

April 4, 2023 Consolidated Election Information for Independent Candidates



Open positions for 2023-2027 four (4) year terms in the Village of Island Lake include:

Village Trustee - 3 Trustees

The **2023 Candidate's Guide** and **The 2023 Election and Campaign Finance Calendar** are available from the Illinois State Board of Elections on their website: www.elections.il.gov. Click on the "Running for Office" tab.

Courtesy Candidate Packets* are available at the Village of Island Lake office 3720 Greenleaf Ave., Island Lake, IL 60042.

***Note:** Packets are provided as a courtesy only. *It is the responsibility of the candidates to follow the guidelines of State law. More information is provided by the Illinois State Board of Elections (ISBE):* www.elections.il.gov.

The first day nominating petitions may be circulated is September 20, 2022.

Filing Dates

Petitions: The **first day to file** nominating petitions at the Village of Island Lake, 3720 Greenleaf Ave., Island Lake, IL 60042, is on **Tuesday, December 12, 2022 from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.** The **last day to file** is **Monday, December 19, 2022 from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.***

On Tuesday, December 12 and Monday, December 19, 2022, the Village Hall will be open until 5:00 p.m. for petition filing, but on other business days the Village of Island Lake will be able accept petitions only during regular business hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 pm. Monday – Friday.

Those arriving by 8:00 a.m. on December 12 will be provided with a "simultaneous filer" receipt and will be placed into a lottery to determine ballot placement. Any petitions filed between 4:00 and 5:00 p.m. on December 19, 2022 also will be placed in a lottery to determine ballot placement. The lottery will be held on Friday, December 30, 2022.

Objections: Deadline for filing objects to nominating petitions is **Wednesday, December 28, 2022.** The Village Hall will be closed on Friday, December 23, 2022 and Monday, December 26, 2022.

Copies of petition packets and filing receipts can be requested from the Village Clerk.

The Village Clerk and staff cannot provide a review of nominating papers or legal opinions regarding petition papers. Prospective candidates are strongly encouraged to consult competent legal counsel regarding qualifications to seek office, preparation of petition papers, circulator requirements, signature requirements, etc. After petition papers have been filed, pages cannot be amended or added. A receipt for filing the required Statement of Economic Interests may be added until 5 p.m. on the last day to file.

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Calculating Minimum/Maximum Signature Requirements for Candidate Petitions

The State Board of Elections provides the formula below for calculating required signatures for candidate petitions. Go to their website here for more information: <https://elections.il.gov/>. Refer to the *2023 Candidates Guide*, page 28.

New Party: For the consolidated election, not less than 5% of the total number of persons who voted in the last regular election in the district or political subdivision in which such district or political subdivision voted as a unit for the election of officers to serve its respective territorial area. (10 ILCS 5/10-2)

For the first election following redistricting of municipal wards or districts, or for the first election following the initial establishment of such districts or wards in a municipality, a petition to form a new political party in a municipal ward or district shall be signed by qualified voters of the district or ward equal to not less than 5% of the total number of votes cast at the preceding municipal election, as the case may be, for the municipal office voted on throughout the municipality for which the greatest total number of votes were cast for all candidates, divided by the number of districts or wards, but in any event not less than 25 qualified voters of the district or ward. In the case of a petition to form a new political party within a political subdivision in which officers are to be elected from districts and at-large, such petition shall consist of separate components for each district from which an officer is to be elected. (10 ILCS 5/10-2)

Independent: For the consolidated election, not less than 5% nor more than 8% (or 50 more than the minimum, whichever is greater) of the number of persons who voted at the last regular election in the district or political subdivision in which such district or political subdivision voted as a unit for the election of officers to serve its respective territorial area. (10 ILCS 5/10-3)

Example: If 1,000 voters cast ballots at the last regular election in the district or political subdivision, the formula of 5% - 8% would result in a signature requirement of 50 – 80. Illinois statutes (10 ILCS 5/10-3) require a difference of 50 between the minimum and maximum. Therefore, the signature requirement would be 50 – 100.

The **April 22, 2021 election Canvass of the Vote totals** for Lake and McHenry Counties are provided with the packets.

The Village has calculated the following signature requirements: Minimum signature requirements: 23. Maximum signature requirements: 73, *based on data provided courtesy of the Lake and McHenry County Clerks.* However, these calculations *should not be construed as legal advice.* Candidates should calculate minimum/maximum signatures independently according to the Illinois State Board of Elections formula and consult with legal counsel.

Find official information about elections results online from the McHenry and Lake County Clerks:
McHenry County: <https://www.mchenrycountyil.gov/county-government/departments-a-i/county-clerk/elections>
Lake County: <https://www.lakecountyil.gov/163/Elections>

Information contained in this announcement and in the packets is not intended to be legal advice; it is provided as a courtesy public service without responsibility for its content, including information about maximum and minimum signatures. The Village cannot provide any legal advice about the election process or requirements. All candidates are advised to obtain competent legal counsel and to follow the guidelines of the Illinois State board of Elections (ISBE): www.elections.il.gov.