

# Town of Burke

## April 4, 2023 SPRING ELECTION

Town positions on the ballot are your Town Chairperson and two supervisor positions. In-Person absentee voting will be March 21—March 31 at Town Hall between 9:00—4:00 Mon-Thurs and 9:00—noon Fri. 24th and 9:00-5:00 Fri. 31st for the April 4, 2023 Spring Election.

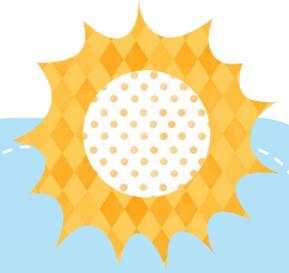
Please take a moment and check your voter information on the statewide MyVote.wi.gov website.

Beginning with the February 21 Election the Town of Burke moved from paper poll books to electronic poll books called *Badger Books*.

### Why are Badger Books being used?

- *Improved wait times for voters:* Poll workers no longer search through a large book to find your name and poll books are no longer divided by last name.
- *Efficient voter registration on Election Day:* Paper registration forms are no longer completed on Election Day; proof of residency is still required to register.
- *Efficient absentee ballot processing on Election Day:* Poll workers scan a bar code on the envelope containing the absentee ballot to locate the voter and assign a voter number instead of using a large book to look for each voter.
- *Voter participation statistics available faster on myvote.wi.gov.* The time for Clerks to record voter participation after an election is drastically reduced.
- *Are Badger Books connected to the internet?* Badger Books are not connected to the internet. Badger Books in each polling place have a secure connection with each other but are unable to connect to the internet or any other network outside of the polling place. Please check out the Badger Books FAQ on the Town website for more information.

**2024 Elections:** February 20 (if necessary), April 2, August 13, and November 5, 2024.



## Your Government

### BOARD MEMBERS

Chair Kevin Viney  
Steve Berg  
Jeff Stieren  
Chris Truitt  
Lisa Rubrich

Town Board meets at 6:00 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month

TOWN OFFICE  
5365 Reiner Road  
Madison WI 53718

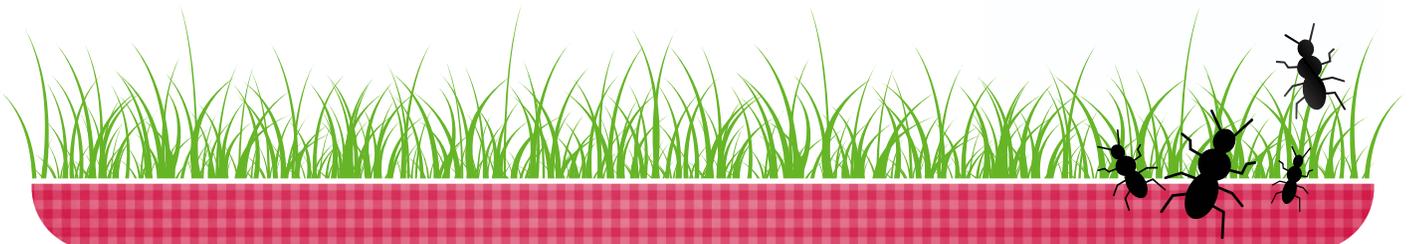
9:00-4:00 M-TH  
9:00-noon Fri

PJ Lentz  
Admin Clerk Treasurer  
608-825-8421

Elissa Friedl  
Deputy Clerk Treasurer  
608-825-8420

BUILDING INSPECTOR  
Chris Butschke  
608-576-6371  
Inspections  
262-420-4732

PELLITTERI  
608-257-4285



## Did you Know?

- Chase Lumber donated a large amount of shingles to be used on our park shelters. Thank You Chase!
- Reiner Road will be under construction this spring/summer with periods of road closures.
- The Town Hall is now available to rent for events and meetings. The contract is online at [Town-ofBurke.com](http://Town-ofBurke.com)
- Town roads and subdivisions are NOT open to golf carts, ETV's or ATVs. Citations may be issued to violators.
- There is a new Park Committee to oversee all the parks and green space in the Town. If interested in volunteering to help, or to submit any comments please email PJ at Clerk [@townofburke.com](mailto:@townofburke.com)

## Yard Waste

Pellitteri Waste Systems will pick up residential yard waste once again. They will be picking up at your road side beginning the week of April 24, May 30, July 10, September 11, October 23, and November 20, 2023.

Yard waste should be placed roadside in reusable plastic containers no larger than 30 gallons or compostable paper bags. If plastic bags are used, they should be left open and not tied. Plastic bags are not preferred and may be left after emptying.

Please have your yard waste out by 6:00 a.m. on the first day of the scheduled pickup. Pellitteri will be making one trip through the Town.

## Brush

Barnes Inc. remains the Town's contracted brush removal company. Please have your residential brush to the roadside by 7:00 a.m. the first Monday of May, July, September (6th), and November (6th). Barnes will be making one trip through the Town.

