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The 2022 Water Quality Report is available at www.KinstonPublicServices.com under Annual Reports.

SUMMER ENERGY SAVING TIPS

The first day of Summer is June 21st!

- Run ceiling fans counterclockwise. Mild air movement of 1MPH can make you feel 3 to 4 degrees cooler.
- Make sure furniture or drapes do not block your registers for supply & return air.
- Keep the sun out of your house. Close shades, blinds or curtains during the hottest part of the day.
- Replace incandescent bulbs with energy-efficient light-emitting diode (LED) bulbs.
- *Grill outdoors.* Using your electric oven and stovetop creates a lot of indoor heat.
- Do chores such as cleaning, cooking & laundry during the cooler early morning & evening hours to avoid home heat buildup.

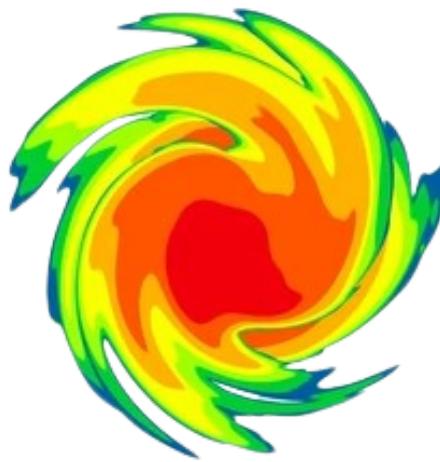


ATLANTIC HURRICANE SEASON

June 1st - November 30th

The time to prepare for a hurricane, is before a hurricane watch is in effect.

- Determine your risk.
- Develop an evacuation plan.
- Assemble disaster supplies.
- Get an insurance checkup.
- Strengthen your home.
- Help your neighbor.
- Complete a written plan.



Atlantic Storm Names for 2023:

- Arlene
- Bret
- Cindy
- Don
- Emily
- Franklin
- Gert
- Harold
- Idalia
- Jose
- Katia
- Lee
- Margot
- Nigel
- Ophelia
- Philippe
- Rina
- Sean
- Tammy
- Vince
- Whitney

Learn more about hurricane preparedness at Noaa.gov/hurricane-prep

UPCOMING EVENT?

Advertise it with the
Kinston Teens Community message board!

Visit www.kinstonteens.org/cmb for more information!

PARKING TICKET FINES

City of Kinston -Effective July 1st,2023

- 1.Overtime Parking.....\$25.00
- 2.Double Parking.....\$25.00
- 3.No Parking Zone.....\$25.00
- 4.Blocking Alley.....\$25.00
- 5.Parked at Fire Hydrant.....\$25.00
- 6.Parked Wrong Side of Street.....\$25.00
- 7.Parked in Fire Lane.....\$25.00
- 8.Handicapped Parking.....\$50.00

NOISE ORDINANCE

City of Kinston -Effective July 1st,2023

Manufacturing/Industrial/Agricultural

Time	Sound Level
AT ALL TIMES	70

Residential or Public Space

Time	Sound Level	<u>Commercial/Business</u>	Time	Sound Level
6am - 11pm	50dB (A)		6am - 11pm	65dB (A)
11pm - 6am	45dB (A)		11pm - 6am	45dB (A)

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday, June 13th from 12:30pm-5:00pm

Tuesday, August 15th from 12:30pm-5:30pm

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

Please visit RedCrossBlood.org & enter KPSC to schedule an appointment.



American Red Cross

**KINSTON'S
BATTLE OF THE BADGES**

AUGUST 19 & 20, 2023

HISTORIC GRAINGER STADIUM

Home of the Wood Ducks





**DONATIONS & SPONSORS:
MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO "BATTLE OF
THE BADGES" C/O SGT. SAM MCLAWHORN**

Come out and watch Kinston Police Department (The reigning champions) battle Lenoir County Sheriff, Kinston Department of Fire and Rescue, NC Wildlife Resources Commission, Sandy Bottom Volunteer Fire and Rescue, Seven Springs Fire Department and City of Washington Fire-Rescue-EMS/police in some family fun softball games. The organizers have chosen two local families that will split 100% of the proceeds.

Tickets are \$10
For more information, please contact Sam McLawhorn at 252.939.3160.

UPCOMING HOLIDAYS

Juneteenth
Observed Monday, June 19th
Monday's route will be collected on Tuesday, June 20th.

Independence Day
Observed on Tuesday, July 4th
Tuesday's route will be collected on Wednesday, July 5th.
For more information, please call our 24hr Customer Service Center at (252)939-3282.

REQUEST A FREE ENERGY AUDIT

for City of Kinston residential customers

An energy audit is an inspection of a residence that focuses on how well your home conserves or maintains energy. This inspection is designed to help customers identify areas of lost energy and to educate them on energy conservation. Traditional Energy Audits consist of our Energy Experts coming inside your home, but we now offer Virtual Energy Audits for those who prefer not to have someone enter their home.

