

# Newsletter



## IN PERSON EARLY VOTING BY ABSENTEE BALLOT

**In Person Early Voting By Absentee Ballot** is available for the April 2, 2024 Spring Election/Presidential Preference Primary **at City Hall, 100 W. Grand Ave** during the dates and times listed below. Please have an **acceptable Photo ID available** (see Wisconsin Elections Commission information for acceptable Photo ID below). For complete Elections information, please refer to Page 7 of this Newsletter or the [Elections Page](#) on the city website.



Tuesday - Friday - **March 19 - 22 - 8:00am - 4:00pm**

Monday-Thursday - **March 25 - 28 - 8:00am - 4:00pm**

Friday, **March 29\* - 8:00am - 5:00pm** (\*Only City Clerk's Office at City Hall is open on this day and all other city offices are closed)



**These Photo ID's are acceptable for voting purposes:**

- Wisconsin DOT-issued Driver's License (even if driving privileges are revoked/suspended)
- Wisconsin DOT-issued Identification Card
- Military ID card issued by U.S. Uniformed Services
- U.S. Passport book or card

**These Photo ID's are also acceptable for voting purposes:**

- Certificate of naturalization (that was issued not earlier than two years before the date of the election)
- ID card issued by a federally recognized Indian tribe in Wisconsin
- Driver's License receipt issued by Wisconsin DOT (valid for 45 days from issuance)
- Identification Card receipt issued by Wisconsin DOT (valid for 45 days from issuance)
- Wisconsin DMV ID Petition Process Photo receipt (valid for 60 days from issuance)
- Veterans Affairs ID Card (must be unexpired or have no expiration date)
- Photo ID Card issued by a Wisconsin accredited university or college, or technical college containing the following: Date card issued, signature of student, expiration date no later than two years after date of issuance, if expired must be accompanied by a separate document that proves current enrollment (tuition fee receipt, enrollment verification letter, or class schedule)

# Attention Pet Parents!!



↓ **TIME TO LICENSE!** ↓

Cats, dogs & pot bellied pigs must be licensed every calendar year (City code Ch.141.1). Purchase the license (\$6 [spayed/neutered]/\$11 [non-spayed/neutered]) in the Finance Office at City Hall. License must be purchased **by March 31, 2024** to avoid the \$5 late fee. Bring a current rabies certificate from the vaccinating veterinarian for each pet.

## BREAKING NEWS IT IS STILL THE WINTER SEASON!

### Winter Parking Rules DECEMBER 1 - APRIL 1



During the winter months, beginning December 1, there is “No parking on any street within city limits between the hours of 2:00am and 6:00am”. This includes the evening of April 1st. (Ch. 400-13).

### USE SALT IN MODERATION!



**Doctor's Orders and Mother Nature's Orders align!** Too much chloride, or salt, used for snow removal damages our infrastructure, environment and drinking water. **A little goes a long way!**



Covers 10 sidewalk squares



Use hand-held spreader to scatter evenly - Granules 1"-2" apart

# 2024 CITIZEN'S POLICE ACADEMY



## GET A FIRST-HAND LOOK AT MODERN DAY LAW ENFORCEMENT AT THE LOCAL LEVEL

This course is available to anyone 18 years and up who lives, works, or owns property in the City of Port Washington. Attendees must have a clear criminal record and attend at least 80% of the scheduled sessions to graduate. This class free and size is limited.



Thursdays - Apr 4 - May 16  
Police Department - 365 N Wisconsin St



6:00 - 9:00pm



Download & complete the registration form & return to the Police Department



Questions - call 262-284-2611

## FIRE PITS & OUTDOOR FIREPLACES

Ch. 224-32 of the **Municipal Code** outlines Ordinances related to fire pits and outdoor fireplaces. **During any high fire danger periods** which can result during a warm, dry spring, **avoid burning until conditions improve.** Consult the Ordinance for the complete list of requirements



Below-ground fire pits have specific size, location & materials requirements, 25 ft. from any structures or combustible materials.



