

October 2024

City of Port Washington Newsletter



November 5th Election

Polling Locations:

- Wards 1 & 7 - St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 1525 N Grand St
- Wards 2 & 3 - City Hall, 100 W Grand Ave
- Wards 4, 5, 6, & 8 - Grand Avenue Methodist Church, 505 W Grand Ave

Polls will open at 7:00AM and close at 8:00PM on election day, Tuesday, November 5, 2024.



IMPORTANT

Before you can cast a ballot in the November 2024 General Election, you must be registered to vote. If you have moved or changed your name, you must re-register to vote.



If you have an up-to-date WI driver license or ID, you can register online at myvote.wi.gov/en-us/ by October 16th.



For more information about voting in the City of Port Washington, please visit portwashingtonwi.gov/departments/city-clerk/elections.

Voter Registration:

Starting October 17th, the late voter registration period begins and voters must complete voter registration in person at the City Clerk's office. You also have the option to complete voter registration on Election Day at your polling location prior to voting.

Voter registrations must include a Proof of Residency document such as a WI Driver's Licenses/WI ID, Utility Bill, Bank Statement/Credit Card Statement, Payroll Document, Real Estate Tax Bill, or Document from a Unit of Government. Additional approved document options can be found [here](#).

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 of assistance:

- City Hall, 100 W Grand Ave
- 262-284-5585, elections@portwashingtonwi.gov

Absentee Ballot Information:

Submit an application to receive a ballot by mail for the November 5th General Election by October 31st. They can be submitted one of two ways:

- Visit MyVote.wi.gov and complete electronically.
- Mail or drop off an Absentee Ballot Application (ATTN: City Clerk, 100 W. Grand Ave). Find the Absentee Ballot Application here: portwashingtonwi.gov/departments/city-clerk/elections/voter-registration.
- NOTE: A Photo ID is required to receive an absentee ballot.

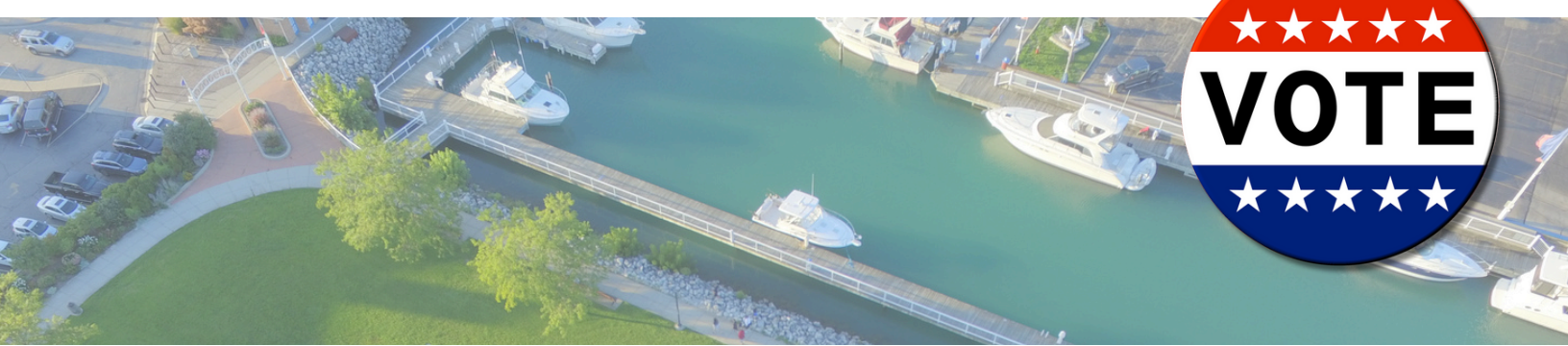
In Person Early Voting By Absentee Ballot

Dates and times for In Person Early Voting By Absentee Ballot for the November 5, 2024 General Election at City Hall, 100 W. Grand Ave are listed below:

- October 22 - October 25 - 8:00AM - 4:00PM
- October 28 - October 31 - 8:00AM - 4:00PM
- November 1* - 8:00AM - 5:00PM (*Extended Hours Only For Voting and Registration)

Please have an acceptable Photo ID available. The list below has been provided by Wisconsin Elections Commission as acceptable forms of Photo ID 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
- 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)



RECENT & UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Welcome to Diane Chilinski! She joins us as our new Director of Senior Life Enrichment and Outreach at the Senior Center on Foster Street! Thank you to all who joined us at the Open House on September 25th to give her a warm welcome.
- Jon Crain was promoted to Director of Parks, Recreation and Forestry. He has been with the City of Port Washington since 2011, and we look forward to the continued positive impact he will have on our community.



