

Town of Plover

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MEETINGS: first and third week of each month
715-344-7684

UPDATES

CHAIRMAN KARCHESKI

A FARMING COMMUNITY - The Town of Plover is unique and diverse - with a strong interest in agriculture, and yes, we share our roadways with heavy farm equipment carrying thousands upon thousands of pounds of valuable foods! With that said - our town roads do take a beating from farm equipment; however, due to the great relationship the town has developed over the years, many of our local farms help rebuild these gravel roads by either providing road material or in the use of their equipment. Mowing ditches and maintaining brush around their properties saves town residents thousands of dollars in maintenance of road-right-of -ways and in reduced use of town labor.

A special thanks to -
WELLER FARMS for providing red granite on Marsh road, Hoover South and mowing of ditches on the roads around their farm;
WORZELLA AND SONS POTATOES for providing material to improve drainage on Buena Vista Drive, mowing ditches around their property and the use of their equipment when needed;
HAMERSKI FARMS for maintaining all the mowing of ditches around their fields as well as use of their equipment and employees when called upon, and for providing road materials;

FELTZ FARMS for bringing tourism into the township and helping when called upon; and **SUNNY GROVE FARMS** for material donations and use of equipment when asked.

The “unsung” efforts these farms put forth without being asked and the relationship they and the town have developed over the years is very valuable and helps each one of us in this township.

TOURISM COMMISSION

Committed to Developing Tourism!

Billboard on I39

Tourism Guide - map of ATV/UTV routes, snowmobile trails and points of interest

Distributed from Lac du Flambeau to Oxford

Stop at the town office to pick up a map!

UNDERSTAND OUR TAX BILLS

COMPARE MILL RATES: You will find the 2018 mill rate for the Town of Plover *decreased by 10.61%* when compared to 2017.

REFERENDA:

County - Voters agreed to exceed the 1.806% mill rate - by 5.224% - to provide a levy of \$28,201,817 - *which included continuing the 5.224% mill rate increase until the year 2023.*

Stevens Point Schools: Voters agreed to exceed the revenue limit by \$3,500,000 beginning in 2018-19 to *cover recurring costs;* AND to also issue general obligation bonds not to exceed \$75,900,000 for a district wide *school improvement program.*

REAL ESTATE: It’s been 10 years since the last assessment to revalue our township. Our economy has changed since 2007-08, and our efforts to remodel and landscape have made our properties more attractive = *increased value.*

Each year “Open Book” gives property owners the opportunity to compare properties and talk with the assessor - he is able to reconsider some aspects of the assessment at that time.

WishCycling: *The tossing of*

questionable items in the recycling bin, hoping they can somehow be recycled.

Common WishCycling items include: needles or other medical sharps, foil yogurt lids, candy wrappers, plastic utensils, diapers, drinkware, ceramics, plastic bags, aerosol cans, mirrors, dishes, cartons, pots, pans, broken toys, hangers, and motor oil containers.

Our recycling is processed at the Recycling Center in Plover. Steel cans are separated by a magnet, aluminum cans by an eddy current (rare earth magnets that repel aluminum cans), and everything else is separated by workers pulling items off the line. Bagged items are generally do not get recycled, so don't use plastic bags. Recyclables should always be loose in your recycling cart. Weeding through non-recyclable items or ripping open bags is time consuming, reduces efficiency therefore increases costs, and is potentially dangerous. It is important to learn what's recyclable in our community and only recycle those items. When in doubt, give Portage County Solid Waste a call, visit our website, or throw it out. Follow us on Facebook for up-to-date information:

[facebook.com/PortageCountyRecycles](https://www.facebook.com/PortageCountyRecycles).

Please recycle plastic bottles, jugs, shampoo and water bottles, laundry detergent and milk jugs, sour cream and yogurt containers, steel and aluminum cans; glass bottles and jars, magazines, newspapers and any inserts, envelopes with or without windows, construction paper, paperback books, and paper bags; cardboard - packing and shipping, cookie, cracker, cereal, soda, beer boxes and egg cartons.

Portage County Solid Waste Director
Amanda Haffele - 715-343-6297

TOWN DUMPSTER CHANGES

For many years, the Town of Plover has maintained a centralized dumpster for use by town residents for disposal of items that are not eligible for curbside pickup. Over the last several years, there has been a steady increase in the volume of waste being disposed including items that are not allowed. This has had an adverse impact on the town budget.

The dumpster has been available on a 24/7 basis with an honor system regarding residency. Security cameras are in place at the dumpster site which has led to the discovery that the service we provide is being abused, not by our town residents but by non-residents. When identified, we have forwarded information to the Sheriff's Department for prosecution of these individuals. Unfortunately, we are not able to identify many of the abusers.

Therefore, the Town Board has been faced with the choice of either eliminating this service or managing it differently to rein in the costs.

After much discussion, the Board has chosen to maintain a dumpster AND implement restrictions. The approved 2019 budget includes dollars to erect a fence with locked gates around the dumpster as well as an enhanced security camera system and improved signage. This means access will be restricted.

