



City of Kenyon Chronicle

The Boulevard of Roses



October, 2022

2023 Budget & Tax Levy

Meeting on Tuesday, December 6th at 6:30 p.m.

In September, the City Council adopted a maximum preliminary 2023 levy of \$1,183,301. This represents a 6.8% increase over the 2022 levy. This amount of levy increase approved by the Council cannot be increased. The council can reduce the levy increase before the end of this year. The final levy must be approved by the end of December. A public meeting on the proposed levy and budget will be held on Dec. 6th at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall. Interested residents and business owners are encouraged to attend!

Mark Vahlring, City Administrator

General Election Nov. 8

Kenyon Fire Hall
located at 620 Centennial Drive
Polls Open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Local Offices on the Ballot:

- ◆ Mayor
- ◆ 2 Council Seats
- ◆ 4 KW School Board Seats



Christmas in Kenyon

SAVE THE DATE: SATURDAY, DEC. 3

Watch for future details on the Kenyon Park and Rec Facebook page or the City of Kenyon website:

www.cityofkenyon.org

Trunk or Treat

Come join us for Halloween fun at a party in the park and grab some tasty treats from the trunks. All ages welcome.

Sunday, October 30th

Depot Park

3:00 – 5:00pm



**Hot Dog Meals will be available for purchase.
Come hungry!!**

Volunteers needed to decorate trunks of their cars and pass out candy to the little goblins roaming around town. **Donations** are also welcome to 'sponsor' a trunk if you aren't able to attend.

Please contact **Parks & Rec** to sign-up or donate and celebrate the kiddos of our community.

Contact 507-581-4007 to Sign up or Sponsor!

Direct-Pay for Utility Bill

KMU offers direct-pay for your utility bills. If you are tired of writing checks every month, direct-pay may be a better option. Advantages of direct pay include:

- ◆ A copy of your bill will still be mailed to you
- ◆ Payment is automatically deducted from your checking or savings account on the due date.
- ◆ Cost-Effective - Free transfer cost for customer
- ◆ Secure Electronic Transfer between banks
- ◆ Fast - No late payments

Call 789-6415 for more information or print an "Application for Direct-Pay for Utility Bills" from the city website www.cityofkenyon.com under Departments - Kenyon Municipal Utilities.

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Three Rivers Community Action
Energy Assistance Program
may be able to help you with winter energy bills.
(Eligibility is based on household income.)
Serving Goodhue, Rice and Wabasha Counties

**Call Three Rivers
Community Action!**
800-277-8418
www.threeriverscap.org

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10400 1st Ave SW, Kenyon, MN 56023

Kenyon Area Historical Society

Christmas Bake Sale (Cookie Walk)

Saturday, December 10th 10am - 1pm

@ The Gunderson House

Varieties Available:

Decorated Sugar Cut Out
Peanut butter Kiss
Russian Tea Cake
Fattigmann
Sanbakkels

Lefse
Spritz
Kringla
Rosettes
Krumkake



Pre-Order Available by calling

Debb Paquin @ 507-838-2632 or Coralee Monroe @ 612-756-4687 or 789-6399. Deadline for pre-order is Saturday, December 3rd for pickup on December 10th. Visit us on Facebook @ Kenyon Area Historical Society for updates and additional information.

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709 2nd Street
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507-789-6415 info@cityofkenyon.com

www.cityofkenyon.com

EDA Welcomes New CEDA Staff

Cora Boelman is the new staff person from CEDA (Community and Economic Development Associates). She is part of the CEDA Community Support Program. CEDA staff provide economic development assistance to many communities in Southern Minnesota. In Kenyon Cora's efforts will be focused on the downtown and the Business Park. She will be working in the City one day per week.



