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August 9th, 2022 Partisan Primary Election

New Berlin, Wisconsin— The Partisan Primary is less than 3 weeks away, here is all you need to know about voting in the City of New Berlin:

In the August Partisan Primary, each political party narrows down its candidates for the November election. You may vote for candidates in only one political party of your choice. Wisconsin has run its primaries like this since the early 1900's. Please know that your voter registration is not associated with a political party.

Sample ballots are available online at www.MyVote.wi.gov or in the City Clerk's Office.

We strongly encourage all voters to confirm their voter registration and their polling place prior to Election Day on August 9th. Go to the MyVote Wisconsin website at www.MyVote.wi.gov

District 1 voters were notified by postcard that their polling location has been changed from New Berlin Hills to Hickory Grove located at 2600 South Sunnyslope Road. It is anticipated that Hickory Grove will no longer be available for the 2023 election year. The City Clerk's Office is working diligently to find another polling place that meets the requirements set forth by the Wisconsin Election Commission.

Follow these 3 important steps when marking your ballot:

1. Select a party preference at the top of your ballot.
2. Find that party's section on the ballot and vote for individual candidates within that political party.
3. If you're at the polls on Election Day, you will want to insert your ballot through the DS200 tabulator and wait to ensure your ballot is successfully accepted. If there is an error on your ballot, you will be able to correct the ballot or obtain a new ballot. Voters have up to 3 tries. If you are voting absentee by mail, promptly enclose your voted ballot in the postage paid envelope provided and return it to the City Clerk's Office.

Be mindful of the following when marking your ballot:

- If you select a party preference at the top of your ballot, but fail to vote for any candidates, no votes on your ballot will count – there is no straight party ticket.
- Only the votes in your party preference will count. If you mistakenly vote for candidates in other parties, the tabulator will ignore those selections in other parties.
- If you do not mark a party preference at the top of your ballot AND you vote in more than one political party, nothing on your ballot will be counted.

Absentee Voting by Mail:

To request an absentee ballot by mail, visit www.MyVote.wi.gov

The deadline for submitting an application to receive an absentee ballot by mail, is 5 pm on the fifth day before the election, (Thursday, August 4, 2022).

How to Return Your Ballot:

- Mail back your ballot – postage is already applied
- Personally bring your own ballot into City Hall and hand deliver to the Clerk's Office
- Personally drop off your own ballot at your polling place on Election Day

All absentee ballots are due prior to 8pm on Election Day. Please ensure that your certificate envelope is filled out COMPLETELY with your signature, date, signature of a witness and address of that witness.

Absentee Voting In-Person:

The Clerk's Office will have in-person absentee voting (commonly referred to as "early voting") available at the New Berlin City Hall located at 3805 S. Casper Drive on weekdays from July 26th to August 5th from 8am to 4:30pm with extended hours on August 5th to 5pm. Photo ID is required.

Important Ballot Box Information:

On July 8th, 2022 the Wisconsin Supreme Court ruled that the use of ballot drop boxes is illegal and further ruled that no voter can return a ballot other than their own. All municipal clerks are required to follow the law.

Election Day

ALL polling locations will be open from 7AM - 8PM on Election Day, August 9, 2022. To find your polling location, please visit: www.MyVote.wi.gov

Our goal is for every eligible voter to be able to cast a ballot and to have that ballot be counted. Election integrity is of the utmost importance to the City of New Berlin Clerk's Office. Please be patient and respectful to our poll workers. Their service displays a true commitment and a deep sense of civic responsibility to our democratic process. We owe them our gratitude.

If you have any questions on the provided information, please contact the Clerk's Office at 262-786-8610 or via email CityClerk@newberlin.org

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