These changes are expected to be complete in the second half of 2019. Effective dates and new dumpster access policies will be communicated via the Town of Plover website at

<https://www.townofplover.com>.

**LET'S PREPARE TO ELECT
OUR LOCAL OFFICIALS**

The April 2nd Election will give you an opportunity to select representation for the coming year. The two-year term offices that are up for election are the Chairman, the Clerk/Treasurer and two Town Supervisors.

Running for Town Chairman:
Timothy Karcheski
5587 Barbara's Lane, Plover 715-630-5493

Running for Clerk/Treasurer:
Melinda Osterberg 715-252-9459
5594 Cabernet Court, Stevens Point

Running for Town Supervisor:
James Garbe 715-341-1984
970 Forest Lake Drive, Plover

Running for Town Supervisor
William Honaker 715-570-0649
5596 Roosevelt Drive, Stevens Point

Running for Town Supervisor:
Joan Scheider 715-204-1134
5915 Birch Drive, Plover

**2019 DOG LICENSES ARE
AVAILABLE**

	<u>Portage Co. + Town</u>	
If intact	\$20	+ \$2
If neutered or spayed	\$10	+ \$2
If multiple dogs - up to 12	\$75	+ \$2
		per dog

Proof of current rabies shot and a check written to the Town of Plover - that is all you need. Mail it in if you prefer.

**LICENSE YOUR DOG BY
MARCH 31 - SAVE \$5 PER DOG!**

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**CURRENT TOWN OF PLOVER
DIRECTORY**

TOWN BOARD:

CHAIRPERSON
TIMOTHY J. KARCHESKI 715-630-5493

SUPERVISORS
JOSEPH F. FIRKUS, JR. 715-341-1041
JIM GARBE 715-341-1984
BILL HONAKER 715-570-0649
DENNIS O'BRIEN 715-345-1238

CLERK/TREASURER
JOAN SCHEIDER Home: 715-204-1134
Town Office: 715-344-7684

ASSESSOR
CLAUDE RIGLEMON 608-343-4195

BUILDING INSPECTOR
MICHAEL BEMBENEK 715-570-8378

TOURISM COMMISSION:

REPRESENTATIVES FROM -
BEST WESTERN HOTEL
SUPER 8
KWIK TRIP
TOWN BOARD CHAIRMAN
TOWN OF PLOVER RESIDENT

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
REVIEW COMMITTEE**

Tim Karcheski, Chair 715-630-5493
Joan Scheider, Sec'y 715-344-7684
Jim Garbe 715-341-1984
Dick Pingel 715-341-5784

**TO ALL 1,721 RESIDENTS -
GOOD HEALTH
AND
A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!**

**WASTEWATER TREATMENT AND
DROP OFF SITE – AVAILABLE
FOR TOWN OF PLOVER - YARD
MATERIAL & BRUSH**

The schedule (excluding holidays):

Mondays Noon to 6:00 PM
Thursdays Noon to 6:00 PM
Saturdays 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
(Days and times are subject to change)

2019 SCHEDULE

Thursday, April 4 thru Saturday, October 26
The first Saturday in November
Saturday, November 2nd

**BRUSH AND BRANCHES WILL BE
ACCEPTED DURING THE SAME
DAYS AND HOURS AS YARD
MATERIALS
STUMPS, TREE TRUNKS, LOGS OF
ANY SIZE, SOD, DIRT, TIMBERS,
ROCKS, CONCRETE, BOARDS OR
FOREIGN MATERIALS WILL NOT BE
ACCEPTED
VIOLATORS WILL BE FINED**

Town of Plover residents are allowed to drop off ONE load of brush, no larger than 10' long X 6' wide X, 4' high per household per date (see above). Residents who drop off brush in excess of the allowed limit will be charged a **minimum \$25 tipping fee per load**, payable at the time of drop off.

Village of Plover personnel will be in attendance at **4496 Coolidge Avenue** to assist residents, check proof of residence and to ensure that rules and regulations are adhered to.

RESIDENTIAL PROOF MANDATORY!
NO CONTRACTORS OR
COMMERCIAL HAULERS!

2019 CURB-SIDE GARBAGE PICKUP
EVERY THURSDAY EXCEPT IF
FOLLOWING A HOLIDAY
RECYCLING PICKUP DATES
SET OUT BY 5 AM

JANUARY 4 (FRIDAY)
JANUARY 17
JANUARY 31

FEBRUARY 14
FEBRUARY 28

MARCH 14
MARCH 28

APRIL 11
APRIL 25

MAY 9
MAY 23

JUNE 6
JUNE 20

JULY 5 (FRIDAY)
JULY 18

AUGUST 1
AUGUST 15
AUGUST 29

SEPTEMBER 12
SEPTEMBER 26

OCTOBER 10
OCTOBER 24

NOVEMBER 7
NOVEMBER 21

DECEMBER 5
DECEMBER 19

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**RESIDENTIAL DUMPSTERS ARE
AVAILABLE FOR RENT OR PURCHASE
CONTACT ADVANCED DISPOSAL
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
1-715-997-3133**