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Come Celebrate Kingsford's 100th Birthday with Us!

Happy Birthday

- Thursday, Aug 3 - Gates open at 4PM
- Friday, Aug 4 - Gates open at 3PM
- Saturday, Aug 5 - Gates open at 11AM

Ticket Info:

- 3-Day Advanced = \$45.00
- Single Day, Thurs & Fri = \$30
- Saturday = \$40

Prices will go up July 22nd!!

Tickets can be purchased locally at:

Kingsford's City Hall, 1st National Bank branches, First Bank Kingsford, & Bob & Jerry's Bar!

[Tap or Here to Purchase Tickets Online!](#)

Purchase an insulated 24oz souvenir mug online for \$10 and get \$2 off your first beverage!

The Centennial Committee is looking for volunteers to help during the event. If you are interested, please contact Janet Gude at (906)250-2849

Please note: LoDal Park will be closed to normal use from August 1st, 2023 thru August 6th, 2023 in preparation for the Centennial Event.

City-Wide Rummage Sales

The City of Kingsford hosted its first ever city-wide rummage sale event on June 10th, 2023. It was a huge success with over 70 participants! Be on the look out March 2024 for registration information!

City Tree Lighting Event

We will have another tree lighting event Thursday, December 7th, 2023 at the City Hall! To be a part of this event please contact Jenny Castro, adminasst@kingsfordmi.gov. Preparations will begin September 2023.

Water & Sewer Rate Increase Going Into Affect July 1st, 2023

There will be an incremental rate increase for water and sewer rates this July 1st, 2023 to provide for increases in the Joint Sewage Authority usage increase, and for ongoing water and sewer projects the city is completing. The meter rates will be increasing by 5% and the usage rates will be increasing by 2.5% these incremental increases offset the need for a higher increase than what was imposed last July 1st, 2022.

[Tap or Click to View our Current Rate List!](#)

Assessing/Zoning Dept. General Information

Assessors in Michigan are expected to annually visit 20% of parcels in each class of property. This is a State Tax Commission (STC) policy and all Michigan assessors are expected to meet this quota. The goal is to keep assessment data up to date by visiting each property at least once every 5 years. Some examples of data gathered in a field inspection include the dimensions of all buildings, class of construction, story height, and concrete/asphalt square footage. These inspections are critical to developing accurate assessments. Taxpayers can expect a visit from the Assessor if their property was recently purchased, if a building permit was issued, or if their property hasn't been inspected in 5 years. Taxpayers will receive an annual Assessment Change Notice in February. If for any reason you disagree with the assessment, please contact the Assessor immediately to discuss your appeal options. Don't hesitate to call the Assessor with any property tax, or zoning related questions at 906-774-3526 ext. 4 or email assessor@kingsfordmi.gov

Upcoming Office Closings:

- Tuesday, July 4 - Independence Day
Garbage Pick Up: Mon, Wed, Thurs & Fri
- Thursday, Aug. 3 - Centennial Event
Office Closed 11:00am to Account for Low Staffing
- Friday, Aug. 4 - Centennial Event
Office Closed 11:00am to Account for Low Staffing
- Monday, Sept. 4 - Labor Day
Garbage Pick Up: Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri
- Thursday, Nov. 23- Thanksgiving
Garbage Pick Up: Mon, Tues, Wed (2 Trucks)
- Friday, Nov. 24 - Day After Thanksgiving
Garbage Pick Up: Mon, Tues, Wed (2 Trucks)
- Friday, Dec. 22 - Christmas Eve
Garbage Pick Up: No Change
- Monday, Dec. 25 - Christmas Day
Garbage Pick Up: Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri



Important Dates:

- Tuesday, Jul. 18 - Board of Review
- Tuesday, Aug. 15- Summer Taxes due
- Tuesday, Nov. 7th - Election Day
- Thursday, Dec. 7th - Tree Lighting Event
More information will go out closer to date - check our website!
- Tuesday, Dec. 12 - Board of Review
- Thursday, Feb. 29th, 2024 - Final Day to Pay Taxes at City Hall.

Upcoming Water, Sewer & Road Projects!

****All project dates are subject to change based on contractors & funding****

[Tap or Click to View Project Updates!](#)

2023-2025 - Kingsford Heights Water Replacement Project

This will be one of the largest projects in the City of Kingsford's history which will address 100 plus year old undersized, galvanized and cast watermain issues. This will comply with Michigan Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (ELG) lead/copper service line issue that affects water quality across the state of Michigan.

