

NOTICE OF REFERENDUM

River Valley School District

April 2, 2019

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that at an election to be held in the River Valley School District on April 2, 2019, the following proposed Revenue Limit Resolution of the School District Board of Education will be submitted to a vote of the people:

RESOLUTION TO EXCEED REVENUE LIMIT IN THE 2019-2020 THROUGH 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEARS

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of the River Valley School District, Sauk, Richland, Iowa and Dane Counties, 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 up to \$883,000 for the 2019-2020 school year, up to \$2,454,000 for the 2020-2021 school year, up to \$3,213,000 for the 2021-2022 school year (for a total of \$6,550,000) for nonrecurring purposes consisting of maintaining the educational programs and current level of district operations.

The question will appear on the ballot as follows:

“Shall the River Valley School District, Sauk, Iowa, Richland and Dane Counties, Wisconsin, be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by up to \$883,000 for the 2019-2020 school year, up to \$2,454,000 for the 2020-2021 school year, up to \$3,213,000 for the 2021-2022 school year (for a total of \$6,550,000) for nonrecurring purposes consisting of maintaining the educational programs and current level of district operations?”

EXPLANATION

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

A “yes” vote on the question is in favor of the Resolution set forth above and is also a vote to approve the School District having the authority to include in its budget an additional \$883,000 for the 2019-2020 school year, \$2,454,000 for the 2020-21 school year, and \$3,213,000 for the 2021-22 school year for non-recurring purposes. Because these amounts are for nonrecurring purposes (i.e. consisting of maintaining the educational programs and current level of district operations), a “yes” vote approves exceeding the revenue cap in the stated amounts only for each of the specified years and the amounts do not become part of the base for determining the revenue limit in future years.

A “no” vote on the question is opposed the Resolution set forth above and is also a vote to deny the School District the authority to include in its budget an additional \$883,000 for the 2019-2020 school year, \$2,454,000 for the 2020-21 school year, and \$3,213,000 for the 2021-22 school year for non-recurring purposes. Because these amounts are for nonrecurring purposes (i.e. consisting of maintaining the educational programs and current level of district

operations), a "no" vote opposes exceeding the revenue cap in the stated amounts for nonrecurring purposes for each of the specified years and these amounts would not then be included in the budgets for these years.

Notice of Spring Election and

Sample Ballots

April 2, 2019

OFFICE OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

TO THE VOTERS OF RIVER VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Notice is hereby given of a spring election to be held in the River Valley School District on April 2, 2019, 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 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, a voter shall state his or her name and address, show an acceptable form of photo identification and sign the poll book before being permitted to vote. If a voter is not registered to vote, a voter may register to vote at the polling place serving his or her residence, if the voter presents proof of residence in a form specified by law. Where ballots are distributed to voters, the initials of two inspectors must appear on the ballot. Upon being permitted to vote, the voter shall retire alone to a voting booth and cast his or her ballot except that 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 in any manner advise or indicate a particular voting choice.

Where Paper Ballots are Used

The voter shall make a mark (**X**) in the square next to the name of the candidate of his or her choice for each office for which he or she intends 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 his or her choice in the space provided for a write-in vote. On referendum questions, the voter shall make a mark (**X**) in the square next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the voter shall make a mark (**X**) in the square next to "no" if opposed to the question.

When using a *tactile ballot marking device (Vote-PAD)* to mark a **paper** ballot, the voter shall obtain from the inspectors, the assistive device and any audio or dexterity aids if required. The voter shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to the name of the candidate of his or her choice for each office for which he or she intends 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, 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.

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 his or her choice for each office for which he or she intends 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 his or her 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.

When using an *electronic ballot marking device* ("Automark") to mark an **optical scan** ballot, the voter shall touch the screen at the name of the candidate of his or her choice for each office for which he or she intends to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall type in the name of the person of his or her choice in the space provided for a write-in vote. On referendum questions, the voter shall touch the screen at "yes" if in favor of the question, or the voter shall touch the screen at "no" if opposed to the question.

Where Touch Screen Voting is Used

The voter shall touch the screen at the name of the candidate of his or her choice for each office for which he or she intends to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall type in the name of the person of his or her choice in the space provided for a write-in vote. On referendum questions, the voter shall touch the screen at "yes" if in favor of the question, or the voter shall touch the screen at "no" if opposed to the question.

The vote should not be cast in any other manner. Not more than five minutes' time shall be allowed inside a voting booth or machine. Sample ballots or other materials to assist the voter in casting his or her vote 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.

If the voter spoils a **paper or optical scan** ballot, he or she 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.

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

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 voter shall leave the booth, deposit the 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. After casting his or her vote, the voter shall leave the booth, 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 voter shall insert the ballot in the ballot box and discard the sleeve, or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. The voter shall leave the polling place promptly.

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

A voter may select an individual to assist in casting his or her vote if the voter declares to the presiding official that he or she is unable to read, has difficulty reading, writing or understanding English or that due to disability is unable to cast his or her 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.