Locate portable firepits/fireplaces a minimum of 15 ft. from any structures or combustible materials.



Fire must be constantly attended & supervised until completely extinguished. Portable fire extinguisher or garden hose must be present.



Only natural firewood or commercial fire logs may be burned. Burning of all other materials are prohibited.



Are you looking for a great **place to host an event or gathering** ? Consider one of our **scenic parks**. Looking for an **indoor space** for a birthday party, a shower, or a space to let the kiddos get the wiggles out? **Rent one of the indoor facilities at the Rec Center**, 201 N Webster St. Contact the Rec Department for details, 262-284-5881 or email [parksandrec@portwashingtonwi.gov](mailto:parksandrec@portwashingtonwi.gov).

Facility	Location	Shelter	Electric
Picnic Area 1	Upper Lake Park 554 N Lake St	NO	NO
Picnic Area 2	Upper Lake Park 554 N Lake St	NO	NO
Picnic Area 3	Upper Lake Park 554 N Lake St	NO	NO
Picnic Area 4	Upper Lake Park 554 N Lake St	YES	YES
Picnic Area 5	Upper Lake Park 554 N Lake St	YES	YES
Picnic Area 6	Upper Lake Park 554 N Lake St	YES	YES
PWSB Centennial Pavilion	Rotary Park 231 E Grand Ave	YES	YES
Coal Dock Park Great Lawn	110 S Wisconsin St	NO	NO
Hill School Park Shelter	762 W Grand Ave	YES	YES
Windrush Park	1800 Windrush Dr	YES	NO
Bley Park	170 Bley Pkwy	YES	NO
Veteran's Memorial Bandshell and Greens	410 N Lake St	YES	YES
Shelter Add On	*Add on to rent full park		
Veteran's Memorial Park Shelter	410 N Lake St	YES	YES
Bandshell and Greens	*Add on to rent full park		



## Bump, Set, Spike...Repeat!

The warm February weather allowed construction of two new sand volleyball courts on the west side of Upper Lake Park to begin. Funds for the project were provided by a partnership with the Rotary Club. In the future, these new courts will provide an area for the high school volleyball teams to play and host tournaments



Make a difference,  
leave a Legacy...


The Parks and Recreation Department's **Celebration Tree and Bench Program** provides an opportunity to **honor someone special, remember a loved one, or recognize a special even or achievement**. The trees and benches support our growing park system as well. It's a win-win for the entire community. The trees and benches will be placed in the Port Washington Parks System and the gift will **provide a lasting memory and enhance the beauty and variety of our parks**. For additional info, please refer to the [Celebration Tree and Bench Brochure](#), or contact the Rec Department at 262-284-5881 or email [parksandrec@portwashingtonwi.gov](mailto:parksandrec@portwashingtonwi.gov).



# Information & Opportunities



“Squeeze” in a visit to the W.J. Niederkorn Library and help “Save The Day” by **Donating Blood** at the **American Red Cross Blood Drive**. Appointments are strongly encouraged and can be made by calling 800-RED-CROSS (800-733-2767) or online at [www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=53074](http://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=53074)


 *Thursday, March 28, 2024*  
12:00 pm to 5:00 pm  
W.J. Niederkorn Library  
316 W Grand Ave  
Community Room

## Senior Center Upcoming Events! MARCH 2024





**St. Patrick’s Day Celebration - Friday, March 15**  
from **1:00-2:00pm** with **live music by Green Sails**.  
Space is limited, reserve your seat ASAP please!

 *Members - FREE; Guests - \$5*

 *Call 262-284-5821 or email for info & reservations*

**Chili Soup Supper/John Maynard Memorial 8-Ball Tournament/Money Bingo - Monday, March 11** at **4:45pm**. Choice of chili or chicken noodle soup. Space is limited, reserve your seat ASAP please!

 *Members - \$11; Guests - \$16*

 *Call 262-284-5821 or email for info & reservations*

## WATER METER REPLACEMENT



If you received a Water Utility **Water meter “change-out” letter** and have not scheduled the appointment, please **contact the Water Utility to schedule the appointment**.

