

**TOWN OF MAPLE CREEK**  
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**2023 SPRING NEWSLETTER**

**SPRING ELECTION—TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2023, 7:00 A.M. TO 8:00 P.M.—TOWN HALL, W10388 CTY RD W**

*On the ballot:*

Justice of the Supreme Court—Vote for 1—\*Janet C. Protasiewicz, \*Daniel Kelly

Circuit Court Judge Branch 1—Vote for 1—\*Mark J. McGinnis

County Executive—Vote for 1—\*Tom Nelson, \*Kevin M. Sturn

Town Board Chairperson—Vote for 1—\*Susan L. Griffin

Town Board Supervisor—Vote for not more than 2—\*John Knapp, \*James J. Young

Town Clerk—Vote for 1—\*Amiee Stracy

Town Treasurer—Vote for 1—\*Tory Much

Town Constable—Vote for 1—(no one is running) (all write-ins count)

NL SD School Board—Vote for not more than 2

\*Pete Bosquez, \*Cathy Zaddock, \*Chris Martinson, \*John Heideman

Shiocton SD School Board—Vote for not more than 2—\*Mindy Hofacker, \*David G Gomm

Three State Referendum Questions:

Question 1: “Conditions of release before conviction. Shall section 8 (2) of article 1 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?” Yes or No

Question 2: “Cash bail before conviction. Shall section 8 (2) of article 1 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?” Yes or No

Question 3: “Shall able-bodied, childless adults be required to look for work in order to receive taxpayer-funded welfare benefits?” Yes or No

YOU WILL BE ASKED TO PROVIDE A PHOTO ID TO VOTE ON ELECTION DAY!!

WHAT CAN I USE AS PHOTO ID TO VOTE? The following photo IDs are acceptable for voting purposes, and can be unexpired or expired after the date of the most recent general election (currently, the November 8, 2022 election):

- A Wisconsin DOT-issued driver license, even if driving privileges are revoked or suspended
- A Wisconsin DOT-issued identification card or Military ID card issued by the U.S. Uniformed Services
- A U.S. passport book or card The following photo IDs are also acceptable for voting purposes:
- A certificate of naturalization (that was issued not earlier than two years before the date of the election)
- An identification card issued by a federally recognized Indian tribe in Wisconsin
- A driver license receipt issued by Wisconsin DOT (valid for 45 days from date issued)
- An identification card receipt issued by Wisconsin DOT (valid for 45 days from date issued)
- A Veteran Affairs ID card (must be unexpired or have no expiration date)
- A photo identification card issued by a Wisconsin accredited university or college, or technical college that contains the following: -Date the card was issued - Signature of student -Expiration date no later than two years after date of issuance - The university or college ID must be accompanied by a separate document that proves enrollment, such as a tuition fee receipt, enrollment verification letter, or class schedule

If you are new to Maple Creek and need to register, or if you’ve changed your address or your name, please contact the clerk to get registered or go to [myvote.wi.gov](http://myvote.wi.gov) for more information. Remember, you need a photo ID and proof of residence to register. Voting Absentee: If you are a US Citizen, 18 years of age or older on Election Day and have resided in Maple Creek for at least 28 days, you can request to vote absentee. You will need to be registered in advance and provide proof of identification. You may make application for an absentee ballot by mail, in person, e-mail or through MyVote.wi.gov. The deadline to make application by mail is 5 p.m. on Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup>. You may also request and vote an absentee ballot in person in the clerk’s office starting Tuesday, March 21<sup>st</sup> by appointment during the hours of 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday and weekends by appointment, with the last day being Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Contact the clerk with any questions.

