



NEWSLETTER



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Stay Up to Date!

Summer taxes

Summer Taxes are due Friday, August 15th without a penalty. The final day that payments for taxes (with a penalty) can be received at the Kingsford City Hall is February -28th, 2026. Following this date, you will need to make tax payments at the Dickinson County Court House.

Available Options

We want to remind you of the different options available to you by filling out a form on our website www.kingsfordmi.gov:

- **Emailed Utility Bills** - If you are interested in signing up to receive your Utility Bills by email.
- **ACH Payments** - Sign up to pay your Utility Bills or Tax Bills via ACH. These payments will be deducted from your bank account on the due date and can be stopped at any time.
- **City Updates** - You can sign up for Notify Me to receive notifications for emergencies, job postings, bid openings, meeting notices or events on our website.

Contact Information

Please make sure to call the City Hall at (906)774-3526 or email info@kingsfordmi.gov when your information changes in order to keep our records accurate in the event we need to get a hold of you.

JOIN US!! Ford Park Pavilion Ribbon Cutting!

Thursday, July 3rd at 5:30pm before the Ford Addition Parade!



In 2023, for our 100th year celebration, Rick and Marty Lagina donated \$100,000.00 for upgrades to Ford Park on Woodward Avenue in Kingsford.

Please join us at Ford Park on July 3rd at 5:30pm for a ribbon cutting to commemorate the beautiful new pavilion! We will be handing out hot dogs, bagged chips, drinks and party favors. The Ford Addition Parade will follow starting at 6:30pm.

The neighborhood parade, which started in 1959, will celebrate it's 66th, anniversary this year. All children are welcome to join in the fun! Decorate your bike, wagon, or stroller or dress in costume for Independence Day!

A Kingsford "Ford Addition" Tradition

Written by: Tina Boyce Dillman

In 1959, my mom, Gloria Boyce of 700 Hamilton Avenue, decided to have a neighborhood 4th of July parade on the occasion of her 1 ½ year old son's half-birthday. Since his birthday on January 4th fell in the middle of the cold winter, the 4th of July was a perfect time for an alternative celebration! My mom and her friend, Ann Lagina, made newspaper hats for a handful of neighborhood children who decorated their bikes, rode in festive wagons, or dressed up to walk around the block.

Each year the parade grew as more children joined in, sometimes as many as 75 kids! Gloria asked some of the high school band members to play patriotic music to accompany the marches. The police were happy to lead the parade around the block while parents and grandparents walked alongside, and neighbors enjoyed the show.

For about 20 years Gloria continued the tradition. As child, I remember helping my mom with the handwritten invitations - always a poem about the red, white and blue parade! We collected toilet tissue tubes throughout the year to make into red "firecrackers" filled with taffy. After the parade each child was presented with a vanilla ice cream cone and the candy-filled firecracker. Prizes were awarded for best costumes and bike decorating.

Over the years, other moms have taken over the planning of the parade followed by treats in the park with all the neighbors. The KHS band continues to play, and one year the high school choral group even sang the National Anthem.

This year, 2025 marks the 66th anniversary of the parade. The tradition lives on in Kingsford's Ford Addition!

Assessing/Zoning Dept

General Info



Assessors in Michigan are expected to annually visit 20% of parcels in each class of property. This is a State Tax Commission policy and all Michigan assessors are expected to meet this quota. The goal is to keep assessment data up to date by visiting each property at least once every 5 years. Some examples of data gathered in a field inspection include the dimensions of all buildings, class of construction, story height, and concrete/asphalt square footage. These inspections are critical to developing accurate assessments. Taxpayers can expect a visit from the Assessor if their property was recently purchased, if a building permit was issued, or if their property hasn't been inspected in 5 years. Also, for all your Spring/Summer Projects don't forget to apply for a zoning permit! This goes for all new construction from new houses to small storage sheds. If you have any questions for the assessor, please email assessor@kingsfordmi.gov or call 906-774-3526 ext. 4

Upcoming Elections



- August 5, 2025 - Bay College Millage Proposal
- November 4, 2025 - City Council Election (2 Open Positions)

Permanent Ballot List

If you wish to receive a mailed ballot for each election, you may sign up to be added to the Permanent Ballot List by submitting an Absent Voter Ballot Application either online or by visiting the clerks office in person at the Kingsford City Hall.

Early Voting

Early Voting won't take place for 2025 due to not having any Federal or State ballot initiatives or candidates this year. The only date to vote in person will be on the election dates listed above. Early voting will resume year 2026.

A Glimpse of the Past

Photos of The Ford Park Parade



Photos submitted by: Terese Lagina Fornetti



Photos submitted by: Tina Boyce Dillman

Office Closings/Garbage Schedule Changes

Friday, July 4th

Garbage: No Change (Monday - Thursday)

Monday, September 2nd

Garbage: Tuesday thru Friday

Garbage pick up pushed back one day

Sorry we're
CLOSED

Thursday, November 27th & Friday, November 28th

Garbage: Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday (2 Trucks)

Garbage pick up for Wednesday includes Thursday

Wednesday, December 24th & Thursday, December 25th

Garbage: Monday, Tuesday(2 Trucks) & Friday

Garbage pick up for Tuesday includes Wednesday, Thursday pick up will be picked up Friday

Wednesday, December 31st & Thursday, January 1st

Garbage: Monday, Tuesday(2 Trucks) & Friday

Garbage pick up for Tuesday includes Wednesday, Thursday pick up will be picked up Friday