

NOTICE OF REFERENDUM
HAMILTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
APRIL 2, 2024

Referendum Election Details

At an election to be held in the Hamilton School District on April 2, 2024, the following proposed Revenue Limit Resolution and Initial Resolution of the School Board will be submitted to a vote of the people:

RESOLUTION NUMBER I

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SCHOOL
DISTRICT BUDGET TO EXCEED REVENUE LIMIT
BY \$7,600,000 FOR RECURRING PURPOSES

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of the Hamilton School District, Waukesha County, Wisconsin that the revenues included in the School District budget be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$7,600,000 beginning with the 2024-2025 school year, for recurring purposes consisting of operational and maintenance expenses, including to maintain current class sizes, staffing levels, academic programs, course offerings and services.

RESOLUTION NUMBER II

INITIAL RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS IN AN
AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$25,000,000

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of the Hamilton School District, Waukesha County, Wisconsin that there shall be issued pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes, general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$25,000,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of a school facility improvement project consisting of: district-wide safety and site improvements, building updates and capital maintenance; renovations, including for technical education, science and art classrooms at Hamilton High School and construction of an addition to the cafeteria/commons area; renovations at Templeton Middle School; renovations and construction of an addition at Lannon Elementary School; and acquisition of furnishings, fixtures and equipment.

Ballot Text

The questions will appear on the ballot as follows:

QUESTION NUMBER I

"Shall the Hamilton School District, Waukesha County, Wisconsin be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$7,600,000 beginning with the 2024-2025 school year, for recurring purposes consisting of operational and maintenance expenses, including to maintain current class sizes, staffing levels, academic programs, course offerings and services?"

QUESTION NUMBER II

"Shall the Hamilton School District, Waukesha County, Wisconsin be authorized to issue pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes, general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$25,000,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of a school facility improvement project consisting of: district-wide safety and site improvements, building updates and capital maintenance; renovations, including for technical education, science and art classrooms at Hamilton High School and construction of an addition to the cafeteria/commons area; renovations at Templeton Middle School; renovations and construction of an addition at Lannon Elementary School; and acquisition of furnishings, fixtures and equipment?"

Explanation

The referendum election ballot will ask District electors to vote "yes" or "no" on the referendum election questions as set forth above.

A "yes" vote on Question Number I is a vote to authorize the Hamilton School District budget to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$7,600,000 beginning with the 2024-2025 school year, for recurring purposes consisting of operational and maintenance expenses, including to maintain current class sizes, staffing levels, academic programs, course offerings and services.

A "no" vote on Question Number I is a vote to deny the Hamilton School District the authority to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$7,600,000 beginning with the 2024-2025 school year, for recurring purposes consisting of operational and maintenance expenses, including to maintain current class sizes, staffing levels, academic programs, course offerings and services.

In the event a majority of the electors voting on Question Number I vote "yes", the District will be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$7,600,000 beginning with the 2024-2025 school year, for recurring purposes consisting of operational and maintenance expenses, including to maintain current class sizes, staffing levels, academic programs, course offerings and services; if a majority vote "no" on Question Number I, the District will not be so authorized.

A "yes" vote on Question Number II is a vote to approve the borrowing of \$25,000,000 by the Hamilton School District through the issuance of general obligation bonds for the purpose of paying the cost of a school facility improvement project consisting of: district-wide safety and site improvements, building updates and capital maintenance; renovations, including for technical education, science and art classrooms at Hamilton High School and construction of an addition to the cafeteria/commons area; renovations at Templeton Middle School; renovations and construction of an addition at Lannon Elementary School; and acquisition of furnishings, fixtures and equipment.

A "no" vote on Question Number II is a vote to deny the Hamilton School District the authority to borrow \$25,000,000 through the issuance of general obligation bonds for the purpose of paying the cost of a school facility improvement project consisting of: district-wide safety and site improvements, building updates and capital maintenance; renovations, including for technical education, science and art classrooms at Hamilton High School and construction of an addition to the cafeteria/commons area; renovations at Templeton Middle School; renovations and construction of an addition at Lannon Elementary School; and acquisition of furnishings, fixtures and equipment.

In the event a majority of the electors voting on Question Number II vote "yes", the District will be authorized to undertake the school facility improvement program described in Question Number II and borrow not in excess of \$25,000,000 therefor; if a majority vote "no" on Question Number II set forth above, the District will not be so authorized.

Location and Hours of Polling Places

Information as to the location of the polling places is available in the District Office at W220 N6151 Town Line Road, Sussex, Wisconsin.

All polling places will be open at 7:00 A.M. and will close at 8:00 P.M. All polling places are accessible to elderly and disabled voters.

