



# Hopkins Highlights

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## Kick-Off to Summer Safety

Saturday, May 18, 10 a.m.–1 p.m. @ Fire Department, 101 17th Avenue S

Is your family ready for summer? Come to this FREE event featuring ice cream and prize giveaways, including bikes, locks, helmets, life jackets, car seats and more.

Bring the whole family to learn about water, bike, fire and internet safety. Bike helmets will be available for purchase for only \$10. You can also make an appointment to have your child seat installed and inspected. Call 952-548-6407 to reserve a time slot.

*This event is brought to you by the Hopkins Police and Fire Departments in partnership with Hopkins/Minnetonka Park & Recreation and Minnesota Safe Kids Coalition.*



## Apply For Summer Recreation Jobs

Applications are now being accepted for Kids' Corner Leaders, Lifeguards and Park Adventure (playgrounds) Leaders, which offer valuable experience and training in a fun atmosphere. To apply online, visit [eminnetonka.com/employment](http://eminnetonka.com/employment).

## Pine Tar Academy Baseball Camp

Monday-Thursday, June 17-20

Grades 3-6, 9-11:30 a.m. at Big Willow Baseball Fields

All aspects of the game will be covered including hitting, infield, outfield, throwing, pitching and base running. \$139. Course number 3150202-01.

## Tour the Water Treatment Plant



The Hopkins Public Works invites the community to tour the water treatment plant at 1498 7th Street N on Saturday, June 8, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Come learn about where your tap water comes from and experience operating heavy equipment using a simulator. Hot dogs and chips will be provided. Be sure to visit the petting zoo while you're there!

## Yard Waste Reminders

FOR HOPKINS GARBAGE CUSTOMERS

### Drop-Off Site Now Open

The free yard waste and brush drop off site located at 3100 Hopkins Crossroad is now open. Hours of operation are Mondays and Wednesdays, 2 to 7 p.m., and Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For details visit [www.hopkinsmn.com/599/Drop-Off-Site](http://www.hopkinsmn.com/599/Drop-Off-Site).

### Yard Waste Pick-Up

Free yard waste pick-up ends May 2. After May 2, you must call 952-939-1382 by 2 p.m. on Wednesday to schedule a pick-up for Thursday. Yard waste stickers must be affixed to each bag and be visible to the drivers (make sure they face the street or alley) after the free pick up period. Find more information and purchase yard waste stickers on our website at [www.hopkinsmn.com/651/Leaf-Yard-Waste-Pick-Up](http://www.hopkinsmn.com/651/Leaf-Yard-Waste-Pick-Up).

May Day on Main is May 4

Don't miss the third annual May Day on Main at the Hopkins Center for the Arts!



Beginning at 4 p.m., enjoy a free street festival with live music, food trucks, sidewalk activities, games and more.

The Del McCoury Band will take the stage inside the Hopkins Center for the Arts at 7:30 p.m.

To purchase tickets, call 952-979-1111 or visit [www.HopkinsArtsCenter.com](http://www.HopkinsArtsCenter.com).

## Park Adventures (Playground Program) — FREE!

Don't miss the opportunity to enroll your child in a free summer playground program for ages 6–12. Programs run weekdays from June 10 to July 23, with morning and afternoon sessions.

Programs are filling fast. To register, call 952-939-8203 or visit us online at [www.eminnetonka.com/register](http://www.eminnetonka.com/register).

## 2018 Drinking Water Report

The City of Hopkins has issued the results of monitoring done on its drinking water for the period from January 1 to December 31, 2018. The purpose of this report is to advance consumers' understanding of drinking water and heighten awareness of the need to protect precious water resources.

View the full 2018 Drinking Water Report at [www.hopkinsmn.com/500/Water-Quality](http://www.hopkinsmn.com/500/Water-Quality).



## Upcoming at the City

City Hall Services have moved to the Hopkins Fire Station. All City Council, Board and Commission meetings will be located at the Fire Station.

### City Offices Closed

**Monday, May 27**  
Memorial Day

### City Council Calendar

**Tuesday, May 7, 7:05 p.m.**  
Meeting

**Tuesday, May 14, 6:30 p.m.**  
Work Session

**Tuesday, May 21, 7 p.m.**  
Meeting

**Tuesday, June 4, 7:05 p.m.**  
Meeting

Find agendas and minutes at [www.hopkinsmn.com/343/City-Council](http://www.hopkinsmn.com/343/City-Council).

