

# June 2018

## The City's 2017 Consumer Confidence Report is online

Annually the City is required to issue results of monitoring done in its drinking water. The purpose of this report is to advance consumers' understanding of drinking water and heighten awareness of the need to protect precious water resources.

The City of Kimball provides drinking water to its residents from a ground-water source: two wells ranging from 48 to 59 feet deep, that draw water from the Quaternary Water Table aquifer. Kimball works hard to provide you with safe and reliable drinking water that meets federal and state water quality requirements. The purpose of this report is to provide you with information on your drinking water and how to protect our precious water resources.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency sets safe drinking water standards. These standards limit the amounts of specific contaminants allowed in drinking water. This ensures that tap water is safe to drink for most people. To request a copy of these results, call the Minnesota Department of Health at 651-201-4700 or 1-800-818-9318 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Also, you can view it on line at [www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/swp/swa](http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/swp/swa).

No contaminants were detected at levels that violated federal drinking water standards. However, some contaminants were detected in trace amounts that were below legal limits. (Some contaminants are sampled less frequently than once a year; as a result, not all contaminants were sampled for in 2017. If any of these contaminants were detected the last time they were sampled for, they are included in the table along with the date that the detection occurred.)

You may view this entire report at <http://www.ci.kimball.mn.us/consumerconfidencereport>

Print copies of the report can also be requested by contacting City Hall.

### Brush and Compost Pick-up

Tuesday Mornings - All brush/compost must be placed at the curb by 6:30 am.

Rules to follow:

- ◇ Brush not to exceed 4 feet in length & must be bundled and tied.
- ◇ Compost not to exceed 50 lbs. **ONLY** corn-based self-composting bags will be picked up. Compostable bags are distinct from regular plastic bags because they are usually clear or green-tinted opaque color. Most home improvement, grocery and hardware stores now carry them. If you don't see them, ask an employee at the store.



**Biodegradable bags and Regular Garbage bags are NOT accepted and will NOT be picked up!**  
**COMPOSTABLE BAGS ONLY!**

- ◇ Residents also have to option of bringing brush and compost to the City's compost site on their own by appointment only.
- ◇ Please contact the Public Works Department for additional information or an appointment at (320) 980-4906.



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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 6:00pm,
- ◇ Friday 8:00am to 4:30pm

### Upcoming Council Meeting

June 5th  
July 10th  
August 6th  
August 21st  
September 4th  
September 18th  
October 2nd  
October 15th  
November 13th  
December 4th  
December 18th



## Reasons to clean up after your dog...

- ⇒ Storm water carries pet waste and other pollutants directly into water ways.
- ⇒ Animal waste adds nitrogen to the H<sub>2</sub>O.
- ⇒ Animal waste may contain harmful organisms that can be transported to humans and animals be contaminated H<sub>2</sub>O.
- ⇒ Worms deposited by infective animals can live in soil for long periods and be transmitted to other animals and humans.
- ⇒ It's the law. Many cities require you to pick up after your dog.
- ⇒ No one likes to step in pet waste.
- ⇒ Scooping on a daily basis and spreading lime will help prevent odors.
- ⇒ Its easy to clean up by carrying plastic bags in your pocket and dispose of them properly.
- ⇒ Your neighbors will appreciate your good manners.



## Minn. State §346.57

### **DOGS AND CATS IN MOTOR VEHICLES.**

Subdivision 1. **Unattended dogs or cats.** A person may not leave a dog or a cat unattended in a standing or parked motor vehicle in a manner that endangers the dog's or cat's health or safety.

Subd. 2. **Removal of dogs or cats.** A peace officer, as defined in section 626.84, a humane agent, a dog warden, or a volunteer or professional member of a fire or rescue department of a political subdivision may use reasonable force to enter a motor vehicle and remove a dog or cat which has been left in the vehicle in violation of subdivision 1. A person removing a dog or a cat under this subdivision shall use reasonable means to contact the owner of the dog or cat to arrange for its return home. If the person is unable to contact the owner, the person may take the dog or cat to an animal shelter.

Subd. 3. **Petty misdemeanor.** A person who violates subdivision 1 is subject to a fine of \$25.

## Severe Weather...

Severe weather normally refers to any dangerous weather event with the potential to cause the loss of life or injuries, significant damage to structures, or any serious disruption to communities.

Forms of severe weather events vary but all types can be potentially hazardous. Storms, including tornadoes, high winds, hail, lightening or excessive precipitation, are the most common types in Minnesota.

While severe weather can't be prevented, there are some simple steps everyone can take to stay safe and protect themselves and their homes whenever severe weather threatens.

### ⇒ Make a Plan

\*Step 1: Put together a plan by discussing these 4 questions with your family, friends, or household to start you emergency plan.

1. How will I receive emergency alerts and warnings?
2. What is my shelter plan?
3. What is my evacuation route?
4. What is my family/household communication plan?

\*Step 2: Consider specific needs in your household. Discuss your needs and responsibilities and how you can assist each other. Keep in mind some of these factors when developing your plan:

- Different ages of members within your household
- Medical needs including prescriptions and equipment
- Pet and services animals
- Disabilities or access and functional needs

\*Step 3: Fill out a Family Emergency Plan

\*Step 4: Practice your plan with your family/household.

### ⇒ Types of Warnings

\*Advisory: is issued when a hazardous weather or hydrologic even is occurring, imminent or likely.

\*Watch: means weather conditions are favorable for dangerous weather to occur. In other words, a "watch" means watch out for what the weather could do, and be ready to act accordingly. When a watch is in effect, it means you should look for signs of dangerous weather and maintain access to the latest information. Sometimes things can happens so quickly that warnings can't be issued.

\*Warning: means the weather event is imminent or occurring somewhere in the defined warning area and that people need to take shelter as soon as possible.