

Hopkins Highlights

September
2014

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In An Emergency, Minutes Count

You don't want emergency vehicles spending those precious minutes looking for your house. The Hopkins Police and Fire departments encourage all residents to have address numbers on their house and garage. Buildings in Hopkins are required to have numbers that are at least 4 inches high and of sufficient size and contrasting color to be readily distinguishable and readable from the public way. Numbers need to be on garages as well so that when there is an incident on the back side of the residence, Police and Fire personnel will be able to identify that address. 🍷

Help Your Dog, Get It Licensed

Licenses are inexpensive, easy to get, and good for your dog. If your dog is lost, a City license helps to locate the owners.

The City of Hopkins requires that your dog have a license as soon as it is six months old. Proof of spaying or neutering, a rabies tag number, and an expiration date of a rabies tag must be shown before a license is issued. Licenses are available at City Hall.



Dogs are also required to be kept under restraint at all times. Dogs running loose can be injured or impounded. This can be expensive, as there are City impound fees and daily boarding fees. Do yourself, your neighbors, and your dog a favor and keep your dog indoors, in a fenced yard, or on a leash. 🍷

Home Fire Safety Program: Free Smoke & Carbon Monoxide Alarms

The Hopkins Fire department is offering a free home safety program to renters and homeowners in Hopkins. Firefighters will come to your home, conduct a free home fire safety survey, provide a wealth of fire and safety information, and provide and install free smoke and carbon monoxide alarms. There are no fines/fees related to the home safety program. To schedule your home fire safety visit, email homefiresafety@hopkinsmn.com or call 952-548-6465. 🍷

Choose To Reuse Coupon Books Are Here



Choose to Reuse coupons offer great deals on quality products while protecting the environment. Coupons are valid August 1 through October 31, 2014. Pick up a free coupon book locally at Hopkins' City Hall, Public Works, Activity Center or Pavilion; The Depot Coffeehouse or the Hennepin County Library. You may also download the free Chinook Book® app on your mobile device. 🍷

Art About Town: ArtStreet Prowl

Saturday, September 13 | 10:30 am

Wear comfortable shoes and meet at the Hopkins Center for the Arts, 1111 Mainstreet.

Explore the Hopkins 2014-15 public art collection with Hopkins artist and resident, Fawzia Khan. There is no fee, but pre-registration is required. Call 952-979-1105 by September 5 to register. 🍷



"High and Dry" by Kyle Fokken

Experience the Upside of AGING

Stay Active At The Hopkins Activity Center

Located at 33 - 14th Ave N in Hopkins. Call 952-939-1333 or email activitycenter@hopkinsmn.com with questions or to register.

Know Before You Throw Antiquing & Collectibles

Wednesday, September 10, 9:30 am
Members free; others \$2

Do you have any treasures in your attic? Bring your collectibles and Cheryl of Hopkins Antique Mall will help you discover information about your special treasure. Call to register.

Defensive Driving 4-Hour Refresher Class

Tuesday, September 16, noon-4 pm
Members \$18; others \$21

Defensive driving courses for people 55+ years old, taught by Minnesota Safety Council instructor. Maintain a 10%, 3-year discount on auto insurance. Advance registration required. Pre-requisite: 8 hour class.

Free Chair Yoga Demonstration

Wednesday, September 17, 9 am
"Yoga adds years to your life and life to your years."

Chair yoga is designed for all levels of fitness and is a gentle form of yoga. The chair replaces the yoga mat and yoga is practiced sitting in a chair or using the chair for support. Ongoing Chair Yoga classes begin Wednesday, October 1, 9-10 am. Members \$3.50/class; others \$4.50/class.

Ongoing Yoga Exercise Class

Tuesdays, 10:15 am
Members \$3.50/class; others \$4.50/class

Yoga poses designed specifically for the older adult to increase flexibility, improve balance, get stronger and improve posture.

Flu Shot Clinic by MVNA

Tuesday, September 30, 1-3 pm
\$35/flu shot or free to seniors with Medicare Part B. Bring picture ID, Medicare card and insurance card. Flu mist also available. No appointments necessary.



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Refuse and Recycling
Recycle collection is September 8-11 and 22-25.
Refuse collection for the week of Labor Day will take place Tues Sept 2- Fri Sept 5. Refuse collection for the remainder of September will take place Monday-Thursday as usual.

Report a Pothole
Visit the City website and click "Report a Pothole" in the Quick Links box or call Public Works at 952-939-1382.

