



City of Kimball

September 2013

City Hall will be closed the following dates:

- September 2

City Hall Hours:

Monday:
8:00am – 4:30pm

Tuesday:
8:00am – 6:00pm

Wednesday: Closed

Thursday:
8:00am – 6:00pm

Friday:
8:00am – 4:30pm

Upcoming City Council Meetings:

September 3
 September 17
 October 1
 November 5
 November 19
 December 3

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Back to School Safety Tips from the Minnesota Department of Public Safety

Watch for pedestrians and bicycles around schools - Office of Traffic Safety

Back-to-school means added pedestrian and bicycle traffic around schools and campuses. Motorists are reminded to drive attentively and scan the road for pedestrians. It's the law to stop for pedestrians within the crosswalk. Motorists should use extra caution when turning to look for pedestrians crossing and bicyclists in blind spots.

Key safety tips for pedestrians:

- Clearly show intentions to cross and make eye contact with drivers to ensure they see you.
- Cross at intersections, and where possible, in marked crosswalks.
- Continue to look both ways while crossing; distracted drivers aren't looking out for pedestrians.

Bicyclists are reminded to ride on roads with traffic and obey traffic signals. Riders should also wear helmets and use reflective gear and lights to increase visibility. Motorists must give riders room (at least three-foot clearance) and look twice for bicyclists.

School bus safety is for motorists and children — State Patrol

Study up on school bus safety: Drive attentively, be ready to stop for school buses and be watchful for children exiting buses and crossing streets — that's where and when they are most vulnerable.

- It's the law to stop for red flashing lights and when bus stop-arms are extended — both when driving behind a bus and when coming toward a bus on an undivided road.
- Red flashing lights indicate children are entering or exiting the bus.
- Motorists are encouraged to alter their routes or schedules to avoid buses. In doing so, motorists won't find themselves driving behind a bus and potentially putting children at risk.

Parents should discuss and demonstrate pedestrian safety with their children, and reinforce safe crossing after exiting a bus. Specifically, when getting off a bus, children should look to be sure no vehicles are passing on the shoulder (side of the road). And before crossing the street, take five "giant steps" out from the front of the bus, make eye contact with the driver, wait for the driver to signal that it is safe to cross, and then keep watching traffic when crossing.

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In this economy more and more people and families are having difficulties making ends meet.

If you are having difficulty paying your heating and/or electric bill we encourage you to contact your local Energy Assistance provider.

How can Energy Assistance help you?

Energy Assistance programs can provide:

Assistance towards a household's home energy bill

Emergency assistance if a household's home energy service is shut off

Emergency assistance if a household is unable to get fuel delivered

Advocating with energy-related services such as weatherization improvements, furnace equipment repair and replacement, and budget counseling.

LOCAL ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROVIDER FOR:

BENTON, MORRISON, SHERBURNE, STEARNS COUNTIES:

TRI-COUNTY ACTION PROGRAM, INC

1210 23RD AVE S

WAITE PARK MN 56387

(320) 251-1612 or 1-888-765-5597

WWW.TRICAP.ORG

"This program is funded by the Minnesota Department of Commerce and U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services"

Compost Site:

PLEASE DO NOT DISPOSE OF PROHIBITED ITEMS OR DISPOSE OF ITEMS IN PROHIBITED LOCATIONS - THE FOLLOWING ITEMS HAVE BEEN DISPOSED OF AND ARE STRICTLY PROHIBITED:

- **DIMENSIONAL LUMBER**
- **ALUMINUM CANS**
- **NO GARBAGE BAGS OR BIODEGRADABLE BAGS**

ALL ITEMS MUST BE PLACED ON EITHER THE COMPOST PILE OR THE BRUSH PILE!! ABSOLUTELY NO ITEMS ARE ALLOWED TO BE PLACED ON THE ROADWAY!! ONLY COMPOSTABLE BAGS ARE ALLOWED!!

Brush and Compost Curbside Pick-up is offered each Tuesday

Brush cannot exceed 4 feet in length & **MUST** be bundled and tied. **IT CANNOT EXCEED 50 POUNDS!!** All leaves and grass clippings **MUST** be in compostable bags!! We will no longer be accepting bins or containers or any sort!!

ONLY Corn-based self composting bags will be picked up. Compostable bags are distinct from regular plastic bags because they are usually clear or a green-tinted opaque color. Most home improvement, grocery and hardware stores carry them. If you do not see them **ASK** an employee at the store. Biodegradable bags are **NOT** accepted.

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

If you have questions contact the Public Works Department at (320) 980-4906