

A candlelight vigil was held outside Don Ramon's Mexican Restaurant in Mayville on Wednesday, Oct. 26. A crowd assembled to remember the owner and beloved community member, Felix Sanchez, after his unexpected passing the day before. The Downtown Mayville restaurant re-opened on Oct. 27, writing on its Facebook: "Please come and enjoy the fantastic food and atmosphere Felix created for every one of us." Read more about Sanchez's life on p. 3.

CLARICE CASE PHOTO

## Community Clerks Reflect on Elections with Midterms on Tuesday

The trio from Horicon, Lomira and Mayville ensured local elections are secure and encouraged everyone who can to vote on Nov. 8

## MITCHELL BRADLEY KELLER

 EDITORIt is election season - the U.S. mid terms and a slate of local races will be decided next week Tuesday - but the three public service professionals that know elections in this readership area better than anyone else would tell you that word, "season", may be a misnomer, as it implies, even if brief, closure.
"It never ends," said Lomira Village Administrator Jenna Rhein, who also serves as clerk and treasurer.
Rhein's remark was punctuated by commiserating laughter from City of Mayville Clerk Sara Decker and City of Horicon ClerkTreasurer Kristen Jacobson, as the
trio discussed something they've each become experts on in their combined decades of service to the public: elections.
They met at a coffee shop in the City of Mayville last month and shared stories and reflections about what it is like assisting residents in the time-honored, democratic practice of voting.
Some readers may not realize just how much of the election process is overseen and managed by municipal offices; the town, village and city clerks serve as primary contacts and directors for both voters and state officials.
"In my office, I do most of the
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## Lomira Juniors Great at State



Lomira Lions cross country teammates, Carter Hahn and Sasha Doyle, at the 110th annual WIAA State Boys \& Girls Cross Country Championships held in Wisconsin Rapids. Hahn finished in 88th place with a time of 17:57, and Doyle took 21st in 20:07. More on p. 17.

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## Flyway Football All-Conference Catalog Full of Cards

A total of 21 Flyway award slots were filled by Mayville Cardinals with Blake Schraufnagel, Brad Bushke and Hewsten Steger winning player-of-the-year honors for offense, defense and the line, respectively

## MITCHELL BRADLEY KELLER

 EDITORIt was nearly a clean sweep of the top Flyway Conference football AllConference awards for members of the Mayville Cardinals, as Blake

Schraufnagel was named Offensive Player of the Year, Brad Bushke named Defensive Player of the Year and Hewsten Steger received Co-Lineman of the Year, as this year's Mayville squad was represented on every segment of the annual awards' listing.

Preventing an undisputed sweep of the top categories was Lomira senior Matt Schlevan, who earned a share of the Lineman of the Year title with Red Rival Steger.

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## HORICON

## Vote!

The midterm election is Tuesday, Nov. 8, and the Pionier staff encourages everyone to get out and vote. The City of Horicon polling place is City Hall at 404 E. Lake St.

LOMIRA

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election [work]," added Decker, noting that the city's support staff - which includes poll workers - is also a tremendous part of operating polling places. "It's constant training and it really doesn't end."
All while adhering to federal and state-mandated laws that dictate elections - laws that all three agreed have changed rapidly in just the last few years - the clerks' offices also process paperwork for candidates, manage voter registrations and plan out the logistics of election night.
On top of the "big event" that is Election Day, Kristen Jacobson said state-level guidance can oscillate, and constant education is a requirement.
"Even if we wanted to not worry about elections 365 days, the Wisconsin Elections Commission forces you to worry about them 365 days," she added.

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The Wisconsin Elections Commission and the state provide regular updates to the ever-changing world of running elections. In addition to remote training and education, there are also in-person conventions that keep municipal clerks up-to-date on the laws and regulations.
In any given year - particularly even years with a general election - once one election wraps up, clerks must begin preparing for the next. For example, next year's Spring Primary election will be held February 21. The official Spring Election, then, takes place April 4.
"Already, by the beginning of December, we have papers circulating for April," explained Decker.
And while voters are historically more inclined to turnout in larger numbers for presidential or gubernatorial races, local elections run regardless, even in odd years.
"What I think people don't realize is that preparing for an election starts months before the election," said Rhein, who was appointed village administrator in January of this year and spent nearly 11 years as the clerk/treasurer. "We're doing mailings, absentee ballot requests... That already starts well-in-advance of election day."
Jacobson, who has been with Horicon for more than 20 years and has served as clerk/treasurer the last 11, noted a near hyper-vigilance that those in her profession manage throughout the year.

