



Hopkins Highlights

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Hilltop Park

When It Snows in Hopkins

REMEMBER THESE RULES AND SAIL SMOOTHLY THROUGH WINTER

1 Move Your Car

To avoid being towed, remove your vehicle from City streets and parking lots as soon as a snow emergency is declared.

Snow emergencies may be declared upon a two-inch snowfall.

Call the Snow Line at 952-939-1399 for snow emergency announcements. To receive a message when a snow emergency is declared, visit www.hopkinsmn.com/255/Emergency-Notification-System to register your phone number for the Rave Emergency Notification System.

During a snow emergency, parking restrictions remain in effect until streets are plowed curb to curb, and the parking lots and parking ramp are completely plowed.

If your vehicle is towed during a snow emergency, call Midwest Recovery and Transport at 612-986-4339 for instructions on where to pick up your vehicle. Vehicles are released only to the registered owners. Owners need to bring proof of ownership (current title or registration card), proof of insurance and driver's license. Payment is accepted by cash (exact change only) or any major credit card. Vehicle pick-up continuously until after day two of the snow emergency. *Note: The City receives no money when cars are towed — all fees go to the towing company.*



2 Shovel The Sidewalk

As mandated by City ordinance, Hopkins residents are responsible for removing snow and ice from public sidewalks within 12 hours of a snowfall. This is necessary for the safety of all who use the sidewalks. Remember, it is against the law for individuals

to plow, shovel, blow or place snow onto streets, alleys and boulevards.

3 Clear The Fire Hydrants

While the City tries to clean snow from fire hydrants as soon as possible after a snow, we could use your help. Please adopt a nearby fire hydrant and keep it clear of snow through the winter. Hydrants should be cleared five feet on each side to give the Fire Department the quickest and best access. 🍷

CALL THE SNOW LINE:
952-939-1399

DID YOU KNOW?

The City of Hopkins has 85 miles of streets and alleys, nine parking lots, eight municipal buildings with parking lots and sidewalks, and many more miles of public sidewalks and trails to maintain. It takes a minimum of seven hours to plow the city after a snowfall, and much more if the snowfall is six inches or greater. The day after a snowfall, efforts are largely dedicated to heavy snow removal from the Central Business District and Blake Road Corridor.

HOW IS A SNOW EMERGENCY CALLED?

The City determines when to call snow emergencies based on a combination of the amount of snow falling and the time of day it falls.

Outdoor Ice Rinks Open December 18

Weather permitting, skating rinks will be open December 18 and will remain open until February 21. Rinks with warming houses are available for your enjoyment at six Hopkins park locations.



Regular Open Hours

- Monday-Thursday: 4:30-9 p.m.
- Friday: 4:30-9:45 p.m.
- Saturday: Noon-9:45 p.m.
- Sunday: Noon-7 p.m.

Call the weather hotline at 952-939-8355 for conditions, closings and updates. **For extended holiday and winter break hours**, please visit www.hopkinsmn.com/400/Ice-Skating-Rinks. 🍷

Rate Increases Take Effect January 1

In order to cover current operating costs and adequately fund capital projects, the City Council adopted rate increases for water, sanitary sewer, refuse and recycling. New rates were also approved for organics recycling. The new refuse, recycling and organics recycling rates will first appear on the utility bills received in January. Water and sanitary sewer rates will first appear on the bill received in February. Storm sewer fees remain the same.

To view the rate increases, visit www.hopkinsmn.com/493/Fees-on-Your-Utility-Bill. 🍷

2022 Parking Permits Now Available

2022 parking permits are now available for purchase online. To purchase a permit or find more information about parking in Downtown Hopkins, visit our website at www.hopkinsmn.com/485/Downtown-Parking. 🍷



Upcoming at the City

City Offices Closed

Friday, December 24
Christmas Eve

Friday, December 31
New Year's Eve

City Council Calendar

Tuesday, December 7, 7:05 p.m.
Meeting

Tuesday, December 14, 6:30 p.m.
Work Session

Tuesday, December 21, 7 p.m.
Meeting

Find agendas and minutes at www.hopkinsmn.com/343/City-Council. Watch City Council meetings live at www.hopkinsmn.com/349/Watch-Meetings-Live-On-Demand.