### Boards and Commissions Calendar

**Tuesday, May 7, 7 p.m.**  
Housing and Redevelopment Authority

**Monday, May 20, 6:30 p.m.**  
Park Board

**Tuesday, May 28, 6:30 p.m.**  
Planning and Zoning Commission

**Tuesday, June 4, 7 p.m.**  
Housing and Redevelopment Authority

Find agendas and minutes at [www.hopkinsmn.com/346/Boards-Commissions](http://www.hopkinsmn.com/346/Boards-Commissions).

### Meeting Broadcasts

Meetings will not be broadcast while City Hall is being renovated.

### Elected Officials

**Mayor**  
Jason Gadd

**City Council**  
Rick Brausen  
Kristi Halverson  
Brian Hunke  
Aaron Kuznia

## Get Rid Of It!

### Household Hazardous Waste

Drop-off your household hazardous waste and materials at the Hennepin County collection event in Minnetonka on **May 10–11**. Bring items to the Minnetonka Public Works parking lot (11522 Minnetonka Blvd.) between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. during the collection period.

For more information, additional drop-off dates, and a list of items that are accepted, visit [www.hennepin.us/residents/recycling-hazardous-waste/collection-events](http://www.hennepin.us/residents/recycling-hazardous-waste/collection-events)

### Medicine Disposal

Storing unused medicines in the home poses safety and health threats. Prescription drug abuse is a growing problem. Medicines flushed down the drain or disposed of in the trash can contaminate bodies of water, harm wildlife, and end up in drinking water supplies.

**Residents can safely dispose of unused medicines at medicine drop boxes located throughout the metro area.** For more information, including drop box locations and hours, go to [www.hennepin.us/medicine](http://www.hennepin.us/medicine) or call Hennepin County at 612-348-3777.



### Take Note: Garbage and Recycling Schedule

Garbage and recycling collection for the week of May 27 will be delayed one day due to Memorial Day.

**May recycling pick up weeks are April 29–May 2, May 13–16 and May 28–31.**

## Yard Maintenance Reminders

As the weather turns warm and things begin to grow again, please remember to keep your yard well-maintained. Here are some tips and ordinance reminders as you work outdoors.

### Check the Date Before Watering Your Lawn

**To ensure there is enough water for all uses, including firefighting, residents and businesses are required to water on an odd/even system.** If your address ends with an odd number, you can water on odd-numbered dates (1st, 3rd, etc.). If your address ends in an even number, you can water on even-numbered dates (2nd, 4th, etc.).

Lawn watering is also not allowed between the hours of 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Activities such as play toys, car washing, and hand-watering of flowerbeds are exempt from this policy as long as the activity is attended. Exemptions are also available for private wells and items such as new sod or new seed. Call 952-548-6373 with any questions.

### Tree Trimming

From now until November 1, **ash, elm, and oak trees should not be trimmed.** City staff will not be trimming these types of trees in the boulevard or on public property until after November 1, unless it is an emergency situation (disease, damage, etc.).

### Keep Weeds Under Control

**City ordinance prohibits weeds and tall grass in excess of 10 inches.** This also includes any area of your property that abuts an alley. Don't forget to mow or prune those areas as well. City ordinance states that alleyways need to be kept trimmed back 1 foot off the alley edge and 13 feet above the alley surface. These ordinances are enforced—please be proactive and tend to your property.



### EXPLORE AREA TRAILS

**Hopkins-Minnetonka Senior Bicyclers** meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. Visit [www.andersendennis.com/bike-ski.html](http://www.andersendennis.com/bike-ski.html) for current bike schedule.



### Keep Our Water Clean by Sweeping the Curb

Lawn care, landscaping and pest control practices are major contributors to storm water pollution. Homeowners, not farmers, are the biggest consumers of pesticides and herbicides. The phosphorus and nitrogen levels from fertilizers pollute local watersheds, promoting excess weed and algae growth, choking out fish life and reducing water clarity. When mowing the lawn, avoid blowing grass clippings into the street, and sweep clippings off paved surfaces, back onto the lawn.

# **Mainstreet Day**

Arts & Craft Festival

**Saturday,  
May 18, 2019**

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Mainstreet, Downtown Hopkins

**More than 150 food & craft vendors!**

**Live entertainment!**

**Kids activities!**

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