



# KINSTON

NORTH CAROLINA

## NEWSLETTER

*Quarterly Newsletter*

*March 2022*



**READ ABOUT OUR  
TEMPORARY WATER  
DISINFECTANT  
CHANGE ON PG 3.**

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EMPLOYEES**

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**CITY UPDATES**

Read updates about vaccination, utility assistance, community events, energy saving tips and holiday schedule changes!

## COVID-19 TESTING AND VACCINATION CENTERS

StarMed Healthcare, Kinston/Lenoir County Parks, Recreation Dept., and the City of Kinston are partnering to provide COVID-19 tests & vaccinations to EVERYONE 5+

### **Fairfield Recreation Center**

**800 Greenbriar Rd**

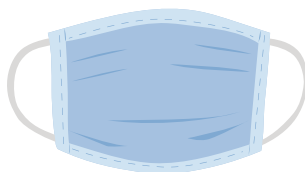
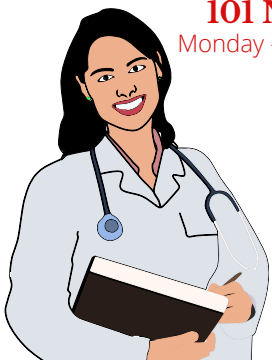
Monday - Thursday 10am-5pm

Friday 10am-4pm

### **Holloway Recreation Center**

**101 N Myrtle Ave**

Monday - Friday 10am-5pm



You can walk in or go to [www.starmed.care](http://www.starmed.care) to register online. No appointment necessary.

For more information please call 252-939-3271.

## RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday, April 5th from 12:30-5:00pm

Located at the Kinston Public Service Complex at  
2360 HWY 258 South.

Please visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter  
KPSC to schedule an appointment.

**WE'RE ALL  
IN THIS  
Together**





BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR  
DOWNTOWN KINSTON'S  
SUMMERFEST SCHEDULE!



WWW.DOWNTOWNKINSTON.COM

## UPCOMING HOLIDAYS

Environmental Services schedule changes are below

### Good Friday

Observed Friday, April 15th

Friday's routes will be collected on Thursday, April 14th.

### Memorial Day

Observed on Monday, May 30th

Monday's route will be collected on Tuesday, May 31st.

For more information, please call our 24hr Customer Service Center at (252)939-3282.

## Spring into savings!

- ↪ Use sunlight to brighten your home instead of artificial light.
- ↪ Grill outside during warmer days to keep the heat outside of your home.
- ↪ Change the direction of your ceiling fan so it rotates counterclockwise & creates a cool breeze.
- ↪ Clean or replace your air filters monthly. Dirty filters can block airflow, causing your system to work harder.



## MEET YOUR CITY EMPLOYEES

*Meet the new employees hired since  
December!*

- Derek Chilson, Fire
- Kevin Grady, Fire
- Brian Rainey, Police
- Walker Hardison, Fire
- Dominique Jackson, Parks & Rec
- Taylor Waller, WWTP
- James Poole, Parks & Rec
- Keneile Mumfere, Purchasing/Warehouse
- Joshua West, Stormwater
- Turon Dunn, Sanitation
- Cassidy Turner, Parks and Rec
- Jonathan Massey, Parks and Rec
- Timothy Lehr, Police
- Stanley Bush, Water Dist.
- Jaime Yanes, Parks and Rec
- Brian Pemberton, Communications
- Jacob Metzдорff, Fire
- Matthew Hepburn, Police
- Naeen Whitfield, Police
- Danielle Sunderland, Police
- Lilly Hardison, Customer Service
- Jeremy Small, Sanitation
- Quentin Mitchell, Sanitation
- Clemmie Sutton, Customer Service Supervisor
- Dino Houlis, Fire
- Jentry Albritton, Parks and Rec

Want to join the City?

Contact our HR Department at 252-939-3118,  
or go online to

[www.governmentjobs.com/careers/kinstonnc](http://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/kinstonnc)



## JOB WELL DONE!

Members of Kinston Police Department were able to obtain Murder Warrants for the suspects in 3 cold cases ranging from 2013-2015. All 3 arrested individuals were placed in jail with no bond.

