

CITY OF KINDRED

Where Kindness is a Way of Life



Water Tower Project Update



Kindred’s skyline is set for another exciting change this summer!

With warmer weather finally in the near future, Maguire Iron and Moore Engineering are gearing up to complete this long, drawn-out project.

Prep and paint work on the new tower will begin in June. Once services are switched over to the new tower, and it is fully functional, the old tower will be demolished.

This project will double Kindred’s water storage from 50,000 gallons to 100,000 gallons. Completion is scheduled for September 2019.



City Hall will be closed Monday, May 27th.

ACH Auto Pay by Bank Draft is NOW AVAILABLE!!

We are pleased to offer a new way to pay your utility bills – ACH Auto Pay. Now you can have your utility bills paid automatically each month directly from your checking or savings account with **no service fees**.

How does ACH Auto Pay work?

On the 15th of each month, the total amount due on your utility bill account will be withdrawn automatically from your checking or savings account as an electronic debit. Partial payments are not acceptable with ACH withdrawals.

Any resident or business that receives a City of Kindred utility bill can sign up for this **FREE SERVICE WITH NO FEES!!**

To enroll, simply complete an ACH registration form, found at City Hall or on our website at www.cityofkindrednd.com, and return it with a voided check to Kindred City Hall, 31 5th Ave N, Kindred, ND 58051.

What are you waiting for??! Summer fun is just around the corner! Take one responsibility off your to-do list and enjoy the ease of Auto Pay!!



Kindred Days Bulletin



Join your neighbors for good food & fun all weekend!

August 9th-11th, 2019

Car show, parade, vendor booths, bouncy houses, laser tag, petting zoo, carriage rides, airport fly-in, youth theatre production, free swim at the pool, live music, and much, much more!

Interested in volunteering for Kindred Days? Email suziemarly@yahoo.com.



Kindred Park Board Bulletin



Summer parks and recreation planning is underway.

T-ball and softball registration numbers came out strong with over 120 kids participating in ball this summer. The pool is getting cleaned and spruced up and water will be flowing soon. Unfortunately, as of right now, we are unable to offer swimming lessons. We have exhausted all resources, local and non-local, looking for certified instructors. **If you or someone you know is 16 years of age or older and willing to take a certification course (adults welcome!), please contact Kindred Parks & Rec today at kindredparkboard@gmail.com.**

The hours and dates are flexible; the pay and incentives are great!

We are looking forward to a great summer!



Garbage Rate Change

As per the City’s contract with Waste Management, the annual garbage rate increase of 2.5% took effect May 1st, 2019. On April 3rd, 2019, City Council approved matching the annual rate increase on City garbage rates resulting in the changes below.

Garbage Tote Size	Previous Garbage Rate	2.5% Increase	New Monthly Garbage Rate
64-gallon	\$18.00	\$0.45	\$18.45
96-gallon	\$18.41	\$0.46	\$18.87
Extra Garbage Tote (any size)	\$10.50	\$0.26	\$10.76

One recycling tote per residence is included in the garbage rate. Each additional recycling tote is \$1.75/mo.

Remember that recycling pick up is every other Tuesday.



Simply place totes curbside (not in the street right-of-way) leaving a 3-foot space between each tote and other obstacles (poles, cars, etc.) to provide enough room for the truck’s mechanical arm to maneuver safely between obstructions.



Your single sort recycling tote is a great way to help our environment when it is used correctly!

NO plastic bags or wrapping! They may be efficient in gathering items, but they cause trouble for recycling equipment. Some grocery stores have a bin for recycling plastic bags. **Be sure to keep items CLEAN & DRY** and keep tote lids closed on rainy days! Wet, soggy items cannot be recycled and will end up in the landfill.

This video shows what problems can arise from recycling contaminants: <https://youtu.be/LlBoFbi7ugg>.

Visit our website at www.cityofkindrednd.com/citybusiness.html for recycling tips, videos, myths, and other resources, as well as the 2019 GOLD WEEK Recycling Calendar for Kindred.

Yard Waste



The yard waste dumpsters are now available for the season! They are located on Elm Street west of the railroad tracks by the City Shop.

Rules of use:

This service is for use by City residents only.

Acceptable yard waste includes:

Grass clippings, leaves, garden vegetation, brush limbs, and small branches.

