

Declaration of candidacy process begins Dec. 1 for municipal candidates

The following Village of Howard elected positions will be on the April 2017 ballot:

Municipal Court Judge (four-year term)

Village President (three-year term)

*Village Board of Trustees (two-year terms)**

- Trustee for Wards 1-2
- Trustee for Wards 3-4
- Trustee for Wards 13-14, 18
- Trustee for Wards 15-17

* The trustees for Wards 5-6, Wards 7-8, Wards 9-10, and Wards 11-12 are on the Spring ballot in even years. The president serves a three-year term. The municipal judge serves a four-year term.

Each of the following forms must be completed and filed on time by candidates for municipal office in order for the candidate's name to be placed on the ballot for the February Spring Primary and/or the April Spring Election. Interested residents should follow these steps:

- Complete and submit a Campaign Registration Statement (Form GAB-1) to the village clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday of January.
 - ⇒ New candidates should file a campaign registration statement as soon as they decide to seek elective office and before funds are collected or spent.
 - ⇒ Continuing candidates should file an amended campaign registration statement indicating the office sought and the new primary and election dates.
 - ⇒ All candidates should file a campaign registration statement or amended statement before circulating nomination papers. A current form must be filed with the filing officer no later than the first Tuesday of January, or the candidate's name will not be placed on the ballot.
- Circulate and submit Nomination Paper for Nonpartisan Office (Form GAB-169) to the filing officer no later than 5:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday of January. Nomination papers may not be circulated before December 1. The number of signatures required for all village offices is 20 – 100.
- Complete and submit a Declaration of Candidacy (Form GAB-162) to the filing officer no later than 5:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday in January.

All forms are available under the "Elections" tab on the Government Accountability Board website at www.gab.wi.gov. Prepared packets, including a Ballot Access Checklist and all required forms, also are available at Howard Village Hall, located at 2456 Glendale Ave.