



TOWN of TROY

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<http://www.townoftroy.org>

Town Hall Office Hours: Monday through Thursday, 9 AM to 12:30 PM

Recycle Center Hours: Tuesdays & Thursdays – 1:00 PM to 6:30 PM & Saturdays – 8:00 AM to 12:30 PM

Spring Election

Tuesday, April 2nd, 2019 is Election Day! All residents of the Town of Troy vote at the Troy Town Hall (Troy Government Center) located at 654 Glover Road. Polls will be open from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

Candidates for Town Board are:

Chairperson:

Dan Pearson (unopposed)

Supervisor #1:

Suzanne Van Mele (incumbent)

Jason Kjos (challenger)

Supervisor #3:

Jan Cuccia (unopposed)

Election information can be found at <https://myvote.wi.gov/> which provides complete voter information including online registration form, sample ballots, where to vote, and much more for all voter types (regular, overseas, and military voters).

In addition to the Troy Town Board election, there are three judicial elections. More information can be found on St. Croix County's website by searching 2019 Spring Election.

Troy Annual Meeting

Tuesday, April 16th – 7:00 PM

Troy's Annual Meeting will be held at the Town Hall, 654 Glover Road, at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, April 16th. Town officials will make short presentations about the town budget, our 2019 road construction projects, our town parks, and other related town activities.

Coffee, juice and cookies will be provided. Please make an effort to attend, share your thoughts and hear what others are thinking.

The United Fund - Town of Troy, Inc. Annual Meeting - Tuesday, April 16th 6:30 PM at the Troy Town Hall

The United Fund - Town of Troy, Inc. is a non-profit organization managed by volunteers from the town that facilitates a yearly campaign to raise and distribute money for local human service charities. You are invited to attend the annual meeting. For more information call Phyllis Albert at 651-303-8640 or Gene Tschumperlin at 715-386-3983.

Good News! In January, the town board eliminated the fee for Troy residents to reserve the Glover Park pavilion. The damage deposit still applies.

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**VOTING BY ABSENTEE BALLOT
SPRING ELECTION
April 2, 2019**

Any qualified elector who is unable or unwilling to appear at the polling place on Election Day may request to vote an absentee ballot. A qualified elector is any U.S. citizen, who will be 18 years of age or older on Election Day, who has resided in the ward or municipality where he or she wishes to vote for at least 10 consecutive days before the election. The elector must also be registered in order to receive an absentee ballot.

**TO OBTAIN AN ABSENTEE BALLOT, YOU
MUST MAKE A REQUEST IN WRITING.**

Contact our municipal clerk, Gail Anderson, and request that an application for an absentee ballot be sent to you for the election. You may also request an absentee ballot by letter. Your written request must list your voting address within the Town of Troy, the address where the absentee ballot should be sent, if different, and your signature.

Included with your request for an absentee ballot, you must include a copy of an acceptable form of Photo ID.

Special absentee voting application provisions apply to electors who are indefinitely confined to home or a care facility, in the military, hospitalized, or serving as a sequestered juror. If this applies to you, contact our municipal clerk, Gail Anderson.

You can also personally go to the clerk's office at 654 Glover Road, Hudson, during the absentee voting hours, complete a written application, provide Photo ID, and vote an absentee ballot during the hours specified for casting an absentee ballot.

Please go to the town website (www.townoftroy.org), click on the "Election" tab on the left-hand side for more information, or call the office at 715-425-2665.

2019 Road Updates

Roads Update:

In 2019, the town road crew will continue to do maintenance and repairs on several miles of roads in the Town. In addition, the 3rd and final phase of the Glenmont Road improvements will be completed by a mill and overlay of the road from Beach Road to the end of Glenmont Road.

**Troy Hosts Counties
Tire, Appliance and Electronics
Collection**

Troy is proud to once again host in 2019, one of *St. Croix County's Tire and Appliance Collections*. Troy is hosting on **Saturday, September 14th**. The collection will take place from **8:00 AM until 1:00 PM** and be held at the town's Recycling Center located at 227 Townsvalley Road. For more information on the event contact the Recycling Specialist for St. Croix Country.

Listening Session Scheduled

A listening session/briefing for the residents of the Town of Troy on County Board activities has been scheduled by Bob Feidler, County Supervisor District 9. The listening session will be held at Troy Town Hall, 654 Glover Road, Hudson on **April 17th** from **6:30 – 7:30 PM**.

Absentee Voting Hours

Starting March 12th
(or as soon as ballots are available)

Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM

ADDITIONAL HOURS:

March 28th, and March 29th
3:00 - 5:00 PM

Road Update continued:

The town is also looking at future improvements for Bjerstedt Lane. At this time, we are analyzing soil borings taken and working with our engineering firm, Cedar Corporation on improvement options.

If anyone has a road issue or concern that they would like the Town to consider, please feel free to contact the Town Shop at 715-425-6694.

Troy's Farmland Preservation-

Troy has a history of protecting its farmland.

Several years ago, Troy established its own Zoning Code to have more control over development in the town. In the process we were not able to comply with State and County Farmland Preservation rules and farmers lost eligibility to claim certain state tax credits. Last year, in communicating with the State of Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP), who runs the Farmland Preservation program, we learned the rules had changed which would allow our town to establish its own ordinance for its farmers to participate in. A committee was formed and they worked with staff, state, and county employees to help Troy put its program in place. There are two separate programs that owners of farmland may be able to participate in to qualify for tax credits.