- **262-284-2172**
- **Email**

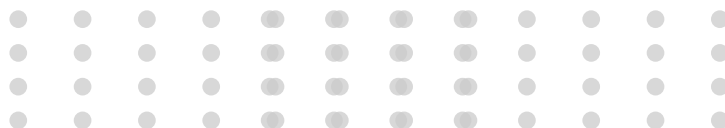
A typical water meter “change-out” **takes approximately 15-30 minutes** to complete. There is **NO COST** to the homeowner.



## Career Planning Workshop SHAPE YOUR FUTURE!

Your career starts here! Emily Smith, a Human Resources Consultant from Ansay & Associates, will be providing **one-on-one assistance with career planning needs**. Get help with resume reviewing, interview prep, job searching and applications, and more!

This is an ongoing monthly event. Register for an appointment on the **1st Tuesday of the month from 3:00-5:00pm at the W.J. Niederkorn Library**, 316 W Grand Avenue. Sessions will occur upstairs at the round tables. Please contact Emily at [emily.smith@ansay.com](mailto:emily.smith@ansay.com) or call 262-284-5031.







## Congratulations to Park and Forestry Superintendent Jon Crain!

On February 27, 2024 Jon received the 2024 Wisconsin Urban Forestry Council Leadership Award. Jon received this prestigious award at the annual forestry conference in Green Bay. This award recognizes recent outstanding contribution to urban forestry in Wisconsin. Jon, a certified arborist, guides the city's Park's and Forestry crew to ensure we can enjoy the beauty of our community year-round.



## POLAR PLUNGE ANYONE?

Recently, seven members of the Port Washington Fire Department, along with members of the Belgium and Fredonia Fire Departments, completed **ice rescue technician training**. This certification program focused on incident command considerations, hypothermia management, self and victim-rescue tactics, and equipment familiarization. As the community explores ice shelves along South Beach, skates on local retention ponds, or ice fishes in the harbor, it is imperative that the **Fire Department is properly trained to rescue victims in these unique environments**. The photos provide a glimpse of the practical portion of the course.

## Referendum Information Resources

Please see the [Referendum page](#) on the city website for complete information related to the April 2 Referendum including:

- [Message on the Referendum](#)
- [Referendum Fact Sheet](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [Resolution 2023-16 Authorizing the Referendum](#)



## FREE CPR CLASS

Learn how to save a life while waiting for the ambulance to arrive

Learn how to use an AED

No medical training or skill required

Sponsored by the Port Washington Fire Department and Grand Avenue Church

7PM to 8:30 PM, March 19, 2024  
Grand Ave Church  
505 W Grand Avenue  
Port Washington WI 53074

