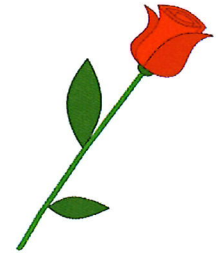




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The Boulevard of Roses



Ordinance Regulating Hunting Within City Limits

The Kenyon City Council recently updated the City's Hunting and Weapon Discharge Ordinance to improve public safety and clarify where hunting is allowed within city limits. The ordinance continues to **prohibit the discharge of firearms anywhere in the city.**

The update allows **limited bow hunting on private property only**, with the property owner's permission and in full compliance with Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) regulations and state safety requirements. **Hunting of any kind is not allowed on City-owned property**, including parks, trails, public facilities, and rights-of-way. These changes help align Kenyon's local ordinance with state law while ensuring clear and consistent rules to protect residents, visitors, and public spaces.



Local KMU Scholarship

Kenyon Municipal Utilities is sponsoring the 2026 local scholarship award. High school seniors whose parents or guardians are customers of Kenyon Municipal Utilities are eligible to apply. The local winner will be awarded \$ 5 0 0 .

Applications are available at City Hall and the Kenyon-Wanamingo High School. The application deadline is February 27, 2026.



City Committee Vacancies

The City of Kenyon currently has several openings on city committees. Residents are encouraged to get involved and help shape our community.

- ◆ **Park & Recreation Committee - 2 vacancies**
Ideal for those who enjoy planning events, volunteering, and helping maintain and enhance Kenyon's parks and recreational spaces.
- ◆ **Historic Preservation Commission - 1 vacancy**
Members work to identify and pursue designation of local historic sites and promote awareness of historic preservation and Kenyon's history.
- ◆ **Planning Commission - 3 vacancies**
Serves as an advisory body to the City Council on matters relating to planning, land use regulation, building and housing codes, and community development.

Interested residents should contact City Hall for more information or to apply.

Library Events



Storytime at the Library

Join us for **Storytime every Wednesday and Friday at 10:30 am** -perfect for young listeners and their caregivers!



Baby & Me Storytime

We're offering a special **Baby and Me Storytime on Thursday, February 26th at 10:00 a.m.** This program is designed especially for babies and their caregivers to enjoy stories, songs, and bonding time.



Adult Valentine Crafting Class

Get creative at our **Adult Valentine's Crafting Class on February 12th from 6:00-7:30 p.m.** Enjoy a relaxed evening of crafting and fun.

Power Outage

If you experience a power outage, report it to Kenyon Municipal Utilities. During business hours: call City Hall at 507-789-6415. After hours: call the same number and press 1 for utilities.

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Utility Bill Information

KMU customer meters are read on the 15th of each month, and utility bills are mailed approximately one week later. Customers may set up an account through the city website www.cityofkenyon.gov by selecting the "Pay Utility Bill" link. Online features include:

- ◆ View current bills, balances due, and past billing history
- ◆ E-Billing - Enroll in paperless billing and receive your bill electronically
- ◆ Text & Pay - Receive bill notifications and make payments via text message
- ◆ Auto-pay - Set up automatic monthly payments
- ◆ Pay by credit or debit card. (2.75% processing fee applies)
- ◆ ACH bank payments made online through Paya (\$1.10 fee applies)



[Pay Utility Bill](#)

Additional Payment options

- ◆ Pay in person at City Hall or use one of the drop boxes located in the alley behind City Hall or in the lobby. Accepted payment types: cash, check, money order, and credit/debit cards (2.75% fee applies)
- ◆ **ACH Automatic Withdrawal - sign up at City Hall to have payments deducted directly from your bank account on the 10th of each month. This option is FREE.**

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Shoveling Driveway Openings

The City requests that residents wait until the Public Works crew has completed plowing operations before cleaning the end of their driveways. City snowplows are designed to discharge the snow to the sides of the roadway and are unable to “skip over” driveways. Clearing snow from the end of the driveway to the right, when facing the street, may help reduce the amount of snow deposited during subsequent plowing operations.



