

## **County Board Chair Degler Election Day Talking Points about the 2024 Election that he shared at the 11/5/24 County Board Meeting**

I encourage anyone who has not yet voted to go to your precinct and vote. The polls will be open until 8:00 p.m. so you must be in line to vote at your precinct by 8:00 p.m.

In-person absentee voting at the Carver County Government Center ended last night at 5:00 p.m. If you want to vote today, you must vote at your precinct.

A new MN State law has extended the deadline for an absentee ballot to be dropped off at the Carver County Government Center to 8:00 p.m. tonight. If you have an absentee ballot, don't take it to the Post Office because it will be delivered to the County after the 8:00 p.m. deadline and thus, won't be counted.

The new 8:00 p.m. deadline for absentee ballots to be dropped off at the Carver County Government Center is expected to delay the County's first posting of election results on the Mn Secretary of State's website until at least 10:30 p.m.

You may have heard about the lawsuit over Hennepin County not having any Election Judges from the major party lists on their 2024 Absentee Ballot Board. Carver County's 2024 Absentee Ballot Board has had and will continue to have party balance when required by law and has had and will continue to have party-balanced Election Judges from the major party lists:

1. Performing ballot duplications (50 thru 10/27/24) and signature verifications (23 thru 10/27/24), and
2. Working on the 2024 Absentee Ballot Board when absentee envelopes are opened, and absentee ballots are processed and inserted in the high-speed tabulator.

At the last Carver County Board meeting on 10/22/24, several Carver County residents expressed their concerns about Carver County compliance with election laws and last week concerns were raised about sample ballots on the Mn Secretary of State's website. Our Carver County elections staff has listened to numerous concerns raised by the public throughout this election cycle and has and will continue to work closely with the County Attorney's Office to ensure Carver County is following all election laws.

If you have any questions and/or concerns about Carver County following election laws, please email David Frischmon, our Property and Finance Director who oversees the Elections and Licensing Department, at [dfrischmon@carvercountymn.gov](mailto:dfrischmon@carvercountymn.gov) or call his office number 952-361-1506.