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*"The Bluegill Capitol of Wisconsin"*

## Dear Village Residents

I hope this letter finds you well. As a resident of our small but vibrant community, you are undoubtedly aware of the unique sense of community that defines us. With only 402 of us, every voice holds weight, and every contribution shapes our future. That's why I'm reaching out to encourage you to consider running for an elected position in our community's government.

Serving as an elected official in a small community is one of the most direct ways to impact daily life and make decisions that reflect our shared values and needs. Whether it's enhancing local services, supporting families and small businesses, or preserving our Villages character, your leadership could make a real difference.

Perhaps you've thought about the changes you'd like to see or how you could contribute to our community's future. By stepping into an official role, you can bring those ideas to life and inspire others to work together for our collective benefit.

## Why Run for Office?

- **You know our community:** With your firsthand experience, you understand our community's strengths and challenges.
- **Your voice matters:** In a community our size, elected officials play an active and personal role in every decision, truly making each one count.
- **Be a force for change:** Whether it's improving our parks, ensuring efficient services, or making our community a safe, inclusive place, your involvement can help shape these outcomes.

The upcoming elections present a wonderful opportunity for individuals like you to bring fresh ideas, energy, and commitment to our local government. I encourage you to consider this chance to represent your neighbors and help guide our village into a future that reflects the values we all cherish.

If you have any questions about running for office, the process, or the responsibilities involved, please don't hesitate to reach out. We would be happy to discuss how you can serve and support our village through this meaningful role. Nominations for the spring 2025 election will be at our January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Board of Trustees meeting, I hope to see you there.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to make a lasting difference in our community.

Warm regards,

Rocky VanGilder  
Village President, Birchwood, WI.

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