NO branches larger than 6” diameter. NO tree stumps.



NO plastic bags. Please empty contents from bags and dispose of the bags in receptacle or reuse them!

If the dumpsters are full, **please DO NOT leave yard waste on the ground.** Please check back the following day, as we monitor these daily and request empty dumpsters as needed.

THIS PROPERTY IS NOT A COLLECTION SITE FOR APPLIANCES OR JUNK OF ANY SORT! THIS IS CONSIDERED ILLEGAL DUMPING AND IS PUNISHABLE BY FINES. REFER TO KINDRED CITY ORDINANCE NO. 15-0311.

If this service gets abused, our vendor will no longer offer it.

Thank you for your cooperation!



SPECIAL CLEAN UP is scheduled for Saturday, June 15th, 2019!!

And it is CURB SIDE so the trucks will come to you!!

Curbside clean up will only be performed for single family homes and mobile home locations who pay a monthly garbage fee to the City. Residents will be allowed to leave acceptable bulky garbage on the curb side of their boulevard. To alleviate garbage possibly being blown around to neighboring yards or dispersed into the streets, we ask that you do not place your items on the curb until Monday, June 10th.

Allowable quantity per residence is 3 yards - about the size of three 96-gallon totes.



Acceptable Items: Paint cans with lids off and dried, bulky household items including chairs, sofas, mattresses, furniture, toilets, etc.



Non-Acceptable Items: Electronics (TVs, computers, monitors, printers), household hazardous waste, lawn mowers or other small engines containing fuel or liquids, liquids of any type, freon containing items, propane tanks, gas cans, metals, cement blocks, masonry bricks, or any other type of landscape support, tires and batteries.

NO appliances of any kind: dishwashers, microwaves, washers, or dryers.

NO large amounts of construction/demolition materials.

Please Note: Any item(s) deemed Non-Acceptable or to be a hazard to the employees or the collection vehicle will NOT be collected and will be your responsibility to remove.

Thank you for your cooperation! Happy Spring Cleaning!

In an effort to encourage eco-friendly choices by reducing the number of gently used items delivered to the landfill and passing them off to others who will put them to good use,



City Hall will be a Donation Drop Off Area again this year!



If you are in spring cleaning mode and have gently used goods you would like to donate but do not have the means to get them there, we can help! We will accept **gently-used** clothing, linens, jewelry, shoes, accessories, small household and kitchen goods, and small furniture pieces at City Hall.

We will coordinate with Fargo-Moorhead area second hand stores to pick up the donations.

Please box or bag items to allow for more convenient storage and transport.

You can rest easy knowing that you've: **1)** cleared some space up in your home or garage, **2)** diverted your items from our landfills, **3)** passed along quality items to others for reuse! **Way to go!!**

Donations may be dropped off at City Hall on the north side of the building by over head garage doors, between the hours of 9AM-3PM June 10th-14th or by appointment by contacting City Hall.

No broken or damaged goods will NOT be accepted. Items left outside the building, will be considered ILLEGAL DUMPING AND IS PUNISHABLE BY FINES SET OUT BY KINDRED CITY ORDINANCE NO. 15-0311.

Would you like to receive City email notices, updates, and newsletters via email??!
Email us at cityofkindred@msn.com with "Email List" in the subject line to register!
Check out our website www.cityofkindrednd.com for all things City related.



Spring Mayoral Update



Hello City of Kindred Residents!

In high school I once got a sun burn running in a Saturday track meet in early May. The Monday after we were called off of school due to a blizzard. I remember looking out the window at the blowing snow thinking how unique it was to experience a blizzard with a sunburn. After this winter, I pray my sunburn/blizzard memory was an isolated experience! Congrats to everyone for making it through a terribly cold and long winter.

Huge THANK YOU to Rich Schock for doing a stellar job in keeping our streets clean during a difficult winter. He put in multiple sleepless nights and many hours of overtime to go above and beyond to care for our town. Many don't know that Rich is our only full-time public works employee. Outside of some emergency snow removal help, Rich was a one-man band, keeping our operating costs down while providing outstanding service. As Kindred grows, we move closer to having to add additional full time staff but until then, thank you Rich, for helping keep our cost of living down in Kindred.

