

**NOTICE OF SPRING ELECTION
AND
SAMPLE BALLOTS
April 7, 2026**

OFFICE OF THE TOWN OF THREE LAKES CLERK TO THE ELECTORS OF TOWN OF THREE LAKES:

Notice is hereby given of a Spring Election to be held in the Town of Three Lakes Oneida County on the 7th day of April 2026, at which the nominees for the offices named below shall be chosen. The names of the candidates for each office, whose nominations have been certified to or filed in this office, are given under the title of the office under the appropriate party or other designation, each in its proper column, together with the questions submitted to a vote, for a referendum if any, in the sample ballot below.

INFORMATION TO ELECTORS

Upon entering the polling place, an elector shall state his or her name and address, show an acceptable form of photo identification and sign the poll book before being permitted to vote. If an elector does not have acceptable photo identification, the voter may obtain a free photo ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles. If an elector is not registered to vote, a voter may register to vote at the polling place serving his or her residence if the voter provides proof of residence. Where ballots are distributed to electors, the initials of two inspectors must appear on the ballot. Upon being permitted to vote, the elector shall retire alone to a voting booth and cast his or her ballot except that an elector who is a parent or guardian may be accompanied by the elector's minor child or minor ward. An election official may inform the elector of the proper manner for casting a vote, but the official may not in any manner advise or indicate a particular voting choice.

Where **optical scan** voting is used, the elector shall fill in the oval next to the name of the candidate of his or her choice for each office for whom he or she intends to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the elector shall write in the name of the person of his or her choice in the space provided, for a write in and fill in the oval on the write-in line. On referendum questions, the elector shall fill in the oval next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the elector shall fill in the oval next to "no" if opposed to the question.

When using an electronic ballot marking device (ImageCast Evolution-ICE) to mark an **optical scan** ballot, the elector shall touch the screen at the name of the candidate of his or her choice for each office for which he or she intends to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the elector shall type in the name of the candidate of his or her choice in the space provided for a write-in vote. On referendum questions, the elector shall touch the screen at "yes" if in favor of the question, or the elector shall touch the screen at "no" if opposed to the question.

The vote should not be cast in any other manner. Not more than five minutes' time shall be allowed inside a voting booth. Sample ballots or other materials to assist the voter in marking his or her ballot may be taken into the booth and copied.

If an elector **spoils** a paper or optical scan ballot, he or she shall return it to an election official who shall issue another ballot in its place, but not more than three ballots shall be issued to any one elector. If the ballot has not been initialed by two inspectors or is defective in any other way, the elector shall return it to the election official who shall issue a proper ballot in its place.

After an official **optical scan** ballot is marked, it shall be inserted in the security sleeve, so the marks do not show. The elector shall then insert the ballot in the voting devise and discard the sleeve or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. The elector shall leave the polling place promptly.

The elector may select an individual to assist in casting his or her vote if the elector declares to the presiding official that he or she is unable to read, has difficulty reading, writing or understanding English, or that due to disability is unable to cast his or her ballot. The selected individual rendering assistance may not be the voter's employer or an agent of that employer or an officer or agent of a labor organization which represents the elector.

The following is a sample of the official ballots:



Susan L. Harris, Town Clerk