Town of Oregon

1138 Union Road Oregon, WI 53575

NOTICE TO TOWN OF OREGON RESIDENTS PUBLIC TEST OF ELECTRONIC VOTING EQUIPMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a **PUBLIC TEST** of the automatic tabulating equipment will be held on **February 12th**, **2025 at 10:00 a.m.** at the Oregon Town Hall located at 1138 Union Road. This equipment will be used at the General Election to be held on **Tuesday**, **February 18th**, **2025**. This public test is open to the public and includes a demonstration of the DS200 and Express Vote electronic voting systems.

Badger Books Electronic Poll Books

The Town of Oregon implemented their e-poll books, Badger Books, during the 2023 Spring Primary on February 21, 2023. The Badger Books replace the paper poll books. These electronic poll books are used to check-in voters and produce a voter number (pending printer availability), register voters and process absentee ballots. They are NOT connected to the Internet.

When voters come into the polls, they will give their name and address to the Election Inspector, same as in the past, and show their photo identification. The Election Inspector will look up the voter's name electronically, rather than in the paper poll books. The voter will then sign their name on the electronic screen using a stylus or their finger. After checking-in, the voter will receive a paper ballot to vote and feed into the tabulator, same as previous Elections.

The electronic devices are NOT connected to the Internet or any other outside source. The books are connected to a server through a router within the polling place that allows the books to talk to each other. The security risk factors for the Badger Books are comparable to those using paper poll books. Badger Books do not process votes.

To watch a short video on how to use the Badger Books, click this link https://vimeo.com/675553234. Please be patient at the voting polls while our Election Inspectors work with this new technology.

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