Once again, know there is a method to our madness regarding the city's intentional staffing and cost savings plan regarding snow removal. Instead of employing a large work force, we are choosing to save costs by utilizing patience and trust in Rich to get the job done.

The main take-away/need-for-enforcement issue that arose from this winter is snow removal outfits depositing snow in the street. Know that next season penalties will be enforced for any snow removal company or resident depositing snow in the street. As a city, we provide open spaces for snow deposits and from now on snow removal must use said lots instead of the street.

City Prep for the Summer

We are asking for patience around street sweeping this summer. Kindred owns a street sweeper that has seen many maintenance issues. We have been told that regular maintenance and problems with street sweeping equipment is not uncommon. The alternative is hiring an external group to do the work but this is extremely expensive. We put a bunch of money in the street sweeper last season for repairs and plan to give it another season or two in order to not waste that investment.

Junk and Waste Ordinance

This is a friendly reminder that last summer we installed new/improved junk and animal waste ordinances that will be enforced to the full extent of the law. Let's be good neighbors make sure we eliminate the junk and waste in our yards.



Spring Mayoral Update



Super Citizen Award

In an effort to acknowledge the caring ways of our residents and to encourage better communication between residents and City Hall, we have decided to create a Super Citizen Award. The inaugural winner of this award is Ashley Otteson. In May, Ashley saved her neighborhood potentially six figures in water damages when she alerted City Hall to a flashing warning light on a pump house near her home. Like most of us, Ashley has a full life but generously she took a moment to call City Hall. The gesture was quick but the benefits were great as she helped keep her neighbors' basements from flooding with waste water. If you witness a caring resident in action, please report this to City Hall. Super Citizen Award winners will receive a \$50 credit to their water bill and a special thank you gift from the City of Kindred.

What your City Leaders Are Up To and Upcoming Events

- * **Secured \$300,000 more in grants for our lagoon expansion project:** Special thanks to Moore Engineering for getting this done. Total grant funding is now at \$3,300,000, bringing the out-of-pocket cost to the community at just 17.5% of the project cost. Amazing!
- * **Concrete in the Park:** Per resident request and to reduce mud/gravel in the buildings, we have decided to pave both the Pool and Memorial Building parking lots. In addition, we will be installing a concrete slab and shade structures to the current pool deck to provide more space inside the pool area for seating and parties. Along with our Elm St. sidewalk project, our city concrete projects will be conducted throughout the summer.
- * **Governors Main Street Initiative:** In an effort to beautify, occupy, and improve our Kindred's downtown, we have started working with Governor Burgum's Main St. Initiative. Our plan is to utilize their experience, expertise, and hopefully access funding sources.
- * **Economic Development:** We have started the process of creating both a Renaissance Zone for our downtown and an Economic Development board. Our goal is to invite more business to town and to create tax incentives to aid the process. If you are interested in being involved with either board, please contact City Hall to be notified of upcoming meetings.

Elm Street Sidewalk Project Update

City Council voted to approve Camrud Foss Concrete Const., Inc as the City's contractor for this summer's concrete improvement projects. The sidewalks between Highway 15 and 4th Ave will be replaced on both the North and South sides of Elm Street. The City is going to assist property owners with handling the contracted work and offering the option to assess the expenses to their property if needed. If property owners would like additional concrete work completed (driveways or paths from street to homes), please contact Camrud Foss directly at (218)233-0065 to discuss your options and their availability.

Permit FAQ

When do I need a permit?

Permits are required for any structural changes, repairs, or additions, decks, porches, finishing basements, installing wood stoves or masonry fireplaces, window replacements of larger sizes, demolition work, accessory structures, new roofs, and fences.

A permit is NOT needed to:

Paint a house (interior or exterior), add/replace siding or insulation to an existing structure, hang wallpaper, replace cabinets, shingle a roof, or erect an accessory structure having a floor area of 120 square feet or less.

Where do I obtain a permit?

Visit Moore Engineering's Building Inspections Department inside West Fargo City Hall, 800 4th Ave. E., Suite 1, West Fargo, for all building permits EXCEPT fence permits.
Phone: (701)433-5480



Fence permits can be obtained at City Hall.

For more information, contact us!

Phone: (701)428-3115

Email: cityofkindred@msn.com



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