

# Troutman

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## The Whistle Stop Monthly Newsletter

April 2025

### Council Briefs

- Approved Amended Employment Contract of the Town Manager
- Recognition of Lou Borek as the Town of Troutman "Employee of the Month" for the Month of February 2025
- Tabled a Request from Barium Seasons HOA to approve 4 Stop Signs
- Approved Annexation Request AX-25-01(Contiguous), Applicant: Sterling Properties of Mooresville LLC; 49.62 acres; PIN 4741014288; Autumn Leaf Road
- Annexation Request AX-25-02 (Non-Contiguous) Applicant: John Lambert; 0.3902 acres; PIN 4730591086; Located at 142 Scotch Irish Lane
- Appointed Jaclyn Crouch to the Planning and Zoning Board as an Inside Alternate Member



### Town Council

Mayor:

Teross W. Young Jr.

Council Members:

Jerry R. Oxsher

Felina L. Harris

Nicholas D. Jaroszynski

Edward R. Nau

W. Paul Henkel

### Troutman Planning Department: Use-Table

In Troutman, understanding what you can do with your property starts with checking the use-table in the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO). This table outlines which land uses are allowed in different zoning districts using specific codes. A "P" (Permitted) means the use is allowed by right in that district. If a cell is blank, that use is not permitted. A "PS" (Permitted with Standards) means additional performance standards must be met, which are listed after the table. Some uses require extra review—"CZ" (Conditional Zoning) means the use may be allowed but requires approval through a rezoning process, while "SUP" (Special Use Permit) requires a case-by-case review and approval by the Board of Adjustment. Checking the use-table helps property owners plan projects while ensuring they follow town regulations.

RESIDENTIAL USES	RP	RS	RT	RM	RMH	MU	OI	NC	CB	HB	LI	HI
Single-family, attached				P		PS		CZ	CZ			
Single-family, detached	P	P	P	P	P	PS	P	P				
Two-family, attached (duplex)				P		PS						

Troutman is governed by a Mayor and a five member Town Council. All elected positions are non-partisan. The Town Council has regularly scheduled meetings on the second Thursday of each month at Town Hall @ 7pm. All meetings are open to the public.

### Employee

### Recognitions

Lou Borek, Human Resources Director, was recognized as Troutman's Employee of the Month at the March Town Council meeting. We appreciate his dedication to recruitment and guidance for all Troutman employees.

### Troutman Police Department: Safety Message

As our community continues to grow and traffic increases, we would like to remind all residents not to block intersections while waiting in traffic. Not only is this a violation of North Carolina law, but it can increase traffic congestion by not allowing other vehicles to travel when they have a green light and prevent emergency vehicles from responding quickly to incidents.



# Troutman Parks & Recreation: Upcoming Events

## Run/Walk Club

Presented by Troutman Parks & Recreation + Troutman Ruritan Club  
Sundays at 4pm & Thursdays @ 6pm,  
Please meet at the communication board at  
the Troutman ESC Park, in front of the  
Pavilion.  
Registration is FREE but is required.



## Adult Line Dancing

April 5th @ 10am, Troutman Depot  
137 S Main St, Troutman  
Get ready to step, slide, and groove to the  
beat in this high-energy, fun-filled line  
dancing class. Whether you're a beginner or  
an experienced dancer, this class welcomes  
everyone. Our classes will feature all genres  
of music!  
Pre-registration is required. \$5/person



## Adult Flashlight Easter Scramble

April 11nd @ 8pm, Troutman ESC Park  
Using your flashlights or head lamps to guide  
your way, you will scramble to see how many  
eggs you can find throughout the park under  
the night sky. Some eggs will be filled with  
candy, and others with a prize ticket.  
Pre-registration is required. \$5/person



## Earth Day in Troutman

April 22nd from 5-8pm, Troutman Town Hall  
We celebrate Earth Day to remind the world  
that our planet is the only place we call home,  
and that we should always work toward  
protecting it. Join us in making a community  
effort to make our neck of the woods a little  
cleaner and healthier.  
Pre-registration is required.



# Troutman Parks & Recreation: Reminder about Pets

We all love to take our fur babies for walks  
outside when the weather is nice, but please  
keep in mind some of the rules set in place  
to protect the health and safety of the public  
and to protect your pet. All dogs must be kept  
on a leash at Troutman ESC Park, unless they  
are inside the fence of the Dog Park. The Dog  
Park is the only off-leash area of Troutman  
ESC Park. Dogs must be leashed until safely  
inside and returned to a leash before exiting.  
No dogs are allowed on the ballfields.



Please contact (704) 528 - 7608 or  
ewatson@troutmann.gov with questions.

# Save the Date!



## 3rd Annual Walk of Heroes Monday, May 26th @ 11am Troutman ESC Park

Flags will be displayed along the  
greenway in Troutman in front of  
Town Hall from May 16-26th. This  
event is sponsored by the Exchange  
Club of Troutman and Evening  
Exchange Club of Lake Norman and  
the Town of Troutman. The event  
will conclude with the Memorial Day  
Tribute on May 26th. More info to  
come!

Flags may be purchased in honor or  
in memory of a loved one by visiting  
the Walk of Heroes Facebook page.



## Kids Bike Safety Fair Sat., May 10th from 10am - 12pm Troutman Town Hall

This is a FREE event for children and  
families. We will have stations setup to:  
discuss minor bike repairs with Andrew  
Ventresca, meet a police officer to hear  
more about bike & road safety, take a  
ride through safety town (bring your  
bike and helmet), bike safety art station.  
A limited amount of free helmets will be  
available until we run out. Please sign up  
online to receive a free gift!

If you would like to receive the Parks  
and Recreation Department's virtual  
monthly newsletter, informing you of  
town events and programming, please  
email award@troutmann.gov to be  
added to the list.