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Upcoming Meetings

City Council Calendar

Tuesday, September 9, 6:30 pm
Work Session

Tuesday, September 16, 7 pm
Meeting

Tuesday, October 7, 7 pm
Meeting

Agendas and minutes can be found at www.hopkinsmn.com/council/meetings/. Watch City Council meetings live: www.hopkinsmn.com/council/video/.

Boards and Commissions Calendar

Monday, September 15, 6:30 pm
Park Board

Tuesday, September 30, 6:30 pm
Zoning and Planning Commission

Tuesday, October 7, 7 pm
Housing and Redevelopment Authority

Agendas and minutes can be found at www.hopkinsmn.com/boards/.

Cable Channel 16

City Council and Zoning and Planning Commission meetings can be seen on cable Channel 16 **live**. Meetings are replayed on Channel 16 at the following days and times:

Every day except Tues - 7 pm
Thurs - 2 pm and Sun - 1 pm

Elected Officials

Mayor
Eugene Maxwell
(952-935-5270)

City Council
Molly Cummings
Jason Gadd
Kristi Halverson
Cheryl Youakim

Free Fall Brush Pick-Up

The City will be picking up brush free of charge for residential refuse customers the same day as your garbage day the week of October 13. No call in is required for the free pick-up. Please call 952-939-1382 with any questions about this pick up.

Fire Department Open House

Saturday, October 11 | 10 am-2 pm
Join the Hopkins Fire Department for fun activities, free items and free food.



Free Brush And Yard Waste Drop-Off

The free brush and yard waste drop-off site at 3100 Hopkins Crossroad will be open regular hours (Mon & Wed 2 pm-7 pm and Sat 9 am-3 pm) through the end of October. During November the free brush and yard waste drop-off site will be open Mondays and Wednesdays from 1 pm until 5 pm and Saturdays 9 am to 3 pm (weather permitting). The drop-off site is for use by City of Hopkins residential refuse customers only. Please check the City website for change notifications at www.hopkinsmn.com/home/yard/waste/drop-off.php.

Brush must not be longer than 15 feet and no larger than 6 inches in diameter.

- Unacceptable Items:**
- Vegetable garden products (place unused produce in refuse container)
 - Animal feces
 - Sod
 - Stump grindings or wood chips
 - Logs
 - Dirt
 - Lumber

Get Rid Of Your Bulk Items October 3-4

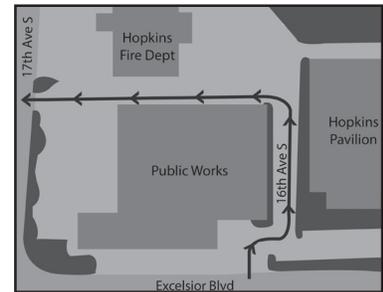
Twice a year the City offers a bulk drop-off service for Hopkins **residential refuse customers only**. A valid Minnesota ID/current paid utility bill must be shown for eligibility.

October 3: 3-7 pm, **October 4:** 9 am-4 pm
Drop-Off Site: 11100 Excelsior Blvd (Public Works)

Each eligible residence is allowed disposal of **3 cubic yards of material**, equivalent of one pick-up truck load.

Guidelines

- **\$10 fee per vehicle depositing material at drop-off site. \$20 fee for each recyclable appliance.** Fees will be placed on your utility bill.
- Residents must separate recyclable materials into the proper areas at the site. Construction and metal materials and appliances will be separated/recycled.
- Small engines and lawn mowers must have fluids removed. Caps, drain plugs and wheels must be removed prior to deposit at the drop-off site.
- Electronics and concrete products will be accepted at the drop-off site (concrete products containing steel will not be accepted).
- **Items not accepted include:** tires, waste oil, car parts, fluorescent bulbs, paint products, gas refrigerators, car batteries, metal barrels/drums and hazardous waste.
- Hazardous waste must be taken to the Hennepin County Transfer Station. Call 612-348-3777 for more information.



Traffic drop-off route for disposal

Hopkins Farmers' Market



Savor the Hometown Flavor

Come to the farmers market (Saturdays, 7:30 am-noon) and choose from the best harvest available! September brings an array of fruits and vegetables to our market. Join us and enjoy live music, local artisans, fresh flowers, old world breads, sweet treats, locally roasted coffee, raw honey from nearby hives, pickled products, soap and lotion, granola and so much more! Easy parking and access, located just south of the clock tower on 9th.

Buy Local

Buy Local To Keep Our Community Unique



Our one-of-a-kind businesses—where we shop, eat and have fun—are an integral part of the distinctive character of Hopkins. People seek out destinations that offer the sense of being someplace, not just anyplace.