

Volume 1

#### STRATEGIC PLANNING

The Asbury City Council recently held its annual goal setting session, outlining key priorities aimed at enhancing the quality of life for residents and fostering sustainable development within the community. This comprehensive session was held at City Hall and brought together council members and city staff to discuss major accomplishments, projects, programs, policies and initiatives.

#### **Top Priorities**

- 1. Annexation/New Development
- 2. Transportation Intersection safety and trail system expansion
- 3. Expand Winter Recreation Opportunities

#### **High Priority**

1. Drinking Water Feasibility Study

#### Other Priorities

- 1. Increased Public Engagement
- 2. Native Vegetation Planting
- 3. Communicate City Priorities to local legislators

A full report of the details outlining the council's priorities and strategies is available at cityofasbury.com. This report provides residents with guidance regarding the council's decision-making process and serves as a guide for future initiatives.





#### **GARAGE SALE GOES DIGITAL**

The City of Asbury is set to transform its traditional garage sale scene by transitioning to an electronic format. Residents and bargain hunters alike can now explore garage sales on an interactive map, making the search for hidden treasure more convenient and efficient than ever before. **Garage sales will be held May 1 to 4, 2024.** 

Our new system will make it not only easier for residents to declutter and find new homes for their items but will also attract a broader audience of buyers. The searchable feature allows users to filter sales based on specific items, ensuring that shoppers can hone in on exactly what they are looking for. Residents can easily register their garage sales, upload items details and pinpoint their location.

Check out the city's website at cityofasbury.com for more information.

#### **TEXT ALERTS**

The City of Asbury would like all residents to sign up for text alerts to stay updated on important news, events and emergencies. Stay in the loop and be a part of building a stronger Asbury together. Sign up Now!

After the initial keyword is sent, you will receive a confirmation message asking you to reply YES to verify opt-in. You can text STOP at any time to remove yourself from the list.

To opt in text ASBURY ALERTS to: 91896 or scan the QR code.





## POLICE PRECINCT WITH CHIEF TOM HENNEBERRY

Look up in the sky, it's a bird, it's a plane" ... No, it's our new drone!

The Asbury Police Department has entered the drone age. More and more agencies are adding aerial drones to assist officers with search and rescue missions, evidence collection, scene management, crash scene measuring and fire detection.

Asbury has purchased a DJI MAVIC 3T Drone. This small light weight four blade drone comes with high digital zoom lens and a thermal image camera. It has a maximum flight time of 45 minutes per battery, can reach speeds of 47 MPH and a maximum transmission range of 9.3 miles. Each officer will be trained and certified to operate this drone in accordance with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the policies of the Asbury Police Department. This drone works with our existing Axon camera system for storing video evidence, GPS mapping, and flight logs of each operator.

In the coming months officers will be conducting flight training covering day and night searching techniques, camera operation, vehicle deployment, and scene management. This new tool is an asset to our police department and community. If you have any questions, please contact the Asbury Police Department.



#### FAQ Drone Use:

Can drones be used for enforcing traffic violations? According to Iowa code section 321.494B- Use of unmanned aerial vehicle for traffic law enforcement is prohibited. The state or a political subdivision of the state shall not use an unmanned aerial vehicle for traffic law.

Can police drone fly over a house looking for a crime? lowa code section 808.15 states information obtained as a result of the use of an unmanned aerial vehicle is not admissible as evidence in a criminal or civil proceeding unless the information is obtained pursuant to the authority of a search warrant or unless the information is otherwise obtained in a manner that is consistent with state and federal law.

### CITY OF ASBURY

## **NEWSLETTER**



#### YARD WASTE

Yard waste pick up starts on April 4, 2024 and ends on November 14, 2024.

Twenty-four **free** yard waste tags per property can be picked up at Asbury City Hall during normal business hours. Additional yard tags can be purchased at City Hall, Farm & Fleet, Casey's and Hy-Vee Asbury for \$2.50 each or a sheet of 6 for \$15.00.

Bags: All yard waste must be placed in paper yard waste bags. Bags must not spill or scatter contents, but stay confined within a size not to exceed thirty (30) gallons in volume or forty (40) pounds in weight, including the bag and contents. Bags can be purchased at Hy-Vee, Farm and Fleet and local hardware stores.

Bundles: The City will continue to accept bundles of trees, limbs, shrubs and brush trimmings securely tied with rope, together forming an easily handled package not exceeding four (4) feet in length and two (2) feet in diameter or sixty (60) pounds in weight.

Yard waste collection is limited to ten (10) bags or bundles per week.

Please have all yard waste curbside by 6 a.m. on Thursdays with tags visible to the street.

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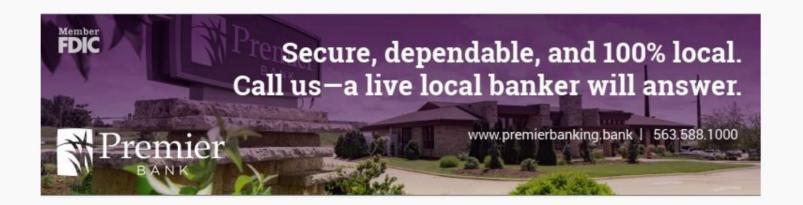


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## **SAVE THE DATE, SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2024**

#### **E-RECYCLING DAY**

Yearly the City offers a FREE e-recycling day. This event aims to encourage residents to responsibly dispose of their electronic waste while promoting environmental awareness.

Electronic Waste or E-waste poses significant environmental and health risks when improperly discarded.

Residents are encouraged to bring their unwanted electronics, computers, laptops, cell phones, tablets, prints and televisions to Asbury Park from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. Televisions and monitors have a flat fee of \$25 CASH ONLY per item.

Please bring exact cash to keep the line flowing.



### SPRING CLEAN UP DAY LARGE ITEM PICK UP

Do you have extra refuse from spring cleaning or leftovers from garage sales? Place your items curbside by 6 a.m. for this special pick-up! Regular and small items will be picked up for FREE, but the following items require a Large Item Tag: water heaters, appliances, air conditioners, dehumidifiers & humidifiers, gas grills (no propane tanks), microwaves, lawnmowers, bikes, weight benches and treadmills, furniture and mattresses. Large item tags are \$15 each and can be purchased at City Hall during normal business hours.

#### FREE SHRED DAY

We're excited to announce our upcoming Free Shred Day at Asbury Park from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. Residents can securely dispose of their sensitive documents at no cost. This event aims to promote data security and help individuals safeguard their personal information. Whether it's old bank statements, tax documents or outdated personal records, bring them along for safe disposal.

Our shredding services will ensure that your confidential information remains protected from identity left and fraud.