



December 3, 2008

Nomination papers available from clerk

Filing deadline is 5 p.m. Jan. 6

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The 2009 political season in Door County started Monday, the first day nomination papers were available for local offices.

The April 7, 2009, election will include positions on town, village and school boards and four of the seven aldermen on the Sturgeon Bay City Council.

Also on the ballot will be statewide races for superintendent of public instruction (Elizabeth Burmaster is the incumbent), Supreme Court (Chief Justice Shirley Abrahamson, incumbent) and District III Court of Appeals (Michael Hoover, incumbent).

All elected positions in the towns of Brussels, Clay Banks, Forestville, Jacksonport, Nasewaupee, Sturgeon Bay and Union will be on the spring ballot; only the chairman and two supervisors will be up for election in the remaining seven towns.

Anyone who wants to seek the elective office must obtain nomination papers from the appropriate clerk (such as town clerk for town offices or school district for school board).

After obtaining the prescribed number of signatures from qualified electors — people of voting age who live in the district — the candidate must return the completed papers to the clerk to be listed on the ballot.

Completed nomination papers must be filed by 5 p.m. Jan. 6.

Officials who are holding an office that expires next spring have until 5 p.m. Dec. 26 to file a notice of non-candidacy.

Under Wisconsin election law, the notice permits anyone to file for the office being vacated and avoids potential conflicts in an incumbent holding the office open for a hand-picked successor.

In any contest where more than two candidates file for the office, a primary will be held Feb. 17.

The following is a list of local offices that will be on next April's ballot, with the names of incumbents who occupy the seats.

City of Sturgeon Bay

(Aldermen to two-year terms)

- District 1, Ben Meyer; District 3, James Michaud; District 5, Stephen Mann; and District 7,

Thad Birmingham.

Villages

(Trustees to two-year terms)

- Egg Harbor: President Nancy Fisher and trustees Robert Dickson and Herbert Mueller.
- Ephraim: President John Cox and trustees Jane Olson and Sue Sherman.
- Forestville: President Thomas Tostrup and trustees David Miller and Gayle Gulley.
- Sister Bay: President Denise Bhirdo and trustees Sharon Doersching, Kenneth Church and Andrew Nocker.

Towns

(Supervisors to two-year terms)

- Brussels: Town Chairman George Delveaux Jr., supervisors Joe Wautier and Galen DeJardin, Clerk JoAnn Neinas, Treasurer Lois Maedke and Constable Jarod Parks.
- Baileys Harbor: Chairman James Parent, supervisors Dale Williams and Peter Jacobs, Treasurer Lois Pluff and Constable Mark Merrill.
- Clay Banks: Chairman Myron Johnson, supervisors Mark Heimbecher and Patrick Olson, Clerk Jessica Bongle and Treasurer Trudy Krueger.
- Egg Harbor: Chairman Paul Peterson, supervisors Robert Mueller and Kurt Krauel and Clerk-Treasurer Pam Krauel.
- Forestville: Chairman Edson Stevens, supervisors Miles Zastrow and Gerald Uecker, Clerk Ruth Kerscher and Treasurer Dena Schmidt.
- Gardner: Chairman Paul DeWitt, supervisors Robert Braunel and Gary Schaeffer, Clerk Amy Sacotte, Treasurer Pauline Cyrus and Constable James Kluth.
- Gibraltar: Chairman Merrell Runquist and supervisors Richard Skare and Steve Sohns.
- Jacksonport: Chairman George Bagnall, supervisors Aaron LeClair and Jeanne Majeski, Clerk Eileen Phetteplace and Treasurer Carol Oram.
- Liberty Grove: Chairman William Casey and supervisors Nancy Goss and John Jensen.
- Nasewaupsee: Chairman Steven Sullivan, supervisors Tim O'Connor and George Whitford, Clerk Jill Lau, Treasurer Carol Russell and Constable Al Borring.
- Sevastopol: Chairman Leo Zipperer and supervisors Tom Girman and John Staveness.
- Sturgeon Bay: Chairman Daniel Cihlar, supervisors Harry Porter and Paul Skup, Clerk Nancy Anschutz and Treasurer Lynne Gustafson.

- Union: Town Chairman Cletus Fontaine, Supervisor No. 1 John Bur, Supervisor No. 2 Ron Renard, Clerk Rena LaLuzerne and Treasurer Denise Englebert.
- Washington: Chairman Tim Jessen and supervisors Ron Overdahl and Randy Sorensen.

School districts

(Board members to three-year terms)

- Gibraltar: Miriam Erickson, Martha Luber Pelrine and Mark Weborg.
 - Sevastopol: Sue Todey, Lisa Bieri and Mike Kaye.
 - Southern Door: Lisa Mraz and Lori Sampo.
 - Sturgeon Bay: Julie Hathaway, Keith Miller and Lori Raye.
 - Washington Island: Dan Nelson and Joan Hansen.
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