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Sec. 2-1-1 Village Government.

The Village of Elk Mound is a body corporate and politic with the powers of a municipality at common law and governed by the provisions of Chapters 61 and 66, Wis. Stats., laws amending those chapters, other acts of the legislature and the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin.

State Law Reference: Wis. Const., Art. XI, Sec. 3.

Sec. 2-1-2 Candidates for Elective Office; Nomination Papers; Primary Elections.

- (a) **Candidates for Elective Office; Nomination Papers.**
- (1) The Village of Elk Mound elects to use the nomination paper system for elective Village officers, replacing the caucus system.
 - (2) Nomination papers for elective offices shall be signed by not less than twenty (20) nor more than one hundred (100) electors of the Village.
 - (3) Nomination papers for elective offices shall be circulated not sooner than the 1st day of December preceding the election, and shall be filed with the Village Clerk-Treasurer not later than 5:00 p.m. the first Tuesday in January; or the next day if Tuesday is a holiday.
- (b) **Primary Elections.** Candidates for all elective Village offices shall be nominated by nonpartisan primary election conducted as directed by Ch. 8, Wis. Stats., so far as applicable and specifically in accordance with Sec. 8.05(4)(b), Wis. Stats.

Note: Charter Ordinance.

Sec. 2-1-3 Election Hours; Voter Registration.

The voting polls in the Village of Elk Mound, Dunn County, Wisconsin shall be opened from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for all elections.

Sec. 2-1-4 Election Officials.

- (a) Pursuant to the Wisconsin Statutes, there is hereby established one (1) set of election officials to conduct all elections of the Village which shall consist of seven (7) election inspectors. However, pursuant to Sec. 7.32, Wis. Stats., the Village Clerk-Treasurer is authorized to reduce the number of election officials, provided that no such action may reduce the number of officials at a polling place to less than three (3). The Clerk-Treasurer shall determine in advance of each election whether the number of election officials for such election should be reduced from the number prescribed by the Wisconsin Statutes, and if such a reduction is so determined, the Clerk-Treasurer shall further redistribute duties among the remaining officials. Pursuant to Sec. 7.32, Wis. Stats., the Village Clerk-Treasurer is hereby authorized to reduce the number of election officials for all elections to three (3) officials.
- (b) Because Ch. 7.30(1), Wis. Stats., allows for the creation of alternate or two (2) sets of election officials to work at different times on election day, the Village Board authorizes the selection of alternate and/or two (2) sets of election officials to staff the polls on election day. The Clerk-Treasurer is hereby authorized to schedule election officials in shifts on any said election day. The Village Clerk-Treasurer shall redistribute the duties of such election officials.

State Law Reference: Secs. 7.30 and 7.32, Wis. Stats.

Sec. 2-1-5 Official Newspaper; Legal Posting.

- (a) **Publication.** When publication is used instead of legal posting, the official newspaper of the Village of Elk Mound shall be the *Eau Claire Leader*.
- (b) **Legal Posting.** When legal posting is used instead of publication, the Village shall post notices in the following designated posting locations:
 - (1) U.S. Post Office.
 - (2) Elk Mound Municipal Building (bulletin board inside).
 - (3) Elk Mound Municipal Building (bulletin board outside).
 - (4) Independence State Bank.
 - (5) Bremer Bank.

State Law Reference: Sec. 985.06, Wis. Stats.

Sec. 2-1-6 Voter Registration.

All electors for all elections shall be required to be registered. The Village Clerk-Treasurer shall receive applications for registration at his/her officer during regular office hours throughout the year, except that registration may also be completed at Village polling places on election days upon presentation of proper identification and proof of residency as required by state law.