Trash/Recycle Bins

Reminder from the Public Works Department and Flom Disposal: To avoid damage to your trash receptacles and recycle bins, please keep them out of the street and place them at the end of your driveway. The receptacles must be brought back up to your house after trash and recycling is picked up each week.

ATTENTION: All KMU WATER Customers!

Customers are urged to take the temperature of their water and then continue monitoring it for the next two months even if we get several days of warmer weather.

You should immediately start running a continuous pencil lead-width stream of water from a faucet:

- If your water temperature is below 36 degrees Fahrenheit
- If you notice rusty or below-normal flow of water

A frozen water service repair could cost between \$800-\$1000 or more. The cost to run a constant pencil lead-width stream of water to avoid a frozen water line is much less (\$50-\$60 per month including sewer fees). Frozen pipes can occur in any structure regardless of its age.

Round Up Program Supports Food Shelf

As a customer of Kenyon Municipal Utilities, you have an opportunity to help support a program that provides financial assistance to the All Seasons Community Service Food Shelf located in Kenyon.

Through participation in the Round Up Program, your monthly utility bill is rounded up to the next whole dollar, with the difference donated directly to the food shelf. This simple program offers a convenient way to help support families in need within our community. The maximum contribution per account is \$0.99 per month, and 100% of the funds collected are donated to the food shelf. **In 2025, the Round Up Program raised \$3,128.34 in support of local residents.**

If you would like to participate and support the Kenyon food shelf, please contact City Hall at 789-6415 ext. 1.

Food Shelf



Winter Parking Regulations

Changes to Ordinance No. 94 regarding winter parking regulations and penalties took effect December 16, 2020. Revisions to the ordinance make it unlawful to park a vehicle on a street or highway after a continuous or intermittent snowfall **that requires mobilization of City snow plow crews**, and until all snow, ice, and similar debris has been plowed or removed from the paved portion of the street or highway. The police dept. is authorized to ticket and/or tow vehicles that are in violation. The fine for violation is \$50 if paid within 48 hours, \$100 if not paid within 48 hours but within a week, and \$200 if paid after one week.



Sidewalk - Snow Removal

Property Owners: All ice and snow must be removed from sidewalks within 24 hours after the snow or other precipitation causing the condition has ceased to fall. All sidewalks abutting Hwy. 56 & 60 between Langford & Spring streets must be clear of all ice and snow within 12 hrs.

REMINDER: When removing snow from your property, it cannot be put onto city streets, alleyways or your neighbor's property.

KANS For Kenyon

The Rose Fest Committee continues to collect aluminum cans as a fundraising effort. Residents can contribute by depositing empty aluminum cans in the trailer located in the Kenyon Market parking lot. All proceeds are used to sponsor Rose Fest events. **In 2025, the donation of cans raised \$1,714.** The Rose Fest Committee thanks the community for its continued support!



License Your Pets:

Kenyon City ordinance requires ALL cats and dogs over the age of 6 months to be licensed every 3 years. Current rabies information is required to obtain the license. **Licenses are available at City Hall, 709 2nd Street.**

Cost: \$10 (spayed/neutered)
\$20 (not spayed/neutered)

Fines for a pet at large: \$50 fine for a pet with a license and \$100 fine for a pet without a current license.



Fire Hydrants

REMINDER from Kenyon Fire Department:

If a fire hydrant is located near your property, we ask that you clear the snow away from it as you shovel. Precious minutes could be lost if firefighters need to dig out hydrants in the case of fire.



Wayne Ehrich, Fire Chief

UPCOMING MTGS & EVENTS:

- FEB. 10 & MAR. 10: CITY COUNCIL MTG. AT 7 P.M.
- FEB. 17 & MAR. 17: KMU COMMISSION MTG. AT 3 P.M.
- FEB. 3 & MAR. 3: PARK & REC. COMMITTEE MTG. AT 6:00 P.M.
- Feb. 16: Holiday - Office Closed
- FEB. 3 & MAR. 3: LIBRARY BOARD AT 6:00 P.M.