

East Troy Municipal Airport

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East Troy, WI 53120
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Airport Manager

Doug Gauger
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Airport Advisory Committee

2nd Monday at 6:00 pm at
the FBO Building

Members:

Jim Holm, Village Trustee/
Chairperson

John "JD" Schreib

Mike Starck

Kim Weckerly

Mike Zei

Important Numbers

Village Hall	642-6255
Building Insp.	642-6260
Police Dept. (non-emergency)	642-6250
Public Works	642-6255

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Our First Edition!



Welcome our first East Troy Municipal Airport Annual Newsletter! Take a moment to review the information here and on your left is contact information for the Airport Manager, Airport Advisory Committee and other important contact numbers for you to have handy.

Airport Office Updates!

To better serve you at our airport office we have changed the furniture to provide a pleasant gathering place and will be offering a beverage vending machine for cold drinks. Coffee will be offered on an "Honor System" and we plan to continue making your airport a warm, clean and welcoming location!

FUEL UPDATE

The fuel farm is open for business and both 100LL and Jet A fuel is available. The Swift fuel (moGas) is no longer available to purchase due to low sales. We are also now a TITAN FUELS BRANDED location! This will provide you with a consistent fuel supplier with consistent quality. Signage will be added soon to identify us as a Titan Fuel location.



Meet Doug Gauger, Airport Manager

Meet the new Airport Manager, Doug Gauger. Doug is a Village employee and has worked for the Village for 26 years in our Department of Public Works. He is working hard to spruce up the Airport Manager's office, monitor the fuel farm and meet pilots and owners. He has been completing several certifications and training related to the fueling operation and is looking forward to this new opportunity. Once the dust settles his "office" hours will be Monday to Friday, 7:30 am to 3 pm – although this "office" may be mobile - on the mower or the snowplow!

New Lease Option

The rumors are true! A committee of Airport Advisory Committee members, Village staff and hangar owners have been working diligently for over a year to review the current hangar lease and update it to offer both hangar owners and the Village with improved language and guidance for consistency and to address several points that needed clarification. This will also require changes to the Village ordinance relating to the airport. It has been a long and involved process, but the end is in sight! The new lease is included with your 2023-2024 Land Lease invoice for your review and consideration. If you choose to convert your lease please contact Lorri, 262-684-5478, lalexander@eastroywi.gov, for a lease document for your specific hangar.

Recent Changes in Personal Property Law Will NOT End Taxing for Hangars

Recently announced changes for Personal Property Taxes in 2024 will NOT end taxes for hangars but change how hangars are classified. This is because hangars are taxed as **Improvements on Leased Land** and will most likely be moved to a classification of Real Estate in 2024. Hangar owners will continue to receive tax bills in December for hangars. This payment may be paid in full by January 31 or split into two payments, the 1st installment due by January 31 and the 2nd installment due by July 31. All payment should be made to the Village of East Troy, although that may change in 2024. We expect to learn more about this in the coming months as the State begins implementation of these new rules.

Hangar Maintenance

Lease holders are responsible for the maintenance of their hangar and the area surrounding the hangar. While this maintains a neat and clean appearance for our airport it is also a safety issue. Your lease and airport covenant documents express this maintenance point as well as stating that there is no outside storage allowed at the airport.

Should violations not be corrected, the Village of East Troy works with Code Enforcement to notify lease holders, via letter, of the corrective measures needed and any possible penalties.



What's in Your Hangar?

Just a reminder that hangars are for aeronautical purposes.

Our airport is partially funded through Federal

Grant Assurances and that requires the airport maintain its use as a general aviation airport. Hangars on the field are to be used primarily for aircraft and aviation related materials. We have been fielding several concerns regarding the non-aviation use of hangars. Should hangars be found to not be used primarily for aircraft and aviation related materials it is a violation of the hangar lease and could greatly impact our federal grant assurances in a very negative way! It's important to monitor any non-aviation related use of your hangar and be cognizant of how your stewardship could impact our airport and the funding to continue to support the airport. Again, these are regulations that are imposed on our airport from the FAA.



Updated Airport Ordinance

The village ordinance regarding the Airport is under review and the draft proposed ordinance is expected to be reviewed by the Village Board later in 2023.

Exciting New Payment Option!

We now offer the ability to pay your invoices on line!

By Credit, Debit Card or E-Check (ACH) (FEES APPLY - \$1.00 for E-Check) through our [NEW ONLINE PAYMENT PORTAL!](#) You can choose to GO PAPERLESS as well! Create an account on our new online payment portal using your customer number, invoice number and invoice amount. More information and directions can be found on our website on the “PAYMENTS**” page—see the *Accounts Receivable* section.**

Other options are: **In Person:** Monday – Friday, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm; **After Office Hours:** Drop boxes (collected daily) are located at the entrance of East Troy Municipal Building and a drive-up box in the parking lot. **No cash please; By Mail:** Village of East Troy, 2015 Energy Dr., East Troy, WI 53120.

Noxious Weed / Grass Maintenance Notice

Notice is hereby given to each person who owns or occupies land in the Village of East Troy to MOW OR DESTROY ALL WEEDS, GRASSES OR OTHER NOXIOUS VEGETATION exceeding 8” in height on such property in such manner as shall effectually prevent them from maturing to the bloom or flower stage, bearing seed or spreading to adjoining property as required by [SS 66.0407\(1\)](#).

NOXIOUS WEEDS INCLUDE: Canada Thistle, Musk Thistle, Leafy Spurge, Field Bindweed (Creeping Jenny), Ragweed, Burdock, Marijuana or Wild Hemp, Goats Beard, Quack or Quitch Grass, Wild Mustard.

The charge for the Village of East Troy to control the weeds is \$150.00 minimum per site.



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