2023-2024 - Breitung Avenue from Woodbine Street to M-95 will receive complete road reconstruction. New Storm sewer, curbs, sidewalks, water services, hydrants, new watermain connections for the Garden Village area for better pressure and fire protection. Two blocks of watermain will be replaced from East Breitung Avenue to East Sagola Avenue on Woodbine Street for better looping of the watermain. This project will be partly funded by a MDOT grant in the amount of \$280,000.

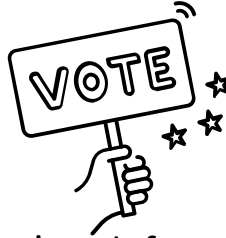
2023 - Kimberly Avenue at Cass Street Intersection, watermain will be replaced across the intersection due to the repaving of Kimberly Avenue the following year. In conjunction with the watermain, a section of sanitary sewer line will be replaced on Hamilton Avenue. towards the school. Hamilton Avenue will not be disturbed but possibly closed for a week for by-pass pumping purposes.

2024 - Carpenter Avenue from Woodward Avenue to Hamilton Avenue will be completely reconstructed and paid for by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT). This will include a new storm sewer, curbs, sidewalk, signs and paved road surface. The City of Kingsford will be funding complete sanitary and water utilities within these two blocks. This project will start once school is let out and planned to be finished prior to school starting in the fall. With this project, MDOT will be repaving Kimberly Avenue.

2024 - North Pyle Drive will be repaved from Pyle Drive to Woodward Avenue. No utility work is needed. This project will be funded by an MDOT grant in the amount of \$187,500.

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2025 - 2026 - (Tentative) East Breen Avenue from M-95 to Woodbine street will be completely reconstructed with new curbs and roadway. In addition, East Breen Avenue will get new a watermain, water services and hydrants. Two blocks of Woodbine Street to East Sagola Avenue will get a new watermain. This will help with water pressure and fire protection in the Garden Village area.



Elections Information

City General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 7th, 2023. Polls open from 7am-8pm for the purpose of electing candidate(s) to the following offices: (3) City Councilmembers.

If you are interested in becoming an Election Inspector please contact Tanya Hiltonen, Deputy Clerk, depclerk@kingsfordmi.gov or 906-774-3526x6. There will be additional days the polls will be open due to recent constitutional changes and we will need to have Election Staff to accommodate those additional hours. Thank you for your interest, I look forward to hearing from you!

Updated Contact Information

We would like to update our contact information in our system. With the upcoming construction to water & sewer lines there may be a need to contact you regarding your home or services. [This information will not be shared.](#)

You can update your contact info the following ways:

By Phone: (906)774-3526 x. 1

By Email: officeclerk@kingsfordmi.gov

[Tap or Click to Update Your Contact Information Using our Google Form!](#)

2022 Water Quality Report

The 2022 Water Quality Report for the City of Kingsford can be found on our website.

[Tap or Click to view the 2022 Water Quality Report](#)

Utility Billing Info:

Utility Bills are mailed out the 5th of each month and due by the 25th of the month.

Payments can be brought in, placed in the drop-box and made by check, card or via ACH.

[Tap or Click to Pay Your Utility Bill Online!](#)

Park/Pavilion Rentals

January is reserved for Kingsford Resident requests only. Non-resident reservation requests will be accepted beginning February 1st each calendar year.

The fees for renting the pavilions are as follows:

Kingsford Resident: No Charge
Dickinson County Resident: \$50.00
All Other Non-Resident: \$75.00

Fees are non-refundable and proof of residency is required

You can pick up an application at the City Hall.

[Tap or Click to Fill Out an Application Online!](#)



Council & Committee Meeting Times

[Kingsford City Council](#)

1st & 3rd Monday of the Month**

6:30pm

[Kingsford Planning Commission](#)

4th Monday of the Month**

6:30pm

[Citizen's Advisory, Parks & Recreation, Decorating Committee](#)

2nd Tuesday of January, March, May, July, September & November**

6:30pm

**If the meeting date is a holiday, the meeting will be moved to the following day. Meetings are subject to change so be sure to check the calendar on our website!

City Improvements

LoDal Park received new playground equipment and Ford Park will too! New Banners will be installed throughout the City!

VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO STAY UP-TO-DATE!