She started by detailing the process the day after
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ESTATE ONLLINE AUCTION
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Join School District of Horicon Superintedent Rich Appel from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. in the school district Board of Education Room (use entrance A3) on Thursday, Nov. 10 for coffee, conversation and a short school focused presentation.
Registration is not needed and all ages are invited.

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the election.
"You have to record all the participation from the previous day, and you have 30 days to get that done," she
said, acknowledging that other regular duties in the office also cannot be set aside. "We don't just do elections, we have other priorities that we have to manage."

## NOTICE

CITY OF HORICON
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT: the City of Horicon's Detail Budget is available for public inspection at the Office of City Clerk, 404 East Lake Street, from 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, except holidays.
The Public Hearing on the Proposed 2023 Budget will be held at $6: 00$ p.m. November 22 2022 in the Activity Room at City Hall, 404 East Lake Street. The following is a summary of the Proposed 2023 Budget for the City of Horicon:

# 2023 GENERAL FUND PROPOSED BUDGET 

$\begin{array}{cccc}2022 & 2022 & 2023 & \text { \%CHANGE } \\ \text { BUDGET } & \text { ESTIMATED } & \text { PROPOSED } \\ \text { INCREASE } \\ \text { (DECREASE) }\end{array}$

## REVENUES:

TAXES (OTHER THAN PROPERTY TAXES) SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES LICENSES AND PERMITS FINES, FORFEIT AND PENALTIES PUBLIC CHARGES FOR SERVICE MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES OTHER FINANCING SOURCES TOTAL REVENUES

EXPENDITURES:

| GENERAL GOVERNMENT | 843,552 | 816,572 | 894,860 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| PUBLIC SAFETY | 1,413,012 | 1,343,936 | 1,492,118 |  |
| PUBLIC WORKS | 728,562 | 635,823 | 769,589 |  |
| HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES | 22,365 | 20,148 | 24,506 |  |
| CULTURE, RECREATION \& EDUCATION | 482,065 | 508,149 | 538,410 |  |
| CONSERVATION \& DEVELOPMENT | 43,140 | 21,380 | 43,212 |  |
| CAPITAL OUTLAY | 180,210 | 152,987 | 289,610 |  |
| DEBT SERVICE | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| OTHER FINANCING USES | 415,518 | 396,124 | 410,515 |  |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURES | 4,128,424 | 3,895,119 | 4,462,820 | 8.10 |
| EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) |  |  |  |  |
| EXPENDITURES | (2,234,115) | $(1,775,857)$ | (2,510,186) |  |
| LOCAL PROPERTY TAXES | 2,108,686 | 2,108,686 | 2,127,913 | 0.91 |
| NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT) | $(125,429)$ | 332,829 | $(382,273)$ |  |

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2023 PROPOSED BUDGET ALL FUNDS OF CITY

|  |  |  |  | FUND | FUND | PROPERTY |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | TOTAL | TOTAL | EXCESS | BALANCE | BALANCE | TAX |
| FUND | REVENUES | EXPENSES | (DEFICT) | 1-Jan-23 | 31-Dec-23 | CONTRIBUTION |
| GENERAL | 4,080,547 | 4,462,820 | $(382,273)$ | 3,831,235 | 3,448,962 | 2,127,913 |
| IND. DEVELOPMENT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| COMM. DEVEL. AUTH. | 4 | 2,030 | $(2,026)$ | 6,214 | 4,188 |  |
| LIBRARY | 80,364 | 76,306 | 4,058 | 263,450 | 267,508 |  |
| WASTE REMOVAL | 231,660 | 231,457 | 203 | 9,668 | 9,871 |  |
| SCHOOL RESRCE OFFC | 113,392 | 113,392 | 0 | 9,049 | 9,049 |  |
| DEBT SERVICE | 399,838 | 435,187 | $(35,349)$ | 35,348 | (1) | 399,838 |
| T.I.F. \# 4 | 2,977,159 | 1,815,637 | 1,161,522 | $(266,088)$ | 895,434 |  |
| T.I.F. \#5 | 353,022 | 372,643 | $(19,621)$ | $(887,310)$ | $(906,931)$ |  |
| T.I.F. \#6 | 91,134 | 99,225 | $(8,091)$ | 38,438 | 30,347 |  |
| CAPITAL EQUIPMENT | 263,281 | 170,216 | 93,065 | 106,478 | 199,543 |  |
| CAPITAL PROJECT | 182,438 | 88,104 | 94,334 | 563,787 | 658,121 |  |
| WATER UTILITY | 1,001,619 | 1,289,068 | $(287,449)$ | $(888,591)$ | $(1,176,040)$ |  |
| WASTEWATER UTILITY | 994,146 | 1,115,483 | $(121,337)$ | 860,233 | 738,896 |  |
| FIREMEN'S PENSION | 3,605 | 3,060 | 545 | 7,660 | 8,205 |  |
| TOTALS | 10,772,209 | 10,274,628 | 497,581 | 3,689,571 | 4,187,152 | 2,527,751 |