Mark Vahlbing, City Administrator

"Shops with Cops" Program

The Kenyon Police Department will again be sponsoring the "Shops with Cops" program this December. This year's program will be based on the "Adopt a Family" concept. The purpose of the program is to help disadvantaged families with shopping for holiday gifts. Watch for further details about this program on the KPD Facebook page or



www.cityofkenyon.com.

Jeff Sjablom, Police Chief

Leaves/Grass Clippings Disposal

The Public Works Department would like to remind residents that when you are raking your yards, do not place leaves and grass clippings into the gutter or street areas.

City residents can dispose of yard waste at no charge in the designated area near the Public Works building located at 109 Gates Avenue.

Wayne Ehrlich, Public Works Superintendent



Snow Ordinance

Winter Parking: It is unlawful to park a vehicle on any street or highway after a continuous or intermittent snowfall that requires mobilization of City snow plow crews, and until all snow, ice & similar debris has been plowed or removed from the paved portion of the street or highway. All vehicles in violation will be ticketed and/or towed.



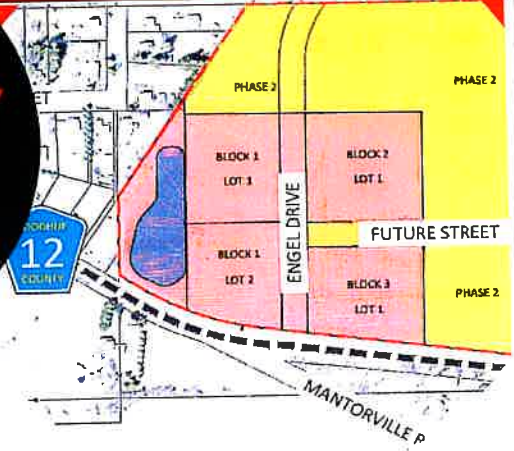
Sidewalk Ordinance: Property Owners: All ice and snow must be removed from sidewalks within 24 hours after snow or other precipitation causing the condition has ceased to fall. All sidewalks abutting Hwy. 56 & 60 between Langford Ave. & Spring Street must be clear of all ice and snow within 12 hours.

Kenyon Police Department

Kenyon Business Park

BUSINESS PROPERTY FOR SALE

Kenyon, Minnesota



Incentives

- As low as \$0 cost land
- Site improvement cost assistance
- TIF for eligible manufacturing, warehouse, office and related

About property

30-acre business park

Conveniently located approximately 1/2 mile east of State Highway 56 on Goodhue County 12

Served by all utilities; 3 phase electric, Natural gas, Sewer, Water, High speed broadband & phone, On-site storm water treatment

Call us
507-218-8126

Email us
cora.boelman@cedausa.com

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At the Library.....

Pre-school Story Time:



Story time is held in the library every Thursday & Friday at 10:30 am from September through May unless otherwise noted. Story time lasts about one hour. All children ages birth and up are welcome to attend with an adult.

Each week a different theme will be featured. All story time events are free.

Book Sale

All items are \$0.10 each. The sale will end mid-November. Sale hours are regular library hours. Check out our website at kenyon.lib.mn.us or call 507-789-6821 for more information.



Michelle Otte, Library Director

Holiday Closings:

Kenyon City Offices & Public Library will be closed:

November 11 - Veterans' Day Observance

November 24 & 25 - Thanksgiving

December 26 - Christmas Holiday

January 2 - New Year's Holiday

UPCOMING MTGS & EVENTS:

- NOV. 16 & DEC. 13 @ 7 P.M.: CITY COUNCIL MTG.
- NOV. 15 & DEC. 20: KMU COMMISSION MTG. AT 2 P.M.
- NOV. 1 & DEC. 6: PARK & REC. COMMITTEE MTG. AT 6 P.M.
- NOV. 1 & DEC. 6 LIBRARY BOARD AT 6:30 P.M.
- DEC 6: FIRE CONTRACT MTG. @ 6:00 P.M.; PUBLIC BUDGET & LEVY DISCUSSION @ 6:30 P.M.