

Notice of Spring Primary Election and Sample Ballots February 18, 2025

Office of the Town of Maple Grove Clerk-Treasurer

To the voters of Town of Maple Grove:

Notice is hereby given of a Spring Primary Election to be held in the Town of Maple Grove on February 18, 2025, at which the officers named below shall be chosen. 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, together with the questions submitted to a vote, for a referendum, if any, 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 Paper Ballots are Used

The voter shall fill in the oval next to the name of the candidate of his or her 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 a person of his or her choice in the space provided for a write-in vote.

Where Electronic Ballot Marking Device (ExpressVote) is used

When using an *electronic ballot marking device* (“*ExpressVote*”) the voter shall touch the screen or use the keypad to select the name of the candidate of his or her choice for each office which they intends to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall type in the name of a person of his or her choice in the space provided for a write-in vote.

Spoiled Ballots

If a voter spoils a 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 ballot is marked, the voter shall deposit the voted ballot in the tabulator and leave the polling place promptly.

Mary Jo Krahn, Clerk-Treasurer
Town of Maple Grove

The following is a sample of the official ballot: