



211 Walnut Street
Neenah, WI 54956

AN ORDINANCE: By the Finance and Personnel Committee
Re: Renumbering (Title) Ch. 2, Art. VII as Ch. 2, Art. VIII (Municipal Court); Creating Ch. 2, Art. VII – Elections and creating Neenah Code §2-245, relating to Municipal Board of Absentee Canvassers.

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-22
Introduced: November 6, 2019
Committee/Commission Action:
RECOMMENDED FOR PASSAGE

AN ORDINANCE

The Common Council of the City of Neenah, Wisconsin, do ordain as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 2, Article VII – Municipal Court, is renumbered as Chapter 2, Article VIII – Municipal Court.

Section 2. “Chapter 2, Article VII – Elections” (Title) is hereby created as a title prior to Neenah Code Section 2-245.

Section 3. Section 2-245 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Neenah, relating to Municipal Board of Absentee Canvassers, is hereby created to read as follow:

Sec. 2-245. Municipal Board of Absentee Canvassers

- (a) The Board of Canvassers shall be composed of the City Clerk or a qualified elector of the city designated by the City Clerk, and two other qualified electors of the city appointed by the City Clerk for a term of two years commencing on January 1 of each odd-numbered year. The initial terms of appointment shall expire December 31, 2020, unless reappointed. All appointments shall comply with Wis. Stats. §§7.52 and 7.53.
- (b) The Board of Absentee Canvassers shall operate pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stats. §§7.52 and 7.53, as applicable.

- (c) Pursuant to Wis. Stats. §7.52(1)(b), the City Clerk may appoint additional inspectors to assist the absentee ballot board of canvassers in canvassing absentee ballots under this section.
- (d) The City Council, in lieu of canvassing absentee ballots at the polling places, hereby provides for the canvassing of absentee ballots by the Board of Absentee Ballots Canvassers, which shall canvass all absentee ballots at all elections held in the city pursuant to procedures established by the state division governing elections.
- (e) Pursuant to Wis. Stats. §7.52 the City Clerk shall give 48 hour notice of any meeting of the Board of Absentee Canvassers.
- (f) The City Clerk, no later than the closing of the polls, shall post at the City Clerk's Office and on the internet at a site announced by the City Clerk before the poll opens, and shall make available to any person upon request, a statement of the number of absentee ballots that the City Clerk has mailed or transmitted to electors and that have been returned by the closing hour on election day.

Section 4. Severability. In the event any section, subsection, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this ordinance. It is the legislative intent of the Common Council that this ordinance would have been adopted if such illegal provision had not been included or any illegal application had not been made.

Section 5. Repeal and Effective Date. All ordinances or parts of ordinances and resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed. This ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage and publication.

Recommended by: Finance & Personnel
Committee

Moved by: Ald. Erickson/Stevenson

Adopted: 9-0 November 6, 2019

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CITY OF NEENAH



Dean R. Kaufert, Mayor

Attest:



Patricia A. Sturn, City Clerk

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