

VOTING BY ABSENTEE BALLOT for the 11/3/2020 Election

Any qualified elector who is unable or unwilling to appear at the polling place on Election Day may submit a request to vote an absentee ballot. The elector must also be registered in order to receive an absentee ballot.

- **You must make a request for an absentee ballot in writing or online at www.MyVote.wi.gov.**
- **An absentee ballot CANNOT be requested over the phone.**
- **Proof of identification must be provided before an absentee ballot may be issued.**

If requesting via www.MyVote.wi.gov: Just look for the “Vote Absentee” button near the top of the page. On a mobile phone, use the menu button in the upper right corner of the website. There is a three-step process that starts with putting in your name and date of birth, followed by requesting your ballot. If you don’t already have a photo ID on file, you can upload a copy. Mobile phone users can take a picture and upload it to MyVote. Absentee ballot requests submitted this way go directly to your clerk’s office, and you can track your ballot by returning to the website.

If requesting via a written request: Your written request must list your voting address within the municipality where you wish to vote, the address where the absentee ballot should be sent, if different, and your signature, along with a copy of your Photo ID, if it’s not on file at MyVote.wi.gov.

You may also request that an application for an absentee ballot be mailed to you for the election, pick an application up at the Municipal Building, or find that application on the town’s website at www.townofgrandrapids.org. Once the application is returned, a ballot would then be mailed to you, if everything is properly completed and included with the request.

Making application to receive an absentee ballot BY MAIL:

**The deadline for making application to receive an absentee ballot by mail is:
5 pm on the fifth day before the election, (October 29, 2020).**

Voting an IN-PERSON absentee ballot:

You may also request and vote an absentee ballot at the Municipal Building during the days and hours specified for casting an absentee ballot in person. Please be sure to bring your Photo ID.

The first day to vote an in-person absentee ballot: *October 20, 2020*

The last day to vote an in-person absentee ballot: *October 30, 2020*

IN-PERSON VOTING will be available from 10/20/2020 to 10/30/2020, during the following hours:

8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday – Thursday
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Friday
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 30, 2020

No in-person absentee voting may occur on the day before the election.

Any ballots received after the polls close at 8:00 p.m. on November 3, 2020 will not be counted.

LOCKED DROP BOX available 24/7

All absentee ballots that are mailed include a stamped envelope to return the ballot in. If you prefer to not mail the ballot back, there is a secure drop box by the front door of the Municipal Building. This drop box is under video surveillance and can be utilized 24 hours a day. The box is frequently emptied during business hours. However, if dropping off a ballot on Election Day itself, 11/3/2020, please bring your ballot directly into the Municipal Building, as the last emptying of the drop box will occur at 4:30 p.m. that day.