Trick or Treating for the City of Port Washington will be on the evening of Saturday, October 26th from 4PM - 7PM. Have a spooktacular time! 🎃

Chief Hingiss and officers enjoyed visiting students of St. John XXIII Catholic School alongside the Ozaukee County Sheriff's Department for a wonderful Protect & Serve Lunch. Thank you, students and staff, for the invite!



Streets, Police, and Fire/EMS brought their trucks to Pirates' Hollow on September 28th for kids and families to experience up close! It was a great event for all ages!

WJ Niederkorn Library celebrated 125 years of library service with cake, Booker the Library Dog, a scavenger hunt, a therapy dog visit, bingo, memory book signing, face painting, live music, and a whole lot of library love!

Police and Fire Open Houses

Join us from 11AM - 2PM on Saturday, October 5th! Port Washington Police Department will be hosting an Open House with area organizations in attendance. They will have a rock wall set up provided by the Wisconsin National Guard, the Wisconsin K9 SOS Search and Rescue, and Chase from Paw Patrol! Port Washington Fire/Rescue will also be having their annual Fire Prevention Open House with safety demonstrations, giveaways, and kid-friendly games.

From the City Clerk:

In September, the City Clerk held a Municipal Clerk Roundtable to bring together the Clerks of Ozaukee County and the County Clerk's Office as Election Officials to discuss the upcoming General/Presidential Election. This meeting/training provided Clerks, all with various years of experience and community sizes, the opportunity to work together as a group to build a support network prior to conducting the November 5th General Election. In the future, the plan is to gather again to establish quarterly networking opportunities, which will allow us to better serve our communities.

The City Clerk will be speaking at the Port Conversations session held at the W.J. Niederkorn Library on Thursday, October 3rd at 6:30PM. Information will be shared about voter registration and absentee voting options for the Fall General/Presidential Election. There will also be an opportunity for the public to have their election questions answered.



SEEKING INPUT:

Zoning Survey

The City of Port Washington is embarking on the most comprehensive rewrite of its Zoning Code since it was drafted in the mid-60s. The intent of this is to make the City's code easier to understand and administer, modernized with current best practices, and compatible with the City's recent planning efforts, which include the Comprehensive Plan Update and Downtown + Lakefront Master Plan.

Zoning establishes what types of buildings, what uses go where and directly impacts the housing, businesses, and institutions allowed in each neighborhood across the city. This zoning code rewrite is an opportunity to review and refine what is allowed, prohibited, or encouraged in different parts of the community. Your input is valuable to the planning team to help ensure that the re-written zoning code supports the types of neighborhoods desired by the city's residents.

Please complete this [online survey](#). To learn more about this project, click [HERE](#).

A New Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Port Moves is an exciting effort to make using active transportation (walking, biking, and rolling) in Port Washington easier, safer, and more convenient. The beginning work on this plan includes a framework of policies, programs, and infrastructure improvements. Currently, our team is collecting citywide feedback to better understand how Port residents experience the City on foot or bike, and where there are barriers or opportunities to make improvements.

Please consider filling out this [online interactive webmap](#), which begins with a brief survey asking how you feel about the current active transportation network within the City (sidewalks, bike facilities, trails, crossings, etc.), and where there are opportunities for improvements. Once the survey is complete, the webmap allows you to draw and pinpoint exactly where you have thoughts and ideas. Responses are being collected through October 31st.

Keep your eyes peeled around town for Port Moves pop-up stations where we will have fun, quick, and easy activities to get your feedback on walking and biking in Port!



Mayor Ted Neitzke IV

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Mayor's Corner

October is upon us, and I am looking forward to the beauty of fall here in Port Washington. Fall Street Festival is October 5th, and it will be another amazing day highlighting all the great things right here in Port Washington. I hope to see many of you there!

This month I thought I would share with you something that might be on your mind and is always on my mind: development opportunities in Port Washington. As mayor, I get to meet with people every week who have an idea for Port Washington. Many of these ideas are things I have never even thought possible or dreamed of for our city.

