

Are You Overwatering?

How long to water your lawn

- Each sprinkler measures different water flow rates
- If you know the flow rate use the following to determine watering times:

$$(\text{lawn sq ft}) \times (0.62 \text{ gal}) / (\text{sprinkler flow rate})$$

Don't know the flow rate? Try these:

- Place empty tuna cans around lawn, time how long it takes to measure 1-1.5 inches in each can. Use the average time of all stations
- Checking every 15 minutes, stick a screwdriver in the soil until it reaches 6 inches deep.

HOW LONG TO WATER

DID YOU KNOW?

Lawn Watering Tips

- Your lawn only needs 1-1.5 inches of water per week, either by rain or watering
- You only need to water 1-3 times per week
- An average lawn needs about 20 minutes, 3 times per week
- The best time to water is before 10 am

Water Runoff

How to spot water runoff?

- You will notice water flowing in the gutters around your lawn

How to fix:

- Adjusting your sprinklers
- You could be overwatering and should adjust watering times

DID YOU KNOW?

City of Minden August Newsletter

Bill Paying-Utility bills are due on the 10th of the month. If the 10th falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or City observed holiday, the due date becomes the next business day. If not paid on or before the due date, the bill will incur a penalty charge of 10%. If an account is delinquent, service will be disconnected after 10:00 am on the last **Tuesday** of the month.

Disconnect Fees- If you have been disconnected for non-payment, the following are the applicable fees:

- \$100.00 for Disconnection
- \$100.00 for Reconnection outside regular business hours (in addition to the Disconnect Fee)

Disconnect

Disconnect will take place
Tuesday, August 29, at 10:00 am

Upcoming Events

Kearney County Fair—July 28th-31st

- rockIT—July 28 & 29 (5pm-9pm)
- Cornhole Tournament—July 26 (6pm)
- Community BBQ—July 29 (6:30pm)
- Brandon Hockett—July 29 (6:30pm)
- Mutton Bustin'—July 30 (4pm)
- Kiddie Tractor Pull—July 30 (4pm)



School Begins—August 16th

Labor Day—September 4th—City Hall Closed

- Mondays Garbage Pick-up will be on Sep. 5th
- Mondays Recycle Pick-up will be the following week

New Utility Budget Amounts

The City of Minden has re-evaluated the Utility Bill Budget amounts.

The new budget amounts **BUDGET** will be reflected on this Utility Bill due in August through July 2024. If you have questions about your new budget amount or would like to sign up, please contact City Hall.



Pool Information

Back to School Hours

Aug. 7 th - 13 th	1 pm - 5 pm
Aug. 20 th	1 pm - 5 pm
Aug. 26 th - 27 th	1 pm - 5 pm
Sep. 2 nd - 4 th	1 pm - 5 pm



Special Events

- Aug. 5th Back to School Bash 3pm**
Diving for Coins
Floaty & Pool Noodle Party
- Sep. 4th Last Day**
Puppy Plunge 4 pm - 5 pm



Missing Dog

If your dog has escaped and is missing, here are some ways to see if they have been picked up by MPD:

- Call the non-emergency number at 832-1150 with a description of your dog to alert officers
- Check the Lost and Found Pets website at mindennebraska.org/181/Pets-Lost-Found

The following may help with a quick return of your beloved dog:

- Your dog is licensed with the City and has ID on at all times
- Your dog is microchipped, in case collar is lost or missing



Building Permits



The City would like to remind residents that building permits need to be completed before any projects are started. Please allow a minimum of 2 weeks for permit processing before starting. For a complete list of projects that require building permits please see the building permit application at City Hall (325 N Colorado) or www.mindennebraska.org

Water Restriction Stages

Currently the City is **NOT** restricting water, however if water usage increases to the Water Conservation Stages they are as listed below:

- Stage 1: Water Warning**
Reduce Water Usage by 7% of outdoor watering
- Stage 2: Water Warning**
Reduce Water Usage by 15% of outdoor watering
Staggered Watering and time restrictions
- Stage 3: Water Emergency**
No outdoor watering

Mosquito Prevention

You can help keep the mosquito population down by removing any mosquito habitats. Some ways to help eliminate habitats are as followed: eliminating standing water in gutters, tires, buckets, plastic covers and toys; empty and change water in bird baths, fountains, wading pools, rain barrels and potted plant trays at least once a week. Thank you for doing your part!



Online Utility Payments

Online payments can now be made on our City Website for Utility Bills ONLY.



Please visit mindennebraska.org/320/Online-Utility-Payments for instructions and a link for payments.

Water Line Surveys

Water Line Surveys have been mailed out previously, please return to the City by August 30, 2023. If no response or if you are unsure, the City will be contacting you to schedule an appointment. Surveys can be filled out at City Hall or online at mindennebraska.org/315/Service-Line-Inventory