# Town of Burke

### April 2, 2024 SPRING ELECTION

There will be two Town Supervisor positions on the ballot in April along with the Presidential Preference.

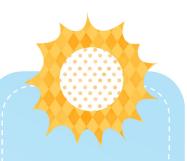
In-Person absentee voting will be March 19—March 29 at the Town Hall between 9:00 am—4:00 pm Monday -Thursday, 9:00—noon on Friday March 22, and 9:00 am—5:00 pm Friday March 29 for the Spring Election.

Please take a moment and check your voter information on the statewide MyVote.wi.gov website.

Beginning in 2023 the Town of Burke moved from paper poll books to electronic poll books called *Badger Books*.

Why are Badger Books being used?

- Improved wait times for voters: Poll workers no longer search through a large book to find your name and poll books are no longer divided by last name.
- Efficient voter registration on Election Day: Paper registration forms are no longer completed on Election Day; proof of residency is still required to register.
- Efficient absentee ballot processing on Election Day: Poll workers scan a bar code on the envelope containing the absentee ballot to locate the voter and assign a voter number instead of using a large book to look for each voter.
- Voter participation statistics available faster on myvote.wi.gov. The time for Clerks to record voter participation after an election is drastically reduced.
- Are Badger Books connected to the internet? Badger Books are not connected to the internet. Badger Books in each polling place have a secure connection with each other but are unable to connect to the internet or any other network outside of the polling place. Please check out the Badger Books FAQ on the Town website for more information.



#### Your Government

**BOARD MEMBERS** 

Chair Kevin Viney Steve Berg Jeff Stieren Dave Severson Lisa Rubrich

Town Board meets at 6:00 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month

TOWN OFFICE 5365 Reiner Road Madison WI 53718

9:00-4:00 M-TH 9:00-noon Fri

PJ Lentz Admin Clerk Treasurer 608-825-8421

Andrew Schultz Deputy Clerk Treasurer 608-825-8420

BUILDING INSPECTOR Chris Butschke 608-576-6371 Inspections 262-420-4732

> PELLITTERI 608-257-4285



#### Did you Know?

- Hazardous household waste can be taken to Recycle that stuff for only \$15 per car.
- Rostad, Server, and Felland Road will be under construction this spring/summer.
- The Town Hall is available to rent for events and meetings. The contract is online TownofBurke.com
- Town roads and subdivisions are NOT open to golf carts, ETV's or ATVs. Citations may be issued to violators.
- There is a new Park Committee to oversee all the parks and green space in the Town.
- If interested in volunteering to help, or to submit any comments please email PJ at Clerk @townofburke.com

#### Yard Waste

Pellitteri Waste Systems will pick up residential yard waste once again. They will be picking up at your road side beginning the week of April 22, May 28, June 17, July 8, September 3, October 21, and November 18, 2024.

Yard waste should be placed roadside in reusable plastic containers no larger than 30 gallons or compostable paper bags. If plastic bags are used, they should be left open and not tied. Plastic bags are not preferred and may be left after emptying.

Please have your yard waste out by 6:00 a.m. on the first day of the scheduled pickup. Pellitteri will be making one trip through the Town.

#### Brush

Barnes Inc. remains the Town's contracted brush removal company. Please have your residential brush to the roadside by 7:00 a.m. the first Monday of May (6th), July (1st), September (3rd), and November (4th). Barnes will be making one trip through the Town.

Brush will be limited to material 10 feet in length and not to exceed 6 inches in diameter. Pile size can not exceed 4'X4'X10' in size. One pile per home. Barnes will not pickup tree roots, root balls, stumps or other logs larger than 6 inches in diameter. Material left by someone other than homeowner will not be collected.

<u>Campfires and cooking fires</u> are allowed without a permit but open burning of leaves and brush requires a permit. To obtain a permit, call 608-837-5066, ext. #4.

#### **New Town Fire Protection**

The Town has contracted with Madison Fire Department for fire protection effective July 1, 2024. Should you have any questions, please contact the Town Hall.

# Spring Clean Up

The Town of Burke Spring Clean Up will be Saturday **May 18** at the Town Hall between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and noon.

This event is offered for the convenience of Town residents to dispose of incidental items. Town Staff and Town Officials will be on site to assist residents.

Items accepted: Furniture, mattresses, small auto parts, carpet, small freon free appliances, toilets and sinks, fluorescent bulbs, dry cell, rechargeable, and small electronic batteries, lawn mowers, refrigerators, stoves, washers, dryers, etc.

<u>Resource Solutions</u> is providing a dumpster for electronics such as TVs, monitors, computers, printers, etc. See Town website for fees charged. Cash only, no change given.

<u>Not Accepted:</u> constructions materials, stone, gravel, tires, tree parts, yard waste, or any hazardous waste.

Rain Barrels: can be ordered online at www.ripple-effects.com and picked up in DeForest or at Town Hall. Please call the Town Hall to confirm.

# Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Event

<u>Event at Clean Sweep</u> The Town of Burke is excited to partner with Dane County Clean Sweep and the Madison Area Municipal Stormwater Partnership to offer residents an opportunity to safely dispose of household hazardous waste at no cost. The disposal event will take place at Dane County Clean Sweep (7102 Maahic Way, Madison, WI) on Saturday, **April 13** from noon to 4:00 p.m. To participate, please visit the website below to register for a free voucher (normally \$15/car). 100 free online vouchers are available while supplies last. Vouchers must be obtained online in advance and presented at the event. This free event is <u>open to the Town of Burke residents only</u>. <a href="https://burke-hhw-event.eventbrite.com">https://burke-hhw-event.eventbrite.com</a>

## Town Hall Park — Prairie It Up!!!

The Parks Committee is working to turn 7.5 acres of mowed grass into prairie. The soil will be bare and ugly then beautiful and beneficial for so many insects and critters. This will take time and many volunteer hours. If you would like to volunteer to work the prairie or donate financially, please contact the Town Hall. Watch the Town website and Facebook for information.

IN EVERY WALK WITH NATURE...

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Receive the Town newsletter and Town information such as street closings, trash pickup changes, brush and yard waste pickup reminders, by suppling an email address or find us on FaceBook at Town of Burke, WI.

608-825-8420

Clerk@townofburke.com

# Looking for a reason to walk Burke Park?

The Town is looking for a Park Custodian to clean the park and restrooms on weekends.

All supplies provided by the Town. Hourly rate is \$15 and it usually takes about 1 hour per day/2 hours per weekend.

Call 608-825-8420 for more information.

# Town of Burke Annual Meeting of the Electors

The Annual Town Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 16, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 5365 Reiner Rd, Madison.

The Town Board will swear in your new Town Supervisors based on the April 2 Election results.

Agenda topics will be the fire department annual report, the EMS annual report, Building Inspector's annual report and the Town financial report and budget review.

The annual meeting will be followed by the regular Town Board meeting.

Regular monthly Town Board meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

All Town residents are Welcome!