



# CITY OF ASH GROVE NEWS

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## UTILITY BILLING AND OTHER CITY SERVICES

- City Hall now has a new e-mail for all utility billing questions or concerns, business licenses, permits, and rentals. Please e-mail [CityServices@ashgrovememo.gov](mailto:CityServices@ashgrovememo.gov)
- Beginning this month we have transitioned to a new billing platform with gWorks. Please examine your bill closely with new instructions and begin using a convenient way to view and pay utility bills and manage your account online.

### THANK YOU

We would like to give thanks to the Ash Grove Masonic Lodge #100 for the work on the Ash Grove Christmas Parade and Downtown Car Show. It takes a lot of work and dedication for these and other events! Volunteers are always needed.

### WINTER WEATHER

We will soon all feel the effects of the winter weather moving in and freezing pipes can be a costly problem for homeowners. Take preventative measures to protect your pipes from freezing such as:

- Opening kitchen and bathroom cabinet doors to allow warm air to circulate.
- Let the water drip in your faucets with pipes running on exterior walls that have little to no insulation.
- Add insulation to attics, basements and crawl spaces.
- Disconnect all outside hoses.
- Repair and seal cracks around windows and doors that can allow cold air to reach indoors.

Please call City Hall at 417-751-2333 ext. 1 during normal business hours or call 911 for after hours water emergencies. They will get you in touch with our public works department. Please do not attempt to turn OFF your water yourself, you will be in violation of Ordinance 700.270. In the event of snow, please park do not park your vehicles in the street. This will give Public Works the ability to safely remove the snow from city streets.

### FIRST DAY HIKE, THURSDAY, JANUARY 1, 2026

Join staff from Nathan and Olive Homestead State Historic Site for their annual First Day Hike. This moderately guided difficult hike will cover portions of all three hiking trails, Spring Box, Interpretive, and Prairie View for a total of 2.5 miles. Hike will depart from the picnic shelter at 10 am. Family friendly event is free and suitable for all ages and leashed pets. Registration up to 35 people is required.

### Nathan and Olive Boone Historic Site, 7850 N. State Hwy V

November 1st through March 31st  
OPEN Friday & Saturday from 10 am to 4 pm  
OPEN Sunday 1pm to 4 pm  
Closed Monday through Thursday  
(417) 751-3266



## DATES TO REMEMBER

- \* Monday, January 1 - City Hall CLOSED for New Years Day!
- \* Tuesday, January 6 - Public Hearing for proposed "City of Ash Grove Comprehensive Plan" at 6 pm
- \* Thursday, January 8 - Ash Grove Masonic Lodge #100 Monthly Meeting at 7:00 pm
- \* Wednesday, January 14- Monthly Siren Test 10 am
- \* Thursday, January 15 - Water Bills due by 4:30 pm
- \* Friday, January 16 - Water Bill Penalty Applied
- \* Saturday, January 17 - Food Pantry Distribution at 121 W. Main, 9 am to 11 am, Valid Drivers License, SS numbers, & proof of Greene Co. Residency. DRIVE UP ONLY OR BY APPOINTMENT AT 417-379-4421
- \* Monday, January 19 - City Hall CLOSED for Martin Luther King Jr. Day!
- \* Tuesday, January 20 - City Council Meeting 6 pm
- \* Monday, January 26 - Fire Dept. Meeting at 6 pm

### BARGAINS AND BLESSINGS 401 E BOONE

Thursday thru Saturday 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Donations are always welcome and they directly help local citizens!

### SUNSHINE CENTER 310 N PERRYMAN 751-3826

Serving weekday meals 11:30 - 12:30 with a suggested donation of \$4.00 for seniors. Patrons under 60 cost is \$8.00.

### RECYCLING CENTER 704 INDUSTRIAL DRIVE

Reminder: One bag of garbage in the recycling bin can contaminate the entire load causing it to be rejected.

### KILLINGSWORTH HALL RENTAL

Rent the Killingsworth Hall for \$100.00 per day. Please call City Hall with questions and to book.

### DIAPER BANK 403 E BOONE

The United Methodist Presbyterian Church Diaper Bank distribution is Saturday, January 17th. Pre-registration by Saturday, January 12th by emailing your name, address, and phone number, plus the name and product size for baby/child/adult to [ashgrovediapersforbabies@gmail.com](mailto:ashgrovediapersforbabies@gmail.com) or text (417) 766-4376.

### Contact Information for City of Ash Grove

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MARTIN LUTHER  
KING JR. DAY  
WE WILL BE CLOSED

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Kristina Fry  
Ronessa Williams

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Shawn Lutz  
Ray Lynch

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Chris Boyd

**Police Chief**  
John Davis

**Assistant Police Chief**  
Bob Bell

**Officers**  
Skyler Bunch  
Joe Mahan

**Park Board**  
Vacant

**Planning & Zoning Board**  
Doug Renshaw

**Fire Department**  
Tony Monnig

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**Liberty Electric**  
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**GFL (Trash)**  
1-417-851-1900  
**Spire**  
1-800-582-1234