

## FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

### February 13, 2023 at 5:00 PM

Council Chambers, 828 Center Avenue, Sheboygan, WI

It is possible that a quorum (or a reverse quorum) of the Sheboygan Common Council or any other City committees/boards/commissions may be in attendance, thus requiring a notice pursuant to State ex rel. Badke v. Greendale Village Board, 173 Wis. 2d 553,494 N.W.2d 408 (1993).

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### **OPENING OF MEETING**

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call (Alderpersons Mitchell, Filicky-Peneski, Perella, Ackley and Felde may attend remotely)
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Introduction of Committee Members and Staff

### MINUTES

5. Approval of Minutes - January 23, 2023

### ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

6. Gen. Ord. No. 20-22-23 / February 6, 2023: AN ORDINANCE re-establishing the salaries of Election officials.

### DATE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING

7. Next Meeting Date - February 27, 2023

### ADJOURN

8. Motion to Adjourn

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### **CITY OF SHEBOYGAN**

### **REQUEST FOR FINANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION**

**ITEM DESCRIPTION:** Gen. Ord. No. 20-22-23 by Alderpersons Mitchell and Felde reestablishing the salaries of Election officials.

**REPORT PREPARED BY:** Meredith DeBruin, City Clerk

<b>REPORT DATE:</b> 2-9-23		<b>MEETING DATE: 2-13-23</b>					
FISCAL SUMMARY:		STATUTORY REFERENCE:					
Budget Line Item:	N/A	Wisconsin	7.03				
Budget Summary: Budgeted Expenditure:	N/A N/A	Statutes: Municipal Code:	N/A				
Budgeted Revenue:	N/A						

### **BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:**

Wisconsin Statutes requires that a reasonable daily compensation be paid to each election official. Election officials are not allowed to leave the premises on Election day.

### **STAFF COMMENTS:**

The City of Sheboygan currently compensates Election Officials \$120.00/day and Co-Chairpersons \$145.00/day. In addition, \$10.00 is paid for attending instructional meetings, and \$10.00/hour for special nursing home deputies. Of the responses received from a survey of other Sheboygan County and similar municipalities, this salary amount is the lowest (see attachment). The previous increase to salaries was in 2018 and again in 2008.

Co-Chairpersons are officials in-charge of the polling location on election day, however they perform many duties outside of election hours including calling officials to staff their locations and attend training, remaining current in changing laws/policies, setting up their polling locations before the election, returning to City Hall with ballots and paperwork election night, and collaborating with each other.

All election officials are essential and in recent years have been subjected to increased scrutiny. It continues to be difficult to recruit qualified officials.

### **ACTION REQUESTED:**

Motion to recommend the Common Council adopt Gen. Ord. No. 20-22-23. It is also asked that when Council reviews the list of salaries from other municipalities, council amend the Ordinance to further increase salaries.

### ATTACHMENTS:

I. Current salaries for Election Officials in other municipalities.



Gen. Ord. No. <u>70 - 22 - 23</u>. By Alderpersons Mitchell and Felde. February 6, 2023.

AN ORDINANCE re-establishing the salaries of Election Officials.

WHEREAS, Election Officials have not received a salary increase since 2018; and

WHEREAS, full-time Election Officials are not allowed to leave the premises on Election Day; and

WHEREAS, full-time Election Officials currently work approximately 14-16 hours on an election day, and part-time Election Officials currently work approximately 7-9 hours on an election day; and

WHEREAS, Wis. Stats. § 7.03 requires that a reasonable daily compensation be paid to each inspector; and

WHEREAS, current Election Official pay in the City of Sheboygan is currently the lowest in the county; and

WHEREAS, average Election Official pay in the other communities in Sheboygan County is just under \$180.00 for a full day and \$90.00 for a half day (i.e., just under \$12.00 per hour), and just under \$212.00 for chief inspectors (chairpersons), excluding the benefits some communities provide; and

WHEREAS, it is becoming increasingly difficult to find and keep qualified and competent inspectors.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHEBOYGAN DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Election Officials appointed to perform election duties in the various wards of the City of Sheboygan shall be paid in accordance with the following schedule:

> \$ 75.00 for half of Election Day \$150.00 for full Election Day \$175.00 for co-chairpersons \$ 10.00 for attending instructional meeting \$ 10.00 per hour for special nursing home deputies

Section 2. All ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and this ordinance shall be in effect from and after its passage and publication.

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Election Official Salary - 2023						
	Election	Chief Inspector	Extras			
	Official	(Co-Chairperson)	EXUAS			
Cedar Grove	14	14	lunch and dinner			
Glenheulah	14	15				
Howards Grove	9	10				
Lyndon	11	12				
Random Lake	10	12				
Sheboygan Falls	130/DAY	150/DAY				
Sherman	11	12				
Town of Greenbush	10	12				
Town of Holland	14.5	14.5				
Town of Mitchell	10	12	food, beverage, mileage			
Town of Plymouth	13	14				
Town of Rhine	10	13	meal, snacks, drinks			
Town of Russell	13	13				
Town of Sheboygan	13	15				
Town of Sheboygan Fal	20	20				
Town of Wilson	12	15	snack, drink, lunch			
Village of Oostburg	12	17				
Village of Waldo	10.5	10.5	meal			
OSHKOSH	9.5	13				
GREEN BAY	225/DAY	340/DAY				
APPLETON	13	13				