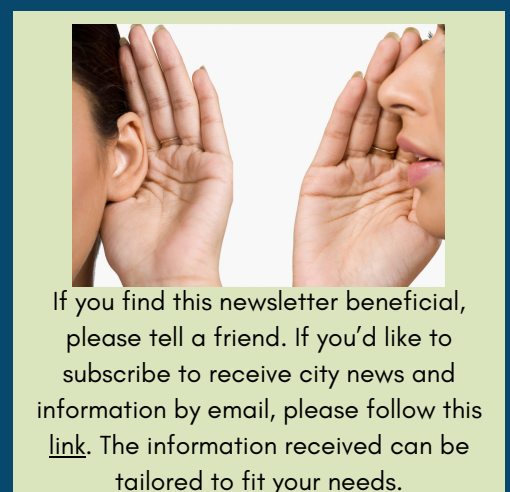
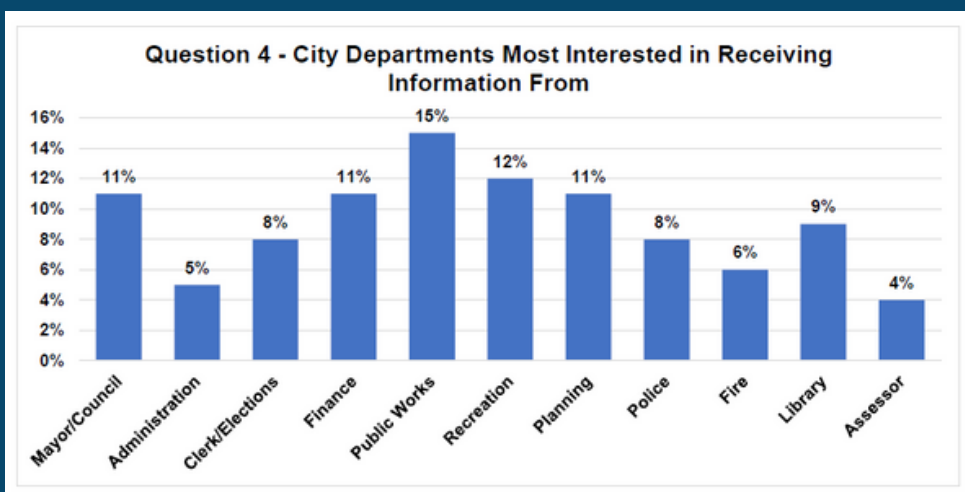
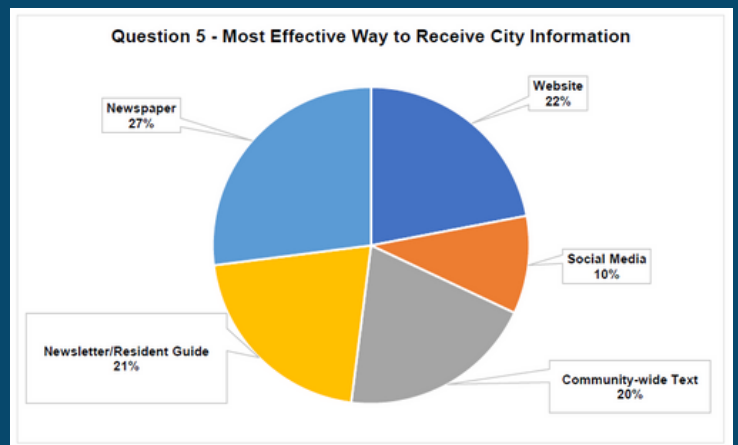
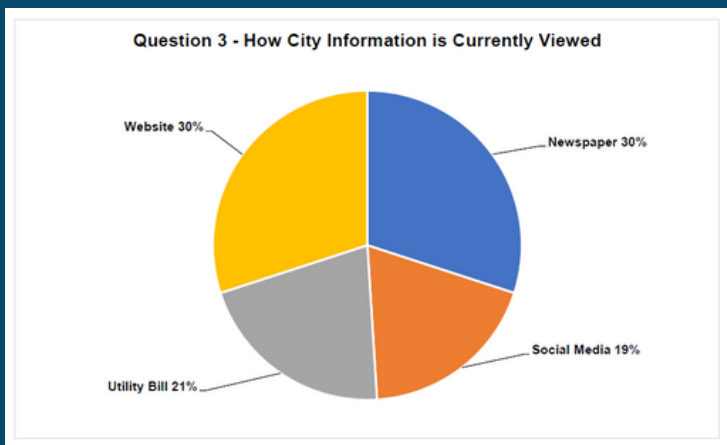
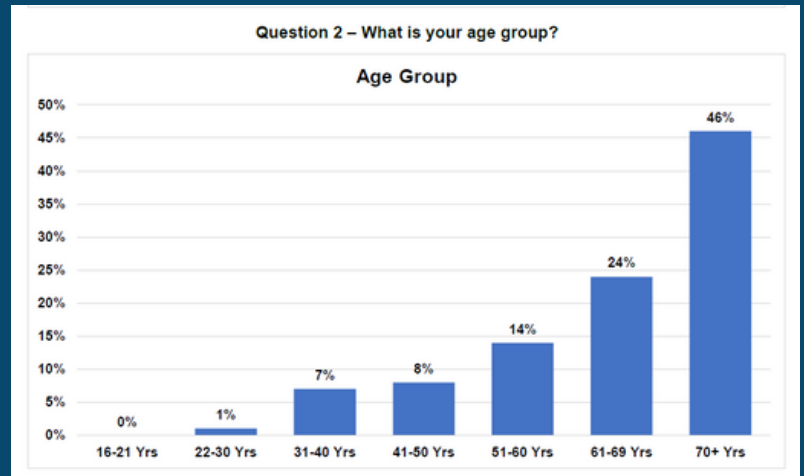
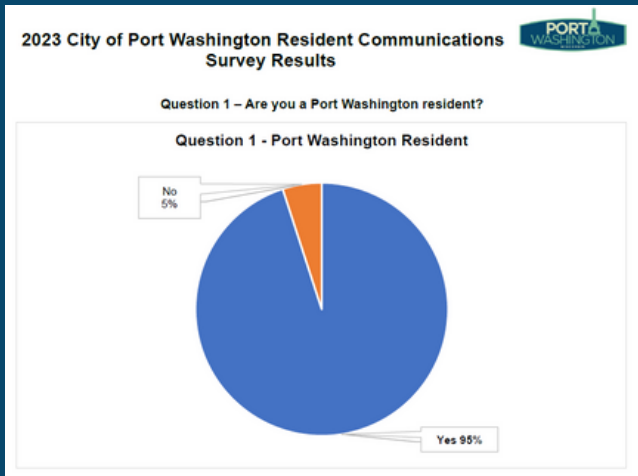
Free Parking – Free Admission BUT  
Space is limited – Reserve now!  
Call 262-284-9478 during office hours

