

WINTER 2025/2026
December, January, February

Village of Poplar Grove



Project Status

- **MFT Road Project:** Titleist & Hogan Court completed.
- **Manhole Repairs** in Ravenscrest, Bennette's Crossing, & Bel-Air
- **Sidewalk Repairs** in Old Town & Prairie Green
- Staff Attended APWA Snow Plow Rodeo.



Quick Notes from Staff



Dog Tags for use of the Village Dog Park expire Dec. 31st. New tags are available for purchase in the office. <https://www.poplargrove-il.gov/parks/page/poplar-grove-dog-park>



Please be aware of **Snow Emergency** Orders this winter and move your vehicles accordingly.



Go **PAPERLESS** with your Water Bill! Sign Up here: <https://www.poplargrove-il.gov/publicworks/page/paperless-billing-form>

Upcoming Events

Wednesday December 31, 2025 Vintage Wings & Wheels Museum is hosting a New Years Celebration from 7pm - 10pm at 5151 Orth Road, Poplar Grove, IL 61065

REMINDERS

The Village Offices will be closed for the Christmas Holiday on Wednesday December 24th and Thursday December 25th.

The Village Offices will be closed for the New Year's Holiday on Wednesday December 31st and Thursday January 1st.

The office will **NOT** be able to process any payments Thursday January 15th, Friday January 16th & Monday January 19th.

“Kindness is like snow- it beautifies everything it covers.”

~ Kahill Gibran

Business Spotlight

Ocello's Pizzeria & Italian Restaurant

We are excited for the opening of this new restaurant in Poplar Grove. Featuring a wide variety of specialty combo pizzas and authentic Italian dishes. The Ocello family is focused on quality food, friendly customer service, and a team that can provide for the community.



MON: CLOSED

TUES-THUR: 11:00 am - 9:00 pm

FRI & SAT: 11:00 am - 10:00 pm

SUN: 11:00 am - 9:00 pm

Location: 13555 IL Route 76

Poplar Grove, IL

Contact: 815-765-4444

ocellospizzeria@gmail.com

NEW: Business Directory

The Community Communications Committee has been developing a business directory to support our local businesses, non-profit organizations, and social clubs.



Last Quarter Events



The Village of Poplar Grove hosted their 12th Annual Christmas Tree Lighting event on Saturday Nov. 22nd featuring Santa, Carriage Rides, face painting, carolers, crafts for the kids, food & beverages, and a whole lot of community! It was one of the most attended Christmas Lightings.

THANK YOU!

Upcoming Meetings at Village Hall

Dec. 10th - Village Board Meeting 7pm

Dec. 17th - Village Board Meeting 7pm

Jan. 14th - Village Board Meeting 7pm

TBD - Planning & Zoning 6pm

Jan. 28th - Village Board Meeting 7pm

TBD - Planning & Zoning 6pm

Feb. 11th - Village Board Meeting 7pm

Feb. 25th - Village Board Meeting 7pm

Agendas & Packet
Information:

<https://www.poplargo-il.gov/meetings>



History

Blast from the Past:

Poplar Grove Severe Winter Weather

1842-Oct. 6 Snow began to fall, continuing for 2-3 days until it had attained a depth of more than 2 feet. Stage coaches stopped running from Chicago to Galena. Four-horse sleighs were being used.

1870-Jan. 16 A heavy thunderstorm and the next day it was 10 degrees below

1871-Heavy snowstorm in early January. Stops train for several days, 18 inches fell.

1978-Jan. 25 The Great Blizzard of '78. Northern Illinois received 20 inches of snow in three days.

2008-Jan. 7 An unseasonably warm weather brought a powerful EF-3 tornado (63 degrees)