If you have any questions concerning your polling place, contact the municipal clerk:

Village of Butler Benjamin Hubrich/Village Clerk 12621 W. Hampton Avenue, Butler, 53007 262-783-2525 Monday-Friday, 8 am to 4 pm	Village of Sussex Jennifer Moore/Village Clerk N64 W23760 Main Street, Sussex, 53089 262-246-5204 Monday-Friday, 8 am to 5 pm
Village of Lannon Brenda Klemmer/Village Clerk 20399 W. Main Street, Lannon, 53046 262-251-7690 Monday: 8am-5pm, Tuesday/Thursday: 8am-4pm Friday: 8am to 12pm	City of Brookfield Michelle Luedtke/City Clerk 2000 N. Calhoun Road, Brookfield, 53005 262-782-9650 Monday-Friday, 8 am to 5 pm
Village of Lisbon Elisa Cappozzo Katch/Village Clerk W234 N8676 Woodside Road, Lisbon, 53089 262-246-6100 Monday-Friday, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm	City of Pewaukee Kelly Tarczewski/City Clerk W240 N3065 Pewaukee Road, Pewaukee, 53072 262-691-0770 Monday-Friday, 8 am to 4:30 pm
Village of Menomonee Falls Amy Dishinger/Village Clerk W156 N8480 Pilgrim Road, Menomonee Falls, 53051 262-532-4205 Monday-Friday, 8 am to 4:30 pm	

Notice of Meeting of the School District Board of Canvassers

By no later than 9 a.m. on the Tuesday after the election, the school district board of canvassers shall convene, pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 19.84, for the purpose of conducting the school district canvass pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 7.53(3). This meeting will be open to the public pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 19.81-89.

Information to Electors

Upon entering the polling place and before being permitted to vote, an elector shall:

- state their name and address
- show an acceptable form of photo identification*
- sign the poll book**

***If an elector does not have acceptable photo identification, the elector may obtain a free photo ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles.**

****If the elector is unable to sign the poll book due to disability, a poll worker may write the word "exempt."**

If an elector is not registered to vote, they may register to vote at the polling place serving their residence if the elector provides proof of residence.

Where ballots are distributed to electors, the initials of two inspectors must appear on the ballot.

Upon being permitted to vote, the elector 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 elector 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.

An elector who is a parent or guardian may be accompanied by the elector's minor child or minor ward.

An election official may inform the elector of the proper manner for casting a vote but the official may not advise or indicate a particular voting choice.

Assistance for Voting

An elector may select an individual to assist in casting their vote if the elector 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 elector's employer or an agent of that employer or an officer or agent of a labor organization which represents the elector.

Where Paper Ballots are Used

On referendum questions, the elector shall make a mark (X) in the square next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the elector shall make a mark (X) in the square next to "no" if opposed to the question.

Where Optical Scan Voting is Used

On referendum questions, the elector shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the elector shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to "no" if opposed to the question.

When using an *electronic ballot marking device* (“Automark,” “ExpressVote,” Clear Access or “ImageCast Evolution-ICE”) to mark an **optical scan ballot** on referendum questions, the elector shall touch the screen or use the tactile pad to select "yes" if in favor of the question, or the elector shall touch the screen or use the tactile pad to select "no" if opposed to the question.

Where Touch Screen Voting is Used

On referendum questions, the elector shall touch the screen at "yes" if in favor of the question, or the elector shall touch the screen at "no" if opposed to the question.

After Voting the Ballot

After an official **paper ballot** is marked, it shall be folded so the inside marks do not show, but so the printed endorsements and inspectors' initials on the outside do show. The elector shall deposit the voted ballot in the ballot box or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit and shall leave the polling place promptly.

After an official **optical scan ballot** is marked, it shall be inserted in the security sleeve, so the marks do not show. The elector may insert the ballot in the voting device and discard the sleeve or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. If a central count system is used, the elector shall insert the ballot in the ballot box and discard the sleeve or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. The elector shall leave the polling place promptly.

After an official **touch screen ballot** is cast, the elector shall leave the polling place promptly.

Spoiling Ballots

If an elector 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 elector. If the ballot has not been initialed by two inspectors or is defective in any other way, the elector shall return it to the election official who shall issue a proper ballot in its place.

The elector may spoil a **touch screen** ballot at the voting station before the ballot is cast.

The following is a sample of the official ballot:

Official Referendum Ballot

April 2, 2024

Notice to Voters: If you are voting on Election Day, your ballot must be initialed by two 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).

Instructions to Voters

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 in favor of a question, make an "X" or other mark in the square next to "Yes," like this:

To vote against a question, make an "X" or other mark in the square next to "No," like this:

School District

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Yes

No

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Yes

No

Persons with questions regarding the referendum election should contact Dr. Paul G. Mielke, Superintendent.

Done in the Hamilton School District
on March 27, 2024
Dawn M. Van Aacken
District Clerk