# 2023 COMMUNICATIONS SURVEY RESULTS



In December 2023 each city residence received a survey seeking input on how residents, visitors, and businesses would like to receive information regarding city services, news, and information. The surveys were collected at City Hall through the final property tax payment collection period which ended January 31, 2024.

Thank you to all for submitting your responses. 467 responses were received. City staff is analyzing this valuable information to examine our communication methods as we strive to provide clear and timely information to our community. The response results were recently reviewed by the Common Council.







# City Clerk's Office - Election Information

## Spring Election - April 2, 2024

### SPRING PRIMARY/PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARY



#### **Absentee Ballot Information**

- Applications to receive ballots by mail for the April 2nd Spring Election can be submitted now through March 28th.
- Applications can be submitted through [MyVote.wi.gov](https://www.portwashingtonwi.gov/departments/city-clerk/elections/absentee-early-voting) -or- by **mailing in an Absentee Ballot Application to the City Clerk, 100 W. Grand Ave.** The **Absentee Ballot Application** can be obtained and printed from the City's website at <https://www.portwashingtonwi.gov/departments/city-clerk/elections/absentee-early-voting>.
- **Note:** Photo ID is required to receive an absentee ballot.

#### **Voter Registration**

- Beginning March 14th the late registration period begins and voters must complete voter registration *In Person* at the City Clerk's Office.
- Voter Registration may also be completed on Election Day at your Polling Location prior to Voting.
- Voter registrations must include a Proof of Residency document such as WI Driver's License/WI ID, Utility Bill, Bank Statement/Credit Card Statement, Payroll Document, Real Estate Tax Bill, Document from a Unit of Government. There are additional approved document options which can be found on the City's website at <https://www.portwashingtonwi.gov/departments/city-clerk/elections/voter-registration>.
- **Note:** There is a 28-day residency requirement prior to election day to be able to submit a Voter Registration Application.

