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The Prairie County Courthouse is taking every precaution to protect the public and the staff from Covid-19. Because of the increased number of active cases in Prairie County we are asking the public to please follow the suggestions of the Governor's mandate and the Public Health Department. During regular business hours the front door of the courthouse will be unlocked. Once inside the courthouse, please follow the posted instructions and knock on the interior door for assistance. Ballots became available October 2nd and will still be available through October 9th with in-person verification. On October 9th, they will be mailed to all Active Voters. The Courthouse is set up for in-person voting by providing access to designated areas with polling booths and use of our ExpressVote machine.

**The courthouse will be closed on Monday, October 12th in observance of Columbus Day; therefore, no services will be available on this date. **

All about the ExpressVote

Have you heard the terminology ExpressVote? Are you wondering what it is? ExpressVote is a voting system marker that has a touchscreen display, audio-tactile keypad, and headphones to allow voters of all types and ages to vote independently. To mark your ballot, you can either use the touch screen or the audio-tactile keypad to mark your vote selections (you can even write-in a name!) Once you have finished marking your ballot, the machine reviews your selections and gives you the opportunity to make changes before printing. Upon verification, you accept and then the ballot is completed and printed. The ExpressVote is available to serve every eligible voter, including those with special needs. Those who have used the ExpressVote, commented on how easy and efficient it is.

For in-person voting and for use of the ExpressVote, we ask that you please bring your ballot with you. If you have not received a ballot by October 19th or you need to replace your ballot for any other reason, please contact the Election Administration's Office.

To view past Election Connection articles, please go to www.prairiecounty.org/election and click on the link to the different volumes. There is a myriad of information and resources available to you. Also, we will be updating information on Facebook groups: Happenings of Prairie County and Voices of Prairie County.

As always, if you have any questions, please contact our office. We are more than happy to answer any questions you may have.

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