## Town Owned Properties

We are frequently asked why Troutman owns properties throughout the town. There are several reasons for this:

- 1) We own property that houses our pump stations and sewer/water infrastructure
- 2) We own properties that individual owners have donated to the town. These properties may be undevelopable, or the owners may be donating the property for tax reasons, and
- 3) We own property that is being land banked. This is a tool used by cities and towns for purchasing property that may be in a location of a known road or planning project.

You can find a map that shows the location of all town-owned properties at <https://www.troutmannnc.gov/planning> under the Maps tab.

## “From the Duck Blind...” Town Manager’s Memo

Easter will be on April 20th. Of course, Easter is always on a Sunday, but the exact date is determined by the Moon’s position in early spring. The holiday is for Christians to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. I hope each of you take some great pictures of your loved ones as you celebrate. Of course, the dreaded day of April for many is filing Federal taxes by April 15th. But this is a time for some of us to reflect on our debt to society. Locally, the Town of Troutman must provide public safety, utilities and waste management, per NC general statutes. Town Council directs me to do so based on the law and constituent feedback. The feedback is what becomes the foundation for other services. Our Town Park, for example, is one of the items funded by choice. Many would agree it is a necessity, but it is not required by law. I do think having a park is a must.



Did you know once again we had more than 90,000 independent people in our park last year? We continue to expand the park to meet our master plan. Soon pickleball and basketball courts will be operational. What confuses many? Who actually pays for the park? The taxpayers in the Town of Troutman mainly fund it through property tax. Where did these other more than 85,000 people come from? The majority came from Iredell County. Does the county help fund our Park? The answer is a resounding, “No.” However, they are spending in the upper 30-million-dollar range to rebuild Jennings “Sertoma” Park that was donated to them. Several million dollars were spent extending water and sewer from the City of Statesville to the park. That also freed up a lot more land that can now be annexed into the city limits of Statesville. That is great for both. But now we should ask ourselves why the county refused to spend any funds to upgrade the sewer system near the Rec center, they operate, and the fairgrounds for a long-term solution. Some commissioners have publicly stated they want to move the fairgrounds to another location. Recently, private discussions have been about possibly swapping fairgrounds for other land. Why should this matter to you? It is incredible how many non-Town residents are on social media criticizing what the Town should and should not do, especially when it comes to you paying for amenities that they use in many cases every day for free. But those people are not holding the county accountable for their tax dollars. Why does Iredell County not provide them with better recreational opportunities? Is it your place to continue providing amenities and opportunities for county residents? We all pay county taxes. Is it fair that their Rec center loses hundreds of thousands of dollars annually? Is it fair that the City of Statesville benefits from the county rehabbing a facility in North Iredell? Should the fairgrounds be traded for other land? Your thoughts matter and you certainly should let the Town Council and County Commissioners know your thoughts, pros or cons.

**Quote of the month** ~ “Ethics is knowing the difference between what you have a right to do and what is right to do.” ~ Potter Stewart

## Community Events



**Rotary Club of Troutman’s  
Miles for Matt 5K  
Saturday, April 12th @ 9am  
Troutman Town Hall**

This annual run is in memory of 14 year-old Matthew Bailey. Matt was diagnosed with a very rare, extremely aggressive brain cancer. He started intensive treatments to battle this disease and the inaugural race helped raise funds for his fight. Matt lost his fight in 2014, but the race continues in his honor. Funds are raised for a scholarship established in his name that is awarded to a student at South Iredell High School each year. Registration is \$25 prior to April 1st. Registration is \$30 after April 1st.

## Come, Touch The Robe

**Encounters with the Healer, the Servant,  
the Lord of Easter**  
An Easter Cantata

**WRITTEN BY PEPPER CHOPLIN  
ORCHESTRATED BY STAN PETHEL**

**Sunday, April 27, 2025  
11:00am  
New Perth ARP Church  
Troutman, NC**

## Local Library

**J. Hoyt Hayes Memorial Library**  
215 W Church St, Troutman  
704-528-2682  
Additional Info & Register at:  
[www.iredell.lib.nc.us](http://www.iredell.lib.nc.us)

### Children & Families

Tuesdays @ 11am - Toddler Storytime  
Fridays @ 11am - Preschool Storytime  
Tuesdays @ 4pm - Discovery Club  
March 15, 11am - Saturday Storytime  
March 17, 2pm - Bright Star Theatre  
March 20, 4:30pm - Escape Room

### Teen Program

March 13, 4pm - Family Feud  
March 19, 4pm - Chess Club



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info@troutmannnc.gov  
Visit us on the web:  
www.troutmannnc.gov

Utility Payments:  
(704) 946-5612

After-Hours Emergency Utilities:  
(704) 682 - 3835

**Leaf & Limb Reminders:**

- Leaf and Limb services are for residents inside town limits.
- Limbs will not be picked up if they have been cut by professional cutters or trimmers.
- Please take your leaves and limbs to the curb in front of your house the DAY BEFORE the first collection day. If it is not out before the crew comes through, then it will not be picked up.
- Please place your leaves and limbs in separate piles.
- Only limbs (under 4 inches in diameter) will be collected.
- Do NOT put your leaves or limbs in bags

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- @ Town of Troutman
- @ Town of Troutman Police Department
- @Town of Troutman Planning
- @Town of Troutman Public Works
- @Town of Troutman Parks and Recreation



https://www.youtube.com/  
@townoftroutman-councilmeet781

# April 2025

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
		1 Recycling	2 Recycling	3 Recycling Design Review Board @ 3pm - 5pm	4 Adult Line Dancing Troutman Depot @ 10am \$5/person	5 Adult Line Dancing Troutman Depot @ 10am \$5/person
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