</p> | <p>County</p> <p>County Clerk Vote for 1</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Andrew Mercil (Democratic)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> write-in:</p> <p>County Treasurer Vote for 1</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Lynn Niggemann (Republican)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> write-in:</p> <p>Register of Deeds Vote for 1</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Heather M. Kuhn (Democratic)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> write-in:</p> |
| | <p>Legislative and State</p> <p>Representative to the Assembly District 92 Vote for 1</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Joe Plouff (Democratic)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Clint Moses (Republican)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> write-in:</p> | |

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| Referendum |
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| To vote in favor of a question, fill in the oval next to "Yes," like this: ● |
| To vote against a question, fill in the oval next to "No," like this: ● |
| State |
| <i>"Eligibility to vote.</i> Shall section 1 of article III of the constitution, which deals with suffrage, be amended to provide that only a United States citizen age 18 or older who resides in an election district may vote in an election for national, state, or local office or at a statewide or local referendum?" |
| <input type="radio"/> Yes |
| <input type="radio"/> No |

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| Official Ballot Partisan Office and Referendum November 5, 2024 for Village of Elk Mound, Ward 1 Dunn County Ballot ID: 4028 | Ballot issued by _____ Initials of election inspectors | For Official Use Only | |
| | Absentee ballot issued by _____ Initials of Municipal Clerk or Deputy Clerk | Inspectors: Identify ballots required to be remade: <input type="checkbox"/> Overvoted <input type="checkbox"/> Damaged <input type="checkbox"/> Other | |
| | _____ If issued by SVDs, both must initial | If this is the Original Ballot , write the serial number here: _____ | If this is the Duplicate Ballot , write the serial number here: _____ |
| | Certification of Voter Assistance I certify that I marked or read aloud this ballot at the request and direction of a voter who is authorized under Wis. Stat. §6.82 to receive assistance. _____ Signature of assistor | _____ Initials of inspectors who remade ballot | |

WARNING SIREN

When severe weather occurs, you will hear a steady tone for three minutes. Upon early warning, volunteers will attempt to set the Warning Siren to a **STEADY TONE**. This warning is to inform you to seek information from TV, broadcast radio, or “NOAA Weather Alert” radio. For residents that do not have adequate shelter, the Lutheran Church, 207 University Street, has offered the use of the church basement. Every effort will be made to get the rear (south) doors opened on alarm. **YOU SHOULD MAKE ALTERNATE PLANS IN THE EVENT THE CHURCH IS NOT OPEN!!**

Having a plan in place will minimize confusion when time is of the essence. Preplanning to bring flashlights, possibly a blanket, as well as making other arrangements for pets will make for quick access to shelter. (Please do not bring pets to the Church).

This plan will be in effect immediately and until further notice.

“NOAA Weather Alert” radios are available for purchase at local electronics or major department stores. These units can be used in addition to the local warning siren for early severe storm alerts.

According to Dunn County Emergency Management, the siren is intended to alert people outdoors that severe weather conditions are nearby. The sounding of these sirens is your cue to access local detailed weather information from radio or television and discover if there is an need to take further action. More information can be found on their site: www.dunn.wi.co.us, click on Departments, Emergency Management & Outdoor Warning Sirens.

Dunn County Communications Center is responsible for testing the emergency siren system April through October. Village of Elk Mound tests November through March. The Emergency Warning Siren is tested the first Monday of each month at 10:00 am and monitored by the Village of Elk Mound. Standard emergency warning siren electro-mechanical tones are as follows:

- ALERT— Steady Tone, 3 minutes
- ATTACK—Wailing Tone, 6 sec. Hi/6 sec. Low, 3 min
- FIRE— Wailing Tone, 16 sec. Hi/8 Sec. Low, 4 Cycles
- GROWL- Short Burst, 2 Sec. Used for testing of siren only.

TRAFFIC REMINDER

Now that school is back in session, please remember the “No Left Turn” onto Juniper from westbound University Street between 7:00 a.m. & 4:00 p.m. and “No Left Turn” from northbound Juniper onto University Street during the same time period.

Also, please check the Elk Mound School District website for current information on parking, drop-off and pick-up procedures: www.elkmound.k12.wi.us.



Warning Siren

The Warning Siren will be tested the first Monday of the month at 10:00 a.m., dates are as follows:

October 7, 2024

November 4, 2024

December 2, 2024

WINTER PARKING RESTRICTIONS

Reminder that on November 1st Winter Parking Regulations are in effect. Please review Village Ordinance Section 10-1-29.

If you park on the street between **3:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.** be sure to park on the correct side of the street. (Odd-numbered calendar days park on the side of the street with odd-numbered house numerals / even-numbered calendar days park the side of the street with even-numbered house numerals).