*“If we are to guard against ignorance and remain free, it is the responsibility of every American to be informed.”*

*Thomas Jefferson*

**FEBRUARY 21, 2023 ELECTION REVIEW**

We had 71 total voters with 6 voting absentee. A big “thank you” to the day’s Election Inspector’s: Donna Young, Chief Inspector and other inspector’s Karen Stuhr and Judy Handschke. Here’s a breakdown of the results:

Justice of the Supreme Ct	Janet C. Protasiewicz---12	Daniel Kelly-----50	Everett D. Mitchell-1	Jennifer R. Dorow--8
County Executive	Tom Nelson-----28	Justin Krueger-----13	Kevin M. Sturn----26	Undervotes-----4

**ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ELECTORS—TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2023 6:30 P.M.**

This is the only meeting during the year where the Town Electors have an opportunity to discuss any Town business without an agenda. Any item may be raised from the floor. However, the town electors at the annual meeting may only take action on the items they are authorized to act on by state law, as outlined in Wis. Stats 60.10(1). Such as: setting the compensation for elected town officers or deciding whether to combine the offices of town clerk and treasurer. For items listed in 60.10(2), the electors can vote to authorize the town board to take certain actions, such as authorizing the construction of a new town hall, but the town board will ultimately decide whether to move forward with the project. If the statutes do not give the electors any power to act on a particular item, any resulting vote on that issue would be purely advisory to the town board and not binding. Please plan to attend. Refreshments will be served.

**RAFT PERMITS**

It’s that time of year when the ice goes out and the rafts go in and a raft permit is required. All registrations expire on December 31st of each year. Please contact the clerk for your raft permit. The total cost of the permit is \$30.

## CEMETERY

Then next cemetery commission meeting will be Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> starting at 6:30 p.m. Reminder... Winter decorations are to be taken down by April 15<sup>th</sup>. Spring decorations can be put up after that date.

## OPEN BOOK AND BOARD OF REVIEW

The first meeting of the Board of Review will be held on May 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. prior to the Town Board meeting at 6:30 p.m. The assessment roll will not be completed. So, the Board of Review will open and then adjourn to a later date. It will probably be later this summer. At this time, Associated Appraisal has 100% completed the following: job setup; market sales analysis; measure buildings; sketch buildings; compute building areas; list buildings(field) and compute building values. Setting land values and pricing land (office) are 25% completed, and the field review of the work done is 0% completed. To date, 82.50% of the project is completed. Please contact Associated Appraisal Consultants with any questions; 920-749-1995 or email at [info.apraz@gmail.com](mailto:info.apraz@gmail.com)

## BUILDING PERMITS

Building permits ARE required in Maple Creek. Contact the building inspector, Mike Miller, with questions.

## MEETING MOTION HIGHLIGHTS:

### Town Board:

#### December 12, 2022

- Griffin made a motion, seconded by Young, to renew the Town Reserves CD with Community First for 14 months at 4%. Ayes 3, Opposed 0, Abstain 0, Absent 0. MOTION CARRIED.
- Young made a motion, seconded by Knapp, to renew the Gold Cross Ambulance Contract for 2023. Ayes 3, Opposed 0, Abstain 0, Absent 0. MOTION CARRIED
- Griffin made a motion, seconded by Young, to cancel all communications and monies associated with the ram call at Raymond Weichert's. Ayes 3, Opposed 0, Abstain 0, Absent 0. MOTION CARRIED

#### January 9, 2023

- Griffin made a motion, seconded by Knapp, to hire Jim Young to fix the town hall front door. Ayes 2, Opposed 0, Abstain 1, Absent 0. MOTION CARRIED.
- Griffin made a motion, seconded by Knapp, to hire Jim Young for various town hall maintenance work. Ayes 2, Opposed 0, Abstain 1, Absent 0. MOTION CARRIED.
- Young made a motion, seconded by Griffin, to contract with YCC Construction to put a steel roof on the Town Hall for \$13,930. Ayes 3, Opposed 0, Abstain 0, Absent 0. MOTION CARRIED.
- Young made a motion, seconded by Griffin, to go with Charcoal as the color. Ayes 3, Opposed 0, Abstain 1, Absent 0. MOTION CARRIED

#### January 30, 2023 Special Fire Meeting

- Young made a motion, seconded by Griffin to set up a meeting with the Village of Bear Creek February 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, or 9<sup>th</sup> around 6:30 or 7:00 p.m. Ayes 3, Opposed 0, Abstain 0, Absent 0. MOTION CARRIED.