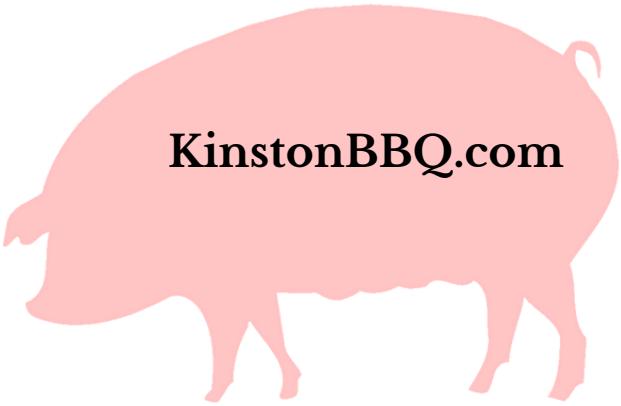


# BBQ FEST ON THE NEUSE!

May 6th & 7th

Niko Moon is playing at the 2022 BBQ Festival!

Get the latest up to date  
information about the BBQ Fest by  
texting 252.294.9227



## New Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP)

LIHWAP is a temporary emergency program that will help eligible low-income households afford water & wastewater services, providing a one-time payment directly to the utility company. For more information on this program & eligibility, visit the LIHWAP website at [www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/socialservices/energyassistance/low-income-household-water-assistance-program-lihwap](http://www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/socialservices/energyassistance/low-income-household-water-assistance-program-lihwap)

## IMPORTANT WATER NOTICE:

Beginning March 7th, 2022 until approximately April 11th, 2022, the City of Kinston will temporarily change the disinfectant used in the water treatment process from chloramines to chlorine. During the temporary switch to free chlorine, customers may notice a slight change in the taste or smell of their tap water. The mild chlorine taste & smell is normal and poses no health risk. People and businesses that normally take special precautions to remove chloramines from tap water, should continue to take the same precautions during the temporary switch.

## ROAD RESURFACING CANDIDATES FOR 2022

Road	Block
Ivy Rd	Greenmead to Candlewood
A St/Mt Vernon/Tyler St	Cleveland to Hwy 258
Linden Ave	Marcella to Greenmead
Stanton Rd	Carey to Michelle
Davis St	University to Shine
Towerhill Rd	Adkin to Pine
Pine St	Towerhill to Hicks



## Down East Wood Ducks

1ST HOME GAME OF THE SEASON



APRIL 12TH AT 7PM



VISIT  
[WWW.MILB.COM/DOWN-EAST/SCHEDULE](http://WWW.MILB.COM/DOWN-EAST/SCHEDULE)  
FOR MORE INFORMATION

A photograph of a park with a body of water, trees, and a building in the background.

## EARTH & SCIENCE DAY

**Neuseway Nature Park**

Saturday, April 16th  
from 12pm - 4pm  
Call (252) 939-3367  
for details.



## CITY COUNCIL UPDATES

The following are some highlights of the City Council meetings from Nov 2021 – March 2022 (see the full minutes at [kinstonnc.gov/AgendaCenter](http://kinstonnc.gov/AgendaCenter)):

- Council approved to permit car wash/detailing in the B-2 Zoning District (Downtown District).
- The City recognized 2 retirees from the City. Michael Spencer and Donald Leland, thank you for your years of service and dedication to the City!
- Approved the pay raise of 3% to 19% increase for full-time City positions. The increase will depend on grade, length of service and experience. Funding will surface from general funds, enterprise funds, and frozen positions.
- BakerTilly was selected as the search and recruitment firm for the City Manager search.



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March 1st  
5:30pm, City Hall

March 15th  
7pm, City Hall

April 5th  
5:30pm, City Hall

April 19th  
7pm, City Hall

May 3rd  
5:30pm, City Hall

May 17th  
7pm, City Hall

*Meetings can also be viewed on the City's Facebook page.*



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