Boards and Commissions Calendar

Tuesday, December 7, 7 p.m.
Housing and Redevelopment Authority

Monday, December 27, 6:30 p.m.
Park Board

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

Find agendas and minutes at www.hopkinsmn.com/346/Boards-Commissions.

Meeting Broadcasts

Watch City Council and Zoning and Planning Commission meetings live on Cable Channel 16. Meetings are also replayed every day (except Tuesdays) at 7 p.m.; Thursdays at 2 p.m.; and Sundays at 1 p.m.

Elected Officials

Mayor
Jason Gadd

City Council
Alan Beck
Rick Brausen
Kristi Halverson
Brian Hunke

JAMES AND
BARBARA
CLATT

MARY & STEVEN
GILLIS
CHRIS & ADAM

MARGE & SCOTT
NOAH, CYRITA
ZACHARY WEDAN

SUE AND JAY
OLSON
8-15-1992

Holiday Tree Pick-Up is January 10-13

Holiday trees will be picked up curbside, free of charge for Hopkins residential garbage customers the week of January 10. Trees will be picked up on your garbage day, subject to change due to the weather. Lay trees in the boulevard, parallel with the street, and at least five feet from overhead wires, trees, fences, garbage carts and parked cars. Trees must be free of all ornaments, plastic bags and metal. You do not need to call to schedule this service. 🍷

Take Note: Garbage and Recycling Schedule

Garbage will be picked-up Monday through Thursday every week.

Recycling collection will be the weeks of December 6-9 and December 20-23. ♻️

Organics Recycling Class is December 9

Did you know that organics take up about 30 percent of volume in our trash? Properly managing organics is beneficial to the environment and, when recycled correctly, this valuable resource can be used as compost in landscaping projects and construction. Learn the Do's and Don'ts of organics recycling at an information session on Thursday, December 9, from 4 to 5 p.m., at the Hopkins Activity Center. During this training, residents will be able to ask questions, and learn how to divert organics from the waste stream, creating "black gold."

Curbside organics recycling in Hopkins begins January 1, 2022. Sign-up to participate in the program at www.hopkinsmn.com/organicsregistration. Interested residents are also encouraged to take an Organics Recycling Survey at www.surveymonkey.com/r/LRJW7C7. Survey feedback will help the city gauge residential knowledge of how organic waste is being managed in order to improve educational resources in the upcoming months. 🍷

Winter-Spring Recreation Registration

Registration for general winter-spring recreation programs begins Tuesday, December 14, at 8 a.m., with registration for senior programs beginning Thursday, December 16, at 8 a.m. Visit minnetonkamn.gov/register to browse the program options and choose from an array of activities including kids' programs, tennis lessons, craft opportunities and athletic leagues. There is something for everyone! Register online at minnetonkamn.gov/register or call 952-939-8203 (general programs) or 952-939-8393 (senior programs) between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. 🍷

This Winter at the Hopkins Activity Center

PICKLEBALL LESSONS

Tuesdays, December 7 (Beginner), December 14 (Intermediate-Advanced), 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Learn to play the fastest growing sport in the nation. Equipment is provided or bring your own. Class sizes are limited and registration is required. \$9 members, \$10 non-members.

NOON YEAR'S PARTY

Thursday, December 30, at 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Adults 55 and over are invited to attend the Activity Center's Noon Year's Party, in celebration of another year around the sun! We will have lunch, trivia, games, and entertainment by the Minneapolis Aquatennial Senior Singers for you to enjoy while socializing with friends old and new. Reservations required. \$9 members, \$10 non-member.

Register by calling the Activity Center at 952-939-1333 or visiting the program registration site at www.hopkinsmn.com/activitycenter. 🍷

Clock Tower Bricks Make Great Holiday Gifts!

Leave a lasting impression in Clock Tower Plaza with the "Buy A Brick" program. Individuals, families, groups, businesses and organizations can purchase bricks with their names imprinted that will be placed at Clock Tower Plaza off 9th Avenue and Mainstreet. The cost for individual bricks is \$80, \$100 for businesses and organizations, and \$250 for a premier location. Learn more at www.hopkinsmn.com/853/Buy-a-Brick. 🍷