



Kingman County Commission

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Appraiser's staff will go door-to-door in Bennett Township

Staff from the Kingman County Appraiser's Office will knock on every door in Bennett Township in coming weeks as part of a mandatory property re-inspection. This work will not include the City of Norwich, which was re-inspected in 2015.

The re-inspection is not an appraisal. Its purpose is to verify and update data on file. Staff also will check vacant lots to verify they are still vacant and even verify the use of properties, including agricultural land. The re-inspection should be complete by the end of August.

"This is part of a six-year maintenance cycle," said Appraiser Richard Batchellor. "We have to physically re-inspect every parcel in the county every six years."

A staff member (in a marked county vehicle) will visit every property – business and residential – during business hours (8-5, Monday-Friday). He will ask whether any remodeling has been completed in the past few years, confirm the number of bedrooms and bathrooms and whether there is a basement, finished or unfinished.

"If you've updated a kitchen or bath, we'd like to know," Batchellor said.

Other examples of pertinent changes are additions of structures such as garages, patios or decks, or a change from another system to central heat or air. Fencing and replacement of appliances do not need to be reported.

If no one is present, a door hanger will be left with a postcard for the resident or business owner to complete and return within five days. It is important that the information be returned so that each property is accurately and fairly recorded.

Residents can look up information about their property by going to the county's website, kingmancoks.org. Go to the Appraiser's page and click on "parcel search login" (in list at bottom of page). Next click on "parcel search public," then click "OK." A parcel search can be done in several ways, including property owner's name or property address.

If you have any questions about the re-inspection, please call the Appraiser's Office at (620) 532-5119 or (620) 532-2256.

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