## TAX LEVY SUMMARY

GENERAL FUND
DEBT SERVICE FUND
DEBT SERVICE
TOTAL LEVY

|  |  | INCREASE | $\%$ |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2022 | 2023 | (DECREASE) | CHANGE |
| $2,108,686$ | $2,127,913$ | 19,227 |  |
| 375,170 | 399,838 | 24,668 |  |
| $2,483,856$ | $2,527,751$ | 43,895 | 1.77 |

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The City's outstanding General Obligation debt on December 31, 2022, is $\$ 5,583,915.41$. No new debt is planned for 2023.

The budget reflects normal operating expenses and revenues. Included is $\$ 100,000$ for milling and overlay, crack filling, and/or sealcoating of City streets. Outlay items include 8,816 portion of software upgrade, $\$ 15,500$ replacement of 1 HVAC unit at City Hall, \$37,470 mill and overlay of back parking area at the Municipal Building, $\$ 33,326$ mill and overlay east side of Public Safety Building parking lot, $\$ 21,120$ purchase of 4 body cams, 8 tough books for the PD in the amount of $\$ 32,657, \$ 10,6503$ sets Fire Department turn out gear, $\$ 14,710$ extrication equipment for the Fire Department, $\$ 19,303$ Lucas machine for the EMS, $\$ 23,752$ purchase of solar powered Pedestrian Crossing signage, $\$ 6,700$ portion of GIS mapping, $\$ 5,500$ tree planting, $\$ 12,000$ Emerald Ash tree removal, $\$ 11,560$ replacement of roof at Bowling Green Park, and $\$ 30,345$ fencing at Discher Park baseball field. Equipment Replacement Fund includes: $\$ 71,235$ purchase of squad car, $\$ 31,574$ power load cot upgrade in ambulance, and $\$ 63,380$ purchase of Ventrac tractor with attachments. No Projects are budgeted for 2023. Water Utility projects include: \$15,000 flushing of water lines, \$19,750 leak correlator, $\$ 6,700$ portion of GIS mapping, $\$ 4,477$ portion of software upgrade, $\$ 11,500$ cash flow analysis and rate study, and purchase of 2023 Dodge Ram (1/2) \$20,932. Wastewater Utility projects include: $\$ 25,260$ manhole rehabilitation, $\$ 6,700$ portion of GIS mapping, $\$ 4,477$ portion of software upgrade, $\$ 10,500$ cash flow analysis and rate study, facility planning study $\$ 60,875, \$ 18,000$ Chestnut Street Lift pump and control panel, $1 / 2$ purchase of 2023 Dodge Ram \$20,932, and \$11,000 purchase of 2018 JD 1025R.

Dated this $31^{\text {st }}$ of October 2022
Kristen M. Jacobson, City Clerk-Treasurer
WNAXLP 11/3


The municipal clerks of the Pionier readership area. The trio discussed the upcoming November election last month, as polls open next week Tuesday. Pictured from left are Village of Lomira Administrator-Clerk-Treasurer Jenna Rhein, City of Mayville Clerk Sara Decker and City of Horicon Clerk-Treasurer Kristen Jacobson.

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Much of what keeps Jacobson, Decker and Rhein on their feet is novel; a product of the pandemic elections. At one point in the last two years, absentee voting and the use of drop boxes was mandatory. Today, use of drop boxes is largely prohibited and new regulations for absentee voting have been put in place.
The flip-flopping and confusion left behind physical remnants of what was a vexing time: specific language, asking voters not to use drop boxes to deliver their ballots, have become normal at municipal buildings across the state.

