NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION AND SAMPLE BALLOT
NOVEMBER 3, 2026

Office of the Vilas County Clerk

To the voters of Vilas County

Notice is hereby given of a general election to be held in Vilas County, on November 3, 2026, at which the officers named below shall be chosen. The names of the candidates for each office to be voted for, whose nominations have been certified to or filed in this office, are listed under the title of the office and under the appropriate party or other designation, together with any referendum questions submitted to a vote, 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. If a voter is unable to state their name and address, an assistant may also do so for the voter.

Where Optical Scan Voting is Used
The voter shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to the name of the candidate of their

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 the person of their choice in the space provided for a write-in vote and fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to the write-in line. On referendum questions, the voter shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the voter shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to "no" if opposed to the question.

Spoiling Ballots

If a voter 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 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 **paper** ballot is marked, it shall be folded so that the inside marks do not show, but so the printed endorsements and inspectors' initials on the outside do show. The voter shall then deposit their folded ballot in the proper ballot box or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit and leave the polling place promptly.

After an official **optical scan** ballot is marked, it may be inserted in a security sleeve so the marks do not show. The voter shall then insert the ballot in the voting device or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. The voter shall leave the polling place promptly.

The following is a sample of the official ballot:

s/Kimberly A. Olkowski, Vilas County Clerk

Ballot ID: 5215

City of Eagle River, Ward 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5

Official Ballot
Partisan Office and Referendum
November 3, 2026

Notice to voters: if you are voting on Election Day, your ballot must be initialed by two (2) 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).

General Instructions

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 for a name on the ballot, fill in the oval next to the name like this: ●

To vote for a name that is not on the ballot, write the name on the line marked "write-in" and fill in the oval next to the name like this: ●

Statewide

When voting for Governor and Lieutenant Governor, you have one of two choices:

- Vote for candidates on one ticket, *or*
- Write in names of persons on both write-in lines

A write-in vote for only a Lieutenant Governor candidate **will not be counted.**

Governor / Lieutenant Governor
Vote for 1

- ◯ Tom Tiffany / David Varnam (Republican)
- ◯ David Crowley / Sarah Godlewski (Democratic)
- ◯ _____ write-in (Governor) _____ write-in (Lieutenant Governor)

Statewide (cont.)

Attorney General
Vote for 1

- ◯ Eric Toney (Republican)
- ◯ Josh Kaul (Democratic)
- ◯ write-in:

Secretary of State
Vote for 1

- ◯ Jay Schroeder (Republican)
- ◯ JoCasta Zamarripa (Democratic)
- ◯ Pete Karas (Wisconsin Green)
- ◯ write-in:

State Treasurer
Vote for 1

- ◯ John S. Leiber (Republican)
- ◯ Yee Leng Xiong (Democratic)
- ◯ write-in:

Congressional

Representative in Congress District 7
Vote for 1

- ◯ Michael Alfonso (Republican)
- ◯ Fred Clark (Democratic)
- ◯ write-in:

Legislative

Representative to the Assembly District 34
Vote for 1

- ◯ Rob Swearingen (Republican)
- ◯ Merlin Van Buren (Democratic)
- ◯ write-in:

County

Sheriff
Vote for 1

- ◯ Gerard T. Ritter (Republican)
- ◯ write-in:

Continue voting at top of next column. | Continue voting at top of next column. | Continue voting on back of ballot.

Page 1 of 2-sided ballot. Ballot continues on other side. →

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SAMPLE

County (cont.)

Clerk of Circuit Court
Vote for 1

- ◯ Beth A. Soltow (Republican)
- ◯ write-in:

Referendum

To vote in favor of a question, fill in the oval next to "Yes," like this: ●

To vote against a question, fill in the oval next to "No," like this: ●

State

QUESTION 1: ***"Partial veto.*** Shall section 10 (1) (c) of article V of the constitution be amended to prohibit the governor, in exercising his or her partial veto authority, from creating or increasing or authorizing the creation or increase of any tax or fee?"

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

Referendum (cont.)

State (cont.)

QUESTION 2: ***"Freedom to gather in places of worship during an emergency.*** Shall section 18 of article I of the constitution, which deals with religious liberty, be amended to prohibit the state or a political subdivision of the state from ordering the closure of, or forbidding gatherings in, places of worship in response to a state of emergency, including a public health emergency?"

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

QUESTION 3: ***"Governmental entity discrimination prohibited.*** Shall section 27 of article I of the constitution be created to prohibit governmental entities in the state from discriminating against, or granting preferential treatment to, any individual or group on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin in public employment, public education, public contracting, or public administration?"

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

Referendum (cont.)

Municipal

QUESTION 1:
Shall the City of Eagle River adopt a charter ordinance creating Section 2-105 of the Eagle River Municipal Code to establish term limits for the offices of Mayor and Alderperson by:

1. Limiting service as Mayor or Alderperson to four consecutive two-year terms;
2. Requiring a six-year period before a person who has served four consecutive terms may again serve in the same office;
3. Prohibiting a person who has served four consecutive terms as Mayor from immediately serving as an Alderperson, and prohibiting a person who has served four consecutive terms as an Alderperson from immediately serving as Mayor; and
4. Counting terms served both before and after enactment of the ordinance when applying these term limits

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

Continue voting at top of next column.

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Partisan Office and Referendum
November 3, 2026

for

City of Eagle River W1-5
Vilas County

Ballot ID: 5215

Continue voting at top of next column.

Ballot issued by

_____
_____
Initials of election inspectors

Absentee ballot issued by

_____
Initials of Municipal Clerk or Deputy Clerk

Certification of Voter Assistance

I certify that I marked or read aloud this ballot at the request and direction of a voter who is authorized under Wis. Stat. §6.82 to receive assistance.

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Signature of assistor

For Official Use Only

Inspectors: Identify ballots required to be remade:

- ☐ Overvoted
- ☐ Damaged
- ☐ Other

If this is the **Original Ballot**, write the serial number here:	If this is the **Duplicate Ballot**, write the serial number here:
_____	_____

_____ _____
Initials of inspectors who remade ballot

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