#### February 13, 2023

- Young made a motion, seconded by Knapp, to replace the culvert at the end of Stilen Road. Ayes 3, Opposed 0, Abstain 0, Absent 0. MOTION CARRIED.
- Young made a motion, seconded by Knapp, to hire the Outagamie County Highway Department to perform the bridge inspections for Maple Creek in 2023. Ayes 3, Opposed 0, Abstain 0, Absent 0. MOTION CARRIED.
- Young made a motion, seconded by Griffin, to approve the purchase of 2 emergency exit lights and hire Supervisor Young to install them. Ayes 3, Opposed 0, Abstain 0, Absent 0.
- Griffin made a motion, seconded by Knapp, to approve the purchase of a large broom and mop for the town hall. Ayes 3, Opposed 0, Abstain 0, Absent 0. MOTION CARRIED.

## Plan Commission:

- No meetings during this timeframe

## ITEMS OF INTEREST

- ✓ Find out the do's and don'ts about curbside recycling here: <https://www.recyclemoreoutagamie.org/curbside-recycling-2/> Any recycling disposed of in plastic bags gets pulled off their sorting lines immediately and goes to the landfill.
- ✓ Prevent fraud and sign up for Outagamie County Land Notification Alerts at: [www.outagamie.org](http://www.outagamie.org), Register of Deeds Tab or <https://landshark.co.outagamie.wi.us/Ins.app> or questions: call ROD at 920-832-5095. No need to pay title lock.
- ✓ Where will you be for the two greatest phenomena of your lifetime? Be prepared for the two grandest events of the century. 1. Annular Solar Eclipse, October 14, 2023, and 2. North American Total Eclipse, April 8, 2024 <https://solarsystem.nasa.gov/eclipses/2023/oct-14-annular/where-when/>
- ✓ Outagamie County is developing its first Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. They are asking for your input. Please visit their project webpage at [www.outagamie.org/bike-walk](http://www.outagamie.org/bike-walk) and look for Poll #1 and Poll #2.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS (Town Hall):

- ✓ March 21 – First day to vote absentee in clerk's office
- ✓ April 3 – Cemetery Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- ✓ April 4 – Spring Election 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- ✓ April 6 – Plan Commission if needed, 6:00 p.m.
- ✓ April 10 – Town Board meeting 6:30 p.m.
- ✓ April 18 – Annual Meeting of the Electors 6:30 p.m.
- ✓ May 8 – Board of Review 6:00 p.m. – Open and adjourn to a later date
- ✓ May 8 - Town Board meeting 6:30 p.m.
- ✓ June 12 - Town Board meeting 6:30 p.m.

**REFUSE AND RECYCLING:**

Dates:	Garbage (Harter's): 1-888-804-8556	Recycling (LRS) 1-920-759-0501
March	3, 10, 17, 24, 31	3, 17, 31
April	7, 14, 21, 28	14, 28
May	5, 12, 19, 26	12, 26
June	<b>3</b> , 9, 16, 23, 30	9, 23

- o The County now contracts with the recycling company Lakeshore Recycling Service. They bought out Orion. They have the same phone number.
- o Refuse pickup is every Friday while recycling pickup is every other Friday. The only exception is when there is a holiday **during the week, M-F**, then pickup is on **SATURDAY** as highlighted in **bold** on the table.
- o If for some reason you are missed during the garbage pickup, please call Harter's or LRS right away so they can get back to you while their trucks are still in the area.
- o Harter's also offers large item pickup days during the month. Call them for the details.
- o If you would need a replacement garbage tote, contact Harter's. If you need a replacement recycling tote, contact one of the town board members.

\*\*\*\*Have a Happy Easter and a safe and enjoyable Memorial Day weekend (If the snow ever melts)!\*\*\*\*

What do you get if you cross a rabbit with an insect?-----Bugs bunny  
 How does the Easter bunny stay fit?-----Eggercise and Hareobics  
 Why did the bunnies go on strike?-----Because they wanted better celery  
 What do you call 50 rabbits walking backwards?-----A receding hare line  
 What type of math are rabbits the best at?-----Multiplication  
 What's the difference between a clown and an athletic rabbit?-----One is a little bit funny and the other is a little fit bunny

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Joe Close  
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 920-572-2943

Harter's Refuse Service (*refuse*)  
 1-888-804-8556  
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