#### **Please contact the City Clerk's office with any questions or need for assistance**

- 262-284-5585 ext. 1026
- [elections@portwashingtonwi.gov](mailto:elections@portwashingtonwi.gov)

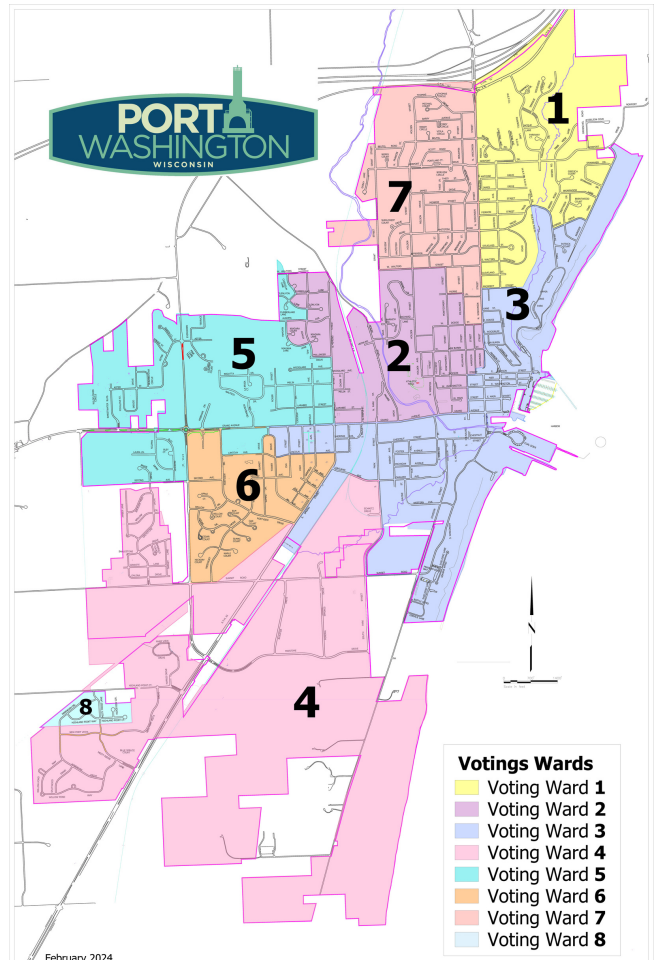


**On Election Day, April 2, 2024 - Polls open at 7:00am and close at 8:00pm**

#### **Polling Locations:**

- **Wards 1 and 7 - St. Matthews Lutheran Church, 1525 N Grant St**
- **Wards 2 and 2 - City Hall, 100 W Grand Ave**
- **Wards 4, 5, 6 and 8 - Grand Avenue Methodist Church, 505 W Grand Ave**

For individual ward maps, please use the link to the [Elections page](#) on the city website.



# Elected Officials

## DISTRICT 1

**Deborah Postl**  
414-550-0034

## DISTRICT 2

**Paul Neumyer**  
262-689-2668

## DISTRICT 3

**Michael Gasper**  
262-235-2824

## DISTRICT 4 & 8

**Dan Benning**  
414-207-3487

## DISTRICT 5

**Jonathan Pleitner**  
219-793-2260

## DISTRICT 6

**Patrick Tearney**  
262-388-6697

## DISTRICT 7

**John Sigwart**  
920-946-0215



## City Hall

100 W. Grand Ave.

P.O. Box 307

Port Washington, WI 53074

Monday-Friday - 8:00am to 4:00pm

Ph: 262-284-5585



[www.cityofportwashingtonwi.gov](http://www.cityofportwashingtonwi.gov)

Friday, March 29, 2024 - City of Port Washington Facilities are closed.

*With the exception of the City Clerk's Office at City Hall.*

The City Clerk's Office is open Friday, March 29, 2024 from 8:00am - 5:00pm for In Person Early Voting by Absentee Ballot

A yellow poster for the "HIPPITY HOP" event. The text on the poster includes "PORT WASHINGTON RECREATION DEPARTMENT", "HIPPITY HOP", "SATURDAY MARCH 30", "Free & No Pre-Registration Required", and "UPPER LAKE PARK PICNIC AREA 4 10:00 AM". The poster is decorated with a border of colorful horse icons.

PORT WASHINGTON RECREATION DEPARTMENT  
**HIPPITY HOP**  
SATURDAY MARCH 30  
Free & No Pre-Registration Required  
UPPER LAKE PARK PICNIC AREA 4  
10:00 AM