The following are samples of the official ballots:

Official Ballot

School Board Member

April 2, 2019

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 back 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 for a name on the ballot, make an "X" or other mark in the square 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."

School Board Member from Area No. 3	School Board Member from Area No. 6
Vote for 1	Vote for 1
<input type="checkbox"/> Jeffrey J. Maier	<input type="checkbox"/> Sara Young
write-in: _____	write-in: _____
School Board Member from Area No. 9	
Vote for 1	
<input type="checkbox"/> John D. Bettinger	
write-in: _____	

Official Referendum Ballot

April 2, 2019

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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 "Yes," like this: ☒

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

Referendum	
Shall the River Valley School District, Sauk, Iowa, Richland and Dane Counties, Wisconsin, be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by up to \$883,000 for the 2019-2020 school year, up to \$2,454,000 for the 2020-2021 school year, up to \$3,213,000 for the 2021-2022 school year (for a total of \$6,550,000) for nonrecurring purposes consisting of maintaining the educational programs and current level of district operations?	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/>	No

LOCATION AND HOURS OF POLLING PLACES

At the election to be held on April 2, 2019, in the River Valley School District, the following polling place locations will be used for the wards (if any) indicated:

<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Location</u>
Town of Spring Green	Town Hall – E4411 Kennedy Road
Village of Spring Green	Spring Green Community Library–230 E. Monroe Street
Village of Plain	Plain Municipal Office-510 Main Street
Town of Bear Creek	Bear Creek Town Hall – CTH G

Town of Troy	Troy Town Hall – S10371 Cty. Rd. C
Village of Lone Rock	Village Office, 314 E. Forest Street
Town of Buena Vista	Buena Vista Town Hall - Gotham
Village of Arena	Arena Village Hall – 345 West Street
Town of Arena	Arena Town Hall – Hwy. 14
Town of Wyoming	Wyoming Town Hall – Hwy. 23
Town of Clyde	Clyde Community Center – Hwy. 130
Town of Black Earth	Black Earth Village Office – 1210 Mills Street
Town of Honey Creek	Honey Creek Town Hall - Denzer
Town of Franklin	Town Shop Office Rm., 550 Main Street, Plain
Town of Dodgeville	Town of Dodgeville Garage & Office –108 E. Leffler
Town of Ridgeway	Ridgeway Town Hall - 6300 Town Hall Road
Town of Ithaca	Ithaca Town Garage – Willow Creek Rd.

ALL POLLING PLACES WILL OPEN AT 7:00 A.M. AND WILL CLOSE AT 8:00 P.M.

If you have any questions concerning your polling place, or wish to obtain office hours for your local municipality, contact your local municipal clerk:

Dayna Dreis
Town of Black Earth
P. O. Box 426
Black Earth, WI 53515-0426
608-795-4986

June Gilbertson
Town of Clyde
6237 Valley Rd.
Avoca, WI 53506-9302
608-583-4925

Nancy Parkos
Town of Ridgeway
6300 Town Hall Rd.
Ridgeway, WI 53582-9686
608-924-2247

Cathy Acker
Town of Arena
P. O. Box 126
Arena, WI 53503-0126
608-753-2862

Sara J. Olson
Town of Dodgeville
108 E. Leffler Street
Dodgeville, WI 53533
608-935-5808

Mary Lloyd-Jones
Town of Wyoming
P. O. Box 1013
Spring Green, WI 53588-1013
608-588-9000

Lisa K. Kopic
Village of Arena
345 West Street
Arena, WI 53503-9613
608-753-2133

Sheila Kitsembel
Town of Ithaca
29475 Nebraska Rd.
Richland Center, WI 53581
608-585-2610

Eileen Eberle
Town of Bear Creek
E2578 County Road B
Lone Rock, WI 53556-9624
608-546-2201

Crystal Fahrenkamp
Town of Honey Creek
E9344 Prairie Rd.
North Freedom, WI 53951-9740
608-477-0304

Mary Zins
Town of Troy
E9699 Fuchs Rd.
Sauk City, WI 53583-9683
608-544-3549

Wendy Crary
Village of Spring Green
154 N. Lexington Street
Spring Green, WI 53588-0158
608-588-2335

Van Nelson
Town of Buena Vista
29440 US Hwy 14
Lone Rock, WI 53556
608-583-2406

Karen Kampen
Village of Lone Rock
P. O. Box 338
Lone Rock, WI 53556-0338
608-583-0088

Victoria L. Stingley
Town of Franklin
E4801 County Road GG
Hillpoint, WI 53937-9782
608-495-3354

Vicki Terpstra
Town of Spring Green
P. O. Box 216
Spring Green, WI 53588-0261
608-588-3235

Sheila Carver
Village of Plain
510 Main Street
Plain, WI 53577
608-546-2047

All polling places are accessible to elderly and disabled voters.

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 will convene 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.



Deborah A. Nelson
School District Clerk