



What is the Observer Corps?

The Observer Corps is a structured way for citizens to become involved in their community by attending and reporting on local government meetings. League members who volunteer to attend meetings will complete an Observer Corps reporting sheet to be shared with the league and, if newsworthy, with the community, helping to ensure that the public is aware of the decisions that impact them.

Who Can Be an Observer?

Any current League member is invited to become an Observer. **Non-members already attending government meetings** are invited to join the League and the Observer Corps! For more information, send an email to lwvmpmi@gmail.com.

What is the job of an Observer Corp Member?

An Observer Corps member supports the community in a variety of ways some examples of which are:

- promoting open, transparent, and accountable government
- educating the public about issues impacting their communities and their lives

As an Observer member, you:

- serve as an ambassador to the local league
- receive or access meeting agendas and related materials prior to the meetings
- complete and submit an Observer's Report Form report for each meeting attended

Why should I join?

Consider joining the League of Women Voter Mt Pleasant Area Observer Corp if you are:

- interested in local government and/or the issues being discussed
- are able to report in an objective, non-partisan manner while serving as an Observer
- able to summarize proceedings in a non-biased manner
- a good listener, discreet and courteous

What Meetings are Leagues Observing?

A recent survey of Leagues with observer programs showed that League observers are attending and monitoring a wide range of offices and agencies (with both elected and appointed officials):

- Airport authority/Aviation board
- Board of Elections
- City/Town Council
- County Commission
- Department of Human Services
- Health Department
- Historic preservation
- Hospital board
- Human relations committee
- Library board
- Park district board
- School Board
- Solid waste/Sanitary board
- Township boards
- Visitors and convention commission
- Water district/board
- Zoning/Planning board



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