Brush will be limited to material 10 feet in length and not to exceed 6 inches in diameter. Pile size can not exceed 4'X4'X10' in size. One pile per home. Barnes will not pickup tree roots, root balls, stumps or other logs larger than 6 inches in diameter. Material left by someone other than homeowner will not be collected.

Campfires and cooking fires are allowed without a permit but open burning of leaves and brush requires a permit. To obtain a permit, call 608-837-5066, ext. #4.

## New Town Assessor

The Town has contracted with Associated Appraisal to do our 2023-25 real estate and personal property valuations. They will be in the Town to update the records. Should you have any questions regarding the valuation process please call Associated Appraisal at 1-920-749-1995.



## Spring Clean Up

The Town of Burke Spring Clean Up will be Saturday May 20, 2023 at the Town Hall (5365 Reiner Road) between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon.

This event is offered for the convenience of Town residents to dispose of incidental items. Town Staff and Town Officials will be on site to assist residents.

Items accepted: Furniture, mattresses, small auto parts, carpet, small freon free appliances, toilets and sinks, fluorescent bulbs, dry

cell, rechargeable, and small electronic batteries, lawn mowers, refrigerators, stoves, washers, dryers, etc.

Resource Solutions is providing a dumpster for electronics such as TVs, monitors, computers, printers, etc. See Town website for fees charged. Cash only, no change given.

Not Accepted: constructions materials, stone, gravel, tires, tree parts, yard waste, or any hazardous waste.

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*IN EVERY WALK WITH NATURE...*

*ONE RECEIVES FAR MORE THAN THEY SEEK! (JOHN MUIR)*

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## Madison Area Municipal Storm Water Partnership

The Town of Burke is a member of the Madison Area Municipal Storm Water Partnership (MAMSWP).

MAMSWP will be offering rain barrels to all MAMSWP communities this year. As a resident of the Town of Burke, you are able to purchase a barrel and pick it up here at the Town Hall on May 20 (Spring Clean Up Day).

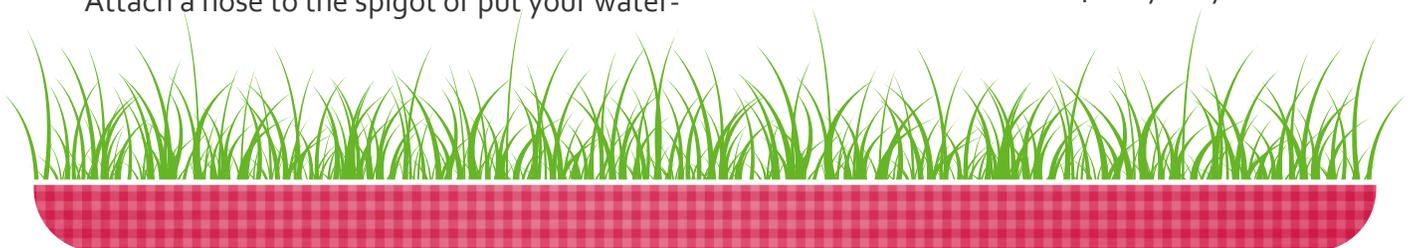
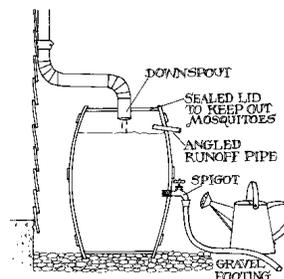
Why a Rain Barrel?

Rain water is "soft" water, free of chlorine, fluoride, lime and calcium. Plants prefer the pH of rain water.

Just one quarter inch of rainfall runoff from the average roof will fill a 55-gallon barrel. Attach a hose to the spigot or put your water-

ing can under the spigot to use the water wherever you want. Barrels can be purchased online at [www.ripple-effects.com](http://www.ripple-effects.com) under the *Get Involved* tab then Rain Barrels. If you want to pick-up your barrel at the Town Hall call 825-8420 to request it. Barrels are \$74 for the kit. As a Burke resident, you may be eligible for a partial re-

fund to be issued after your barrel is installed (see ripple-effects website). To pick up at the Town Hall on May 20 (8 am—noon) call 825-8420 by May 16.



**Looking for a reason to walk Burke Park?**

The Town is looking for a Park Custodian to clean the park and restrooms on weekends.

All supplies provided by the Town. Hourly rate is \$15 and it usually takes about 1 hour per day/2 hours per weekend.

Call 608-825-8420 for more information.

**Town of Burke Annual Meeting of the Electors**

The Annual Town Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 18, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 5365 Reiner Rd, Madison.

The Town Board will swear in your new Town Supervisors based on the April 4 Election results.

Agenda topics will be the fire department annual report, the EMS annual report, Building Inspector's annual report and the Town financial report and budget review.

The annual meeting will be followed by the regular Town Board meeting.

Regular monthly Town Board meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

All Town residents are Welcome!

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Receive the Town newsletter and Town information such as street closings, trash pickup changes, brush and yard waste pickup reminders, by supplying an email address. We will add you to the list.

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