

Notice of Spring Primary and Sample Ballots

February 20, 2024

Office of the Rusk County Clerk

To the voters of Rusk County, County Supervisor District #9: Town of Grant, Town of Thornapple and City of Ladysmith

Notice is hereby given of a spring primary election to be held in Rusk County in the Town of Grant, Town of Thornapple and the City of Ladysmith in Rusk County Supervisor District #9 on February 20, 2024 at which the officers named below shall be nominated. 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, each in its proper column, in the sample ballot below.

Information to Voters

Upon entering the polling place and before being permitted to vote, a voter shall:

- state their 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 their residence if the voter provides proof of residence.

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 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.

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.

When using an *electronic ballot marking device "ImageCast Evolution-ICE"* to mark an **optical scan ballot**, the voter shall touch the screen or use the tactile pad to select 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 type in the name of the person of their choice in the space provided for a write-in vote.

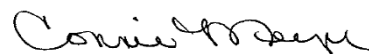
Spoiled Ballots

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 **optical scan ballot** is marked, the voter shall insert the ballot in the voting device. The voter shall leave the polling place promptly.

The following is a sample of the official ballot:



Connie Meyer, Rusk County Clerk

Official Primary Ballot
Nonpartisan Office
February 20, 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:
County
County Supervisor
District 9
Vote for 1
[] Philip Unterschuetz
[] Mel McBain
[] Tom Ralston
[] write-in:

Official Primary Ballot
Nonpartisan Office
February 20, 2024
for
Town of Grant, Ward 5
Rusk County
Ballot ID: 1001
Ballot issued by
Absentee Ballot issued by
Certification of Voter Assistance
For Official Use Only
Inspectors: Identify ballots required to be remade:
[] Overvoted
[] Damaged
[] Other
If this is the Original Ballot, write the serial number here:
If this is the Duplicate Ballot, write the serial number here:
Initials of inspectors who remade ballot