Our updated zoning code now allows most owners of farmland zoned Exclusive Agriculture to qualify for state tax credits if they are a Wisconsin resident, the land produced at least \$6,000 in gross farm revenue in the previous year (or \$18,000 in last 3 years), and they comply with soil and water conservation standards (Nutrient Management Plan). St Croix County Land Conservation Department issues the certificate- but farms need to qualify the spring previous to the year you receive the tax credits. Another avenue for state tax credits is the Agriculture Enterprise Area (AEA) – this includes a large part of the township's Exclusive Agriculture District that is contiguous and the landowner would need to sign up with the state for 15 years to keep it in Exclusive Agriculture Zoning in order to qualify.

The town plans to have information sheets and maps available at the town hall.

Residents Asked to Participate in Outdoor Recreation Planning

All Troy residents and property owners will be contacted in late spring, by mail, with directions to visit a link on the town's website. This link will provide the town's current park and recreational information, and ask for feedback to consider future improvements, amendments or additions to the town's outdoor recreational facilities. The Park Board is working with Cedar Corporation for planning assistance to complete and update our current 5-year Outdoor Recreation Plan.

Parks and Recreation

Cove Boat Ramp

Located at 306A Cove Road.

Hours of Operation: 6:00 AM to 9:30 PM daily.

Permit Fees: Residents of Troy, \$6.00 Daily Fee; \$50.00 Annual Fee.

Non Town of Troy residents: \$8.00 Daily Fee; \$80.00 Annual Fee.

Annual stickers for use of Cove Boat Ramp can be purchased at the Troy Town Hall and the Town Recycling Center during regular business hours or by mail. Permits are required year-round.

Glover Park

Located at 428 Glover Road.

Hours of Operation: 8:00 AM to 1/2 hour after sunset daily.

Drinking water, restrooms, electricity at the pavilion, 2 regulation-sized ball fields, approx. 2.5 mile trail system with benches and interpretive signage, large playground with accessible play activities, volleyball court, picnic tables, native and other flower gardens, restored prairie remnant, established coniferous and deciduous forest, and "pet stations" for dog waste pick-up.

Pemble's Access

Located at 193 Glenmont Road. Parking is limited. No daily fee.

Hours of Operation: Memorial Day through Labor Day, Pemble's Access is open daily from 10 AM to 1/2 hour after sunset. Before Memorial Day in May, and after Labor Day in September, Pemble's Access is open Saturdays and Sundays, from 11 AM to 1/2 hour after sunset. Facilities include a portable restroom.

Winter Use of Boat Ramp

Access to the river by foot, UTV, ATV, and snowmobile permitted ONLY across the boat ramp; use for ice fishing access if permit fee is paid and vehicle properly marked. No vehicles are allowed to cross the boat ramp or surrounding area on to the river. Parking is limited to designated parking stalls, cleared of snow, next to the "Boat Ramp Sign."

Please contact Jill Berke, Chair of the Park Board at jillberke@baldwin-telecom.net or 715-425-8289, or any Park Board member with questions about parks and recreation in the Town.

Fire Safety Tips

The DNR recommends if you live in an area where there are sandy soils, oaks and pines like much of Troy is, to remove dry matter accumulated over winter, from your yard that could help spread a fire. Consider removing trees where necessary to keep at least 15 feet between the branches from tree to tree within 30 ft. of a building. Prune branches up and away from the ground.

We all know that the environment usually begins to get dry at the end of June. About that time, we are celebrating the 4th of July with fireworks. Exploding fireworks cause the most fires. But even sparklers and fountains pose a significant threat in grassy areas. Please be mindful of fire danger to neighboring property as well as your own and follow fireworks laws.

The City of Hudson will begin construction of a new state of the art fire station this summer, very good news for residents in the northern part of Troy served by the Hudson Fire Department. The new station location on Ward Ave on top of the hill is only a block off I94 putting fire services much closer to Troy which will reduce run time to a fire. Approximate move in date to the new facility is February 2020.

*This is the official publication of the Town of Troy.
Your elected Town Officials are:*

Town Board:

- Dan Pearson (Chair) – 715-425-9488
- Jan Cuccia – 715-425-1457
- Suzanne Van Mele – 715-781-6180
- Lowell Enerson – 507-276-4521
- Cliff Jennings – 715-222-5769

Town Welcomes New Clerk

The town has hired Gail Anderson as the new Clerk/Treasurer for Town of Troy replacing Jennifer Clark as of January 14th. Gail retired from UW-River Falls this past summer after 18 years in government business administration, and along with 3 years office management for a small construction company, and 15 years of customer service experience with 3M, Gail brings a wide knowledge base with her. Gail resides in Town of Troy with her husband Dan Anderson.

Grants Awarded for Glover Park

The town is pleased to announce that we have been awarded two grants from the Wisconsin DNR for improvements to Glover Park. One grant in the amount of \$45,654 will go toward the upgrade of Eagle Trail and Eagle Pass Trail. Project elements include engineering, maintenance, landscaping, seeding, signs and labor.

The other grant in the amount of \$144,145 will go toward the building of a **new multi-purpose building**. This project consists of a 24’x60’ restroom, community kitchen and pavilion. It will be built so that it can also serve as a storm shelter.

Kudos to the Park Board for their work on these two projects and for securing funding! In addition to the funding from the two DNR grants, they have secured a \$100,000 Andersen Foundation Grant and another \$4,050 from other donations including Citizens State Bank, Wisconsin Credit Union, St. Croix Electric, 1st American Bank and Royal Credit Union.

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