In fact, most of the time, they are the ideas and dreams of other people, and I always approach them the exact same way. How can we help you? What would you need from the city? How does this idea line up with the strategic vision of Port Washington?

I have had many meetings in my two terms with community members, people from around our area, our state, and our nation. I follow the same principle every time. People often ask me to keep the idea quiet until they investigate further, but they are coming to me and asking what I believe they need to do in order to get their idea from concept to reality. Sometimes the idea is a dog park and other times it is an idea so audacious I cannot sleep wondering and worrying about the consequences both bad and good for my city, my neighbors, and my family.

Sometimes the meetings are as simple as how can I widen the driveway to my shop to how can I acquire property and build a new business or residential development. Every time, I value the integrity of our city, guide the interested parties to the correct city staff and begin the complex process guiding it from idea to reality.

I want citizens to also know I am very interested in our city growing within our strategic vision. We need to attract employers, we need housing inventory, we need consistency in our downtown to sustain its charm and, above all, we must find new ways to grow our city so that we have the resources needed to sustain and address our city infrastructure.

I will always explore ideas from others to ensure we do our diligence and make decisions with one eye on our traditions and the other on the needs of our future. I will always value integrity in the process, and I am highly committed to the strategic plan we put in place.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:



Curbside Brush Collection concluded for the season the week of September 30th. Between Saturday, October 5th and Saturday, December 7th, brush can be taken to the Street Yard, which will be open at the following times:

- Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:00PM - 6:00PM
- Saturdays, 10:00AM - 4:00PM

[Learn more](#) about what is all accepted at the Street Yard (333 N Moore Rd).



FALL LEAF COLLECTION:

October 1 - November 24, 2024. Rake leaves (only) to the curb by Monday at 7AM. One trip will be made city-wide each week for pick up. Leaves are also accepted at the Street Yard.



WATER METER REPLACEMENT

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

>> 262-284-2172 OR

>> [EMAIL](#)

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

BREAKWATER AND ACCESS TO THE LIGHT STATION:

The breakwater improvements that were scheduled in early September will now take place the first full week of October. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will begin to mobilize as early as October 4. While the work is anticipated to take less than a week, the schedule will be impacted by rough weather. The breakwater will be closed while armor stone is being placed.

\$2,231,900 GRANT AWARDED

We are pleased to announce we have been awarded a grant from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation’s Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) for the preservation of the historic north breakwater lighthouse. It is anticipated that the preservation work will be completed in summer 2025.

>> [READ MORE](#)



ANNOUNCEMENT

Port Washington announces major grant award for preservation of historic North Breakwater Lighthouse



FALL CLEAN-UP INFORMATION

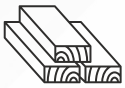
Who To Contact For The Disposal Of _____?



Appliances & Furniture -
Ozaukee Iron & Metal



Auto & Truck Tires -
Ozaukee Iron & Metal or
Tires Unlimited



Building Materials -
Ozaukee Iron & Metal



**Fluorescent Tubes/Bulbs &
Thermostats -**
Veolia Environmental Services



Household Electronic Items -
Veolia Environmental Services



Household Hazardous Waste -
Veolia Environmental Services



Paint & Related Products -
Veolia Environmental Services



Propane & Gas Containers -
Ozaukee Iron & Metal



Vehicle Batteries -
Veolia Environmental Services or
Ozaukee Iron & Metal



Waste Motor Oil -
Ozaukee Co. Highway Department

Disposal Company Phone Numbers

Please call or contact the disposal company below prior to drop-off at their facility to confirm times, exact locations, fees, and staff availability.



Ozaukee Iron & Metal

728 Schmitz Dr
262-284-4060
ozaukeeironmetal.com



Veolia Environmental Services Technical Solutions LLC

1275 Mineral Springs Dr
262-243-8900
veolianorthamerica.com/contact-us



Ozaukee County Highway Department

410 S Spring St
262-284-8331
[www.co.ozaukee.wi.us/240/Highway-
Department](http://www.co.ozaukee.wi.us/240/Highway-Department)



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1557 N Wisconsin St
262-284-4414
tiresunlimitedautomotive.com

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WARDS 4 & 8
Dan Benning
414-207-3487

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