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#### City Hall Hours

- ◆ Monday 8:00am to 4:30pm
- ◆ Tuesday 8:00am to 6:00pm
- ◆ Wednesday: 8:00am to 1:00pm
- ◆ Thursday: 8:00am to 5:00pm
- ◆ Friday 8:00am to 4:30pm

#### Upcoming Council Meeting

December 4th  
December 18th

City Hall Closed  
December 24th  
December 25th  
January 1st

**Just a friendly reminder...** Utility bills are due the 28th of each month. Payments can be made at the city office during business hours, placed in the drop slot, mailed or paid online. The City of Kimball also accepts credit cards in person and over the phone.  
**NO PAYMENTS, NO SERVICE!**

**November Recycling Weeks:  
December 4th & 18th**

# December 2018



## Santa Claus is coming to Town!



Saturday, December 8th at the  
City Hall from 10am to 12pm.

The Kimball Legion Auxiliary will  
be having a bake sale.



## Winter Safety Tips

### Pay Attention

Did you know? Drivers speeding and not paying attention are the main causes of work zone crashes. Follow these safe winter driving tips:

- Call 511 or visit [www.511mn.org](http://www.511mn.org) before leaving on your trip to get current road conditions.
- Turn on your headlights and wear your seat belt.
- Turn off your cruise control.
- Slow down; allow at least 10 car lengths between your vehicle and the plow.
- Stay behind the snowplow. The road behind a snowplow is safer to drive on.
- Watch for snowplows that turn or exit frequently, and often with little warning.
- Never drive into a snow cloud.

### Snowplows

Snowplows travel much slower than the posted speeds because it is most effective for clearing roads. The driver's field of vision is severely restricted behind the truck, and the driver must rely on mirrors to see the rear and side of the truck. Remember to:

- **Be patient**, and remember snowplows are working to improve road conditions for your trip.
- **Stay back** at least 10 car lengths between your vehicle and the plow.
- **Stay alert** for snowplows that turn or exit frequently and often with little warning. They also may travel over centerlines or partially in traffic to further improve road conditions.
- **Slow down** to a safe speed for current conditions. Snowplows typically move at slower speeds.



## Minnesota Crime Prevention Association's Tips of the Month

### **HOLIDAY SAFETY FOR A SAFE AND HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON!**

#### **If You're Traveling...**

- ☞ Set an automatic timer for your lights.
- ☞ Ask your neighbor to watch your home, shovel the walks, pick up newspapers, collect mail, and park in the driveway from time to time to make the house look lived in.
- ☞ Be sure to keep any gifts that may be left in the house out of sight while you're gone.

#### **If You're Out for the Evening...**

- ☞ Turn on lights and a radio or television so that it appears that someone is home.
- ☞ Lock all doors and windows while you're out, even if just a few minutes.
- ☞ Do not place packages or gifts near windows or in other high-visibility sites.

#### **If You're Shopping...**

- ☞ Don't let your guard down just because you are rushing.
- ☞ Stay alert and be aware of everything around you at all times. Report suspicious activity by calling 911. The police need your eyes and ears to assist them.
- ☞ Park in well-lighted spaces and as close to the store as possible, lock your car doors, and hide packages in the trunk or under the seat. Be certain to hide items each time you return to the car.
- ☞ Don't carry large amounts of cash, pay with a check or credit card if possible. Tell the clerk to check your I.D. if they do not ask for it. Don't discard your receipts until you get home. Thieves like to collect receipts and use them to return items that were stolen from store.
- ☞ Carry your purse close to your body, not dangling by the straps. Put a wallet in an inside coat or front pants pocket. Don't leave your purse in cart and walk away. \*\*Fanny packs are great for shopping!!
- ☞ If you take your children shopping, teach them to go to a police officer or a store security guard if they get separated or lost.

#### **If You're at Home...**

- ☞ Turn on outside lights to deter burglars.
- ☞ Report any suspicious behavior to the police or local community watch groups.
- ☞ Make sure your homeowners (or renters) insurance is up-to-date and everything is inventoried properly. Operation I.D. is a great way to inventory your home.
- ☞ Get to know your neighbors.. join or start your own neighborhood watch today. For more information contact your local law enforcement agency

#### **If a Stranger comes to the Door...**

- ☞ Stay alert to suspicious-looking couriers delivering packages to you or your neighbors.
- ☞ Many con artists take advantage of holiday generosity by going door-to-door. Ask for identification and get specifics to how and where the donations will be spent/used.
- ☞ If you feel uncomfortable, just say "no thank you" and shut the door.