Changes to the in-person absen tee request and drop-off periods also caused uncertainty, as some absentee voters believed they could simply drop off requests or ballots at city hall. The process, at least up until October 25, was to be done through the mail.
"You can't hand-deliver an absentee ballot request until two weeks before the election," confirmed Decker, adding that she had to advise residents to go home and send the documentation through the mail.
Rules and regulations, the three agreed, were paramount to running transparent and free elections, but each did lament that some of the recent changes, even if implemented for the right reasons, have had a reverse effect.
"The people that are making the rules are not the people that are here," said Decker, adding that policymakers likely do not realize that adding more hoops can, at times, open up the possibility for more human er ror or fraud. "How does it make any sense for me to say, 'Hey, [resident], I know you're here and this is you and you're requesting [a ballot], [but] put it in the mail, where who knows what could happen to it."
Each noted, especially in the smaller communities that they serve, that the face-to-face process of absentee voting has gotten lost in the shuffle. The trio speculated that, perhaps, some of the newer measures might be more beneficial in larger municipalities.
Regardless, the three were quick and secure in their answers on whether or not residents should be concerned about fraudulent elections in these communities.
"People talk about the fraud," said Decker. "It's not happening here."
"No," said Rhein and Jacobson, in tandem.
"Everything we do, we are balanc ing and recounting it and then bal-
ancing it with [another] number. It would have to be a group effort in order to falsify any of our records, and [all the poll workers] would have to be on the same side," continued Decker, trying to envision exactly how the process could be corrupted without intervention. "With absentee ballots, we verify how many we're supposed to have verses how many we have. If I sent out 80 ballots and only get 50 , I have record of that."
Rhein posited that some of the claims of falsehoods, at least on the national scale, might in part be due to a misunderstanding of how and when votes are tabulated.
"Some people think that when they vote absentee that their ballots are counted right away. I get that question a lot," she said. "Actually, no, when someone votes absentee... We have the ballots locked in a safe until Election Day and then on Election Day they are brought to the polling place in batches, and we will open them there. Nothing is counted prior to Election Day. We keep them in a locked, fireproof safe."
Of course, being a smaller community does not mean that errors or violations are glazed over or missed. But, they might be easier to identity and even address.
As for the poll workers themselves, Rhein said it is not difficult to indentify persons who might cause problems. She said there have been occasions she needed to turn away a potential poll worker due to excessive partisan expressions, both online and in-person, which would violate elections rules.
"This person was very vocal about the side they represented, wearing campaign stuff in training, and I had to explain to this person that I can't take the risk," said Rhein, noting the expectations levied by the state and federal governments. "This has to be a neutral zone."
Rhein said those who can respect the rules and participate in the process, though, are often dedicated to Election Day for years in a row.
"I don't think our elections would run as smooth without the great crew I have. They are very reliable people, and our elections run smoothly," she said. "We follow the rules, and we have folks who have integrity and know how to run elections like we should."
A big credit to keeping elections fair, the trio said, was the spirit of their poll workers, particularly

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through the pandemic. While some have officially retired from the tradition, at least in Horicon, Jacobson has been happy to have most return.
"We were very lucky. We had [nearly] all of our workers back," she said.

In Mayville, the numbers could be better, according to Decker, but she is confident her election officials and poll workers have one mission: run a transparent election.
"Their heart and soul is into it, they're there to do the best they can and they really, really care about it,"

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said Decker, again noting one of the luxuries of living in a tight-knit community. "That's part of our smalltown feel. We know these people."
While it can be stressful, Decker, Jacobson and Rhein all spoke about the rewards of helping their neigh bors vote. For one, they all viewed it as a privilege to participate in such an American process. They also added that the poll workers become somewhat of a family - sometimes literally, as daughters, husbands and parents have filled in when needed - as the group enjoys several meals together, sometimes potlucks, and a tremendous amount of time.
The trio encouraged all readers to consider working elections, and invited residents to ask them questions should they be considering it.
There was also another thing they wished to remind everyone to do: Vote!

Please be sure to thank your community poll workers this election "season" and contact municipal clerks with questions regarding elections or work ing elections via the information listed below.

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## UNDERSTANDING THE ADOPTION

## TAX CREDIT

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credit and if they can claim it when filing their taxes:
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of the credit.
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chid is identified. For example some future adootive parents pay for a home study at the beginning of the adoption process. These parents can claim the fees as qualified adoption expenses.

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## KNOWLES FIRE DEPARTMENT

RAFFLE AND FUN NIGHT
Saturday, November 5 th, $2022 \cdot 7$ p.m.-? at the KNOWLES FIREHOUSE
DOOR PRIZES • LUNCH • REFRESHMENTS

## Election Day Chili/Soup Supper

## Drive Thru Only

Emmanuel UMC 222 S. Cedar St. Horicon Tuesday, November 8th 4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. or until sold out Chili with or without macaroni or Vegetable Soup, Pumpkin Bars or Apple Squares Phone orders start at 4:00 p.m.

8436 Free Will Offering

Orders can be picked up at the parking lot behind church, watch for signs on S. Cedar St.

Proceeds will go to PAVE and Local Food Pantries Part of the Shared Covenant Ministries of Horicon, Juneau \& Lowell