*To request an energy audit:
visit www.kinstonpublicservices.com
or call 252.939.3282*

HOLLOWAY POOL

A ribbon cutting ceremony was held on Saturday, May 20th for the reopening of Kinston's Holloway Pool! Immediately following the ribbon cutting, a swim lesson by the SWIM 1922 group was hosted by Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority of the Zeta Pi Sigma Alumnae Chapter.



IN MEMORIAM



*Retired Captain Thomas Gay
Kinston Department of Fire and Rescue*

It is with deep sadness to announce the passing of retired Captain Thomas Gay. Captain Gay began his career with the city in 1991 and retired in 2019. Captain Gay dedicated his life to protecting the citizens of Kinston, we are sending our condolences to friends and family.

ANNUAL SPRING CLEAN UP

At Kinston Public Services' Annual City Wide Spring Clean Up event, over 2.5 tons of debris was collected!

*1.48 tons of Construction Debris
1.11 tons of Household Garbage
75 tires, and scrap metal*



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Follow Kinston Police Department on Facebook for details about National Night Out to come!



Tuesday, August 1st, 2023

PRESENTED BY   

JUNETEENTH FATHERS DAY FESTIVAL

IT'S A CELEBRATION

HISTORY 

VENDORS 

FOOD 

MUSIC 

SUNDAY, JUNE 18TH AT 3:00PM-7:30PM
AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSIC PARK ON S. QUEEN ST.

The African American Museum & Cultural Center has organized this community festival to include community exhibits, gospel music stars, vendors, storytellers, drummers, dancers, food trucks, "bouncing houses" and much more. The event will feature live performances by Jeryl Gray, Gospel Performing Artist and Unity, Arnechi Renee AND MORE

Interested Vendors Contact
Wletman@mainstreetfamilycare.com
beecheagle@gmail.com

MEET YOUR CITY EMPLOYEES

Meet the new employees hired since March!

- Destiny Wright - Camp Counselor
- Trinity Cahoon- Camp Counselor
- Harrison Hardee - Police Officer
- Kyonna Kelly - Camp Counselor
- Kamarion Uzzle-Graham - Camp Counselor
- Keila Kitchens - Camp Counselor
- Malaysia Mewborn - Sprayground Attendant
- Asher Hoover - Sprayground Attendant
- Edna Moody- Sprayground Attendant
- Lynecia Barrow - Camp Counselor
- Cameron Atkinson - Camp Counselor
- Vivian Almaraz - Planning Administrative Clerk
- Bridger Harris - Lifeguard
- Zachary Rhodes - Maintenance Worker II
- Zachary Alexander - Lifeguard
- Madeline Gilmore - Sprayground Attendant
- Caroline Rocha - Field Supervisor
- Kevin Chirico - Center Assistant
- Jesse Waller - Center Assistant
- Kevin Page - Senior Police Officer
- Ronnie McPhail- Center Assistant
- Anthony McGleen - Center Assistant
- Elizabeth Munoz - Field Supervisor
- Layne Jenkins - Firefighter
- Tyler Holmes - Firefighter
- Randolph Jones - Fire Inspector
- Earlis Waters- Sanitation Worker
- David Gooding- Sanitation Worker
- James Whittington - Center Assistant
- Michael Cannon - Maintenance Worker I
- Betty Brown - SmartGrid Tech
- Karen Byrd- Communications Tech I
- Christopher Turner - Substation & Control Technician
- Terry Simpson - Maintenance Worker I

Want to join the City?

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

www.governmentjobs.com/careers/kinstonnc

CITY COUNCIL UPDATES

The following are some highlights of the City Council meetings from March 2023 – May 2023

(see the full minutes at kinstonnc.gov/AgendaCenter):

- The engineering agreement with Booth & Associates for the Vernon Avenue Pole Replacements - 115kV Transmission Line Project was approved.
- Mayor Pro Tem Hardy recognized the City Clerk and Deputy City Clerk of the City of Kinston in honor of the 54th Annual Professional Municipal Clerks Week.
- Resolution for Membership of the American Flood Coalition was adopted.
- AKC Reunite Adopt a K-9 Grant was accepted by Council.
- The proposal to increase Parking Fines city-wide from \$2.00 to \$25.00 was approved unanimously by Council.
- The Council approved a motion for a Trash Trout to be installed in the Adkin Branch tributary of the Neuse. This is a passive litter tray installed on small creeks to capture trash.

UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
will include public hearing for proposed FY23-24 budget

June 6th
5:30pm, City Hall

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
(Work Session @ 5:30PM)

June 20th
7pm, City Hall

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(Work Session @ 5:30PM)

July 18th
7pm, City Hall

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

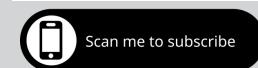
July 31st
5:30pm, City Hall

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

August 15th
7pm, City Hall

(June - August)

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



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Website:
kinstonnc.gov