

CITY OF SAINT PETER HOT SHEET



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WHAT HAPPENED TO THE HOT SHEET? – Regular readers of the Hot Sheet know that it almost always appears in your inbox on Wednesdays. So what happened last week when it never went out? We're going to blame the subarctic weather...that's our story and we're sticking to it!

CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS – Action at the City Council meeting held on January 28, 2019 included adoption of a corrected resolution for the 2018 tax levy (no change to the total dollar amount); authorization for re-issuance of the 2018C Healthcare Revenue note that will make the issuance non-taxable and save interest costs; adoption of regulations for vacation rental of single family homes where the owner does not live at the property; and adoption of land use restrictions around a portion of Hallett's Pond to ensure compliance with State of Minnesota DNR grant regulations.

The next regular City Council meeting, will be Monday, February 11th beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Governors' Room of the Community Center.



MAKES ME WONDER (BY CITY ADMINISTRATOR TODD PRAFKE) – A few weeks back..... I was at a Business After Hours event sponsored by the Chamber that was hosted by Arlo and Dawn

Lehtinen at the AmericInn Hotel. Chamber Executive Director Ed and Chamber Ambassador Lisa did a very nice job.

It was really nice event and there was a pretty good turn out too. It reminded me of how we are interconnected and how by sharing experiences, we become more of a community. It was fun to visit and hear what folks have going on in their businesses and their lives. Everyone is busy!

We have an active community and lots of active people. How lucky are we? Nice people, nice

community, great things to do, organizations that care. Very cool.

Name a community activity that you like to take part in with your friends. Send me an email at barbaral@saintpetermn.gov and in a future HOT SHEET I'll share some of the ones that we think are cool. We'll pick one out of the hat and give the sender a small prize. Point of emphasis on small. Be sure and include your telephone number and mailing address in your email.

Will you share your favorite community activity? It makes me wonder.....

OFFICIAL COUNCIL PHOTO – The official Council photo for 2019 is now in the history books....



Front row (l-r), Stephan Grams, Chuck Ziemann, Susie Carlin. Back row (l-r): Jerry Pfeifer, John Kvamme, Roger Parras, Ed Johnson.

HOT SHEET DISTRIBUTION – CHANGES COMING– Effective March 1, 2019, the Hot Sheet will no longer be sent by fax. If you are one of the handful of subscribers who previously received the publication by fax, please provide your email address to barbaral@saintpetermn.gov for inclusion on our email distribution list, or access the

Hot Sheet on the home page of the City's website (www.saintpetermn.gov).

WINTERFEST MEDALLION HUNT

– The Chamber of Commerce's Winterfest activities, including the Winterfest Medallion hunt, is underway! As the medallion is usually hidden on City owned property, we would like to extend our annual words of caution to protect City property.



- The medallion will only be located in an area that is entirely accessible by the public. It won't be behind locked doors, gates, or fences.
- No digging is allowed. The medallion is hidden above ground and no digging anywhere on City property is allowed or necessary. Likewise, you won't have to climb a tree to get it.
- Be respectful of public property and be careful not to damage any facilities or structures as you search for the medallion.

The medallion search is a fun event for everyone so please be careful as you search.



PRESIDENT'S DAY CLOSURES

– All non-emergency City offices, including the Library, will be closed on Monday, February 18th in recognition of the President's Day legal holiday. The Community

Center will be open for normal activities from 6 a.m.–10 p.m. Although the Recreation Office will be closed in observance of President's Day, Noon-Hour Basketball and Adult Volleyball will still take place. There will also be Open Gym from 2-5 p.m. and weather permitting; the warming house at Veteran's Memorial Park will be open from 1–9 p.m.

UPCOMING RECREATION EVENTS – The Recreation and Leisure Services Department invites Saint Peter residents to join them for the following events:

- Book Signing with author Jill Kalz: *The Winter Bees* - Local author, Jill Kalz, author of *The Winter Bees*, will present her new book at a special program during the annual Chamber of Commerce Winterfest. This program is a collaboration of the Senior Center, Saint Peter Public Library, Saint Peter Reads and the Chamber. Thursday, February 7th, 7:00 pm, SPCC Rm. 219, free.

- Jewels of Wisdom - Julee Johnson, owner of locally owned Julee's Jewelry, will present information about how to protect and care for jewelry, appraisals, buying and selling, and how to plan for heir distribution and estate sales. She will also share highlights of her diamond buying trips to Belgium. *Rescheduled from Nov. 12th.* Pre-register with the Recreation Department, 934-0667. *Julee Johnson, Worldwide Diamond and Gemstone Importer and owner of Julee's Jewelry Monday, February 11th, 11:15 a.m., SPCC 217, free.*

CURBIE PLACEMENT - Winter is a great time to live in Minnesota, but sometimes we forget about its' little inconveniences. Take for instance, your refuse curbie.

As winter snow piles up on the boulevards, there doesn't seem to be a good place to place your curbie on trash day, unless that is, you've shoveled out a spot for it at the curb. Unfortunately some residents aren't taking the time to do so and curbies are once more being placed in the roadway, or worse yet...piled on top of the snow piles at dangerous angles. This creates its own danger for everyone that walks by, including children!

Please remember that curbies are to be placed on the boulevard (NOT IN THE STREET) on trash day. Placing the containers in the street creates a danger not only for drivers, but for those on foot as well as they are forced to go further into the driving lane to get around the refuse container.

With just a little bit of snow so far this winter, now is a great time to get into the habit of shoveling out a spot for both your regular and recycling curbies. Please help keep everyone safe by doing so.

LOOKING AHEAD TO SUMMER - It's not too early to plan for your spring or summer family reunion/event, company picnic, graduation party, wedding or groom's dinner at one of our local park shelters. Shelters are available Gorman Park, Gault Park, and Riverside Park (Mill Pond). If you are interested in reserving a shelter, please visit the City website at www.saintpetermn.gov and go to "Facility Availability". Follow the instructions to find out when the park shelter is available. (Note that if the month you are checking doesn't show up on the page that means no reservations have been made.)

Once you select a date and time contact the Recreation and Leisure Services Department to finalize your reservation of the facility; call 934-0667 or email the office at jenh@saintpetermn.gov.

***PLEASE NOTE....the Minnesota Square Park Pavilion, which is slated for demolition and eventual reconstruction, may only be available on a limited

basis this summer. Please contact the Recreation and Leisure Services Department directly for more information if you wish to use this facility.

SIDEWALK CLEARANCE REMINDERS – More snow is on the way so here's another reminder of the need to clear those sidewalks!

City regulations require sidewalks to be cleared the entire width within 24 hours of snow ending. This also includes keeping the sidewalk clear of blowing snow and ice.

It's a hefty charge (minimum of \$75) if City crews come out and do the work for you so, and certainly the Public Works crews have other things to take care of than shoveling sidewalks, so please make arrangements to get those walkways and handicap sidewalk corners shoveled!



HELP WANTED – SEASONAL POSITIONS – The City of Saint Peter is now accepting applications for seasonal positions for the 2019 summer season. **Applications are available on the City's website at www.saintpetermn.gov or at the City Administrator's office from 8:00 am – Noon and 1:00 – 5 pm, 227 S. Front Street, or by calling 507-934-0663.** Completed applications must be received by the City Administrator's office by 5:00 pm on Friday, March 15, 2019. Faxed, emailed, and/or late applications will not be accepted.

A condition of employment shall be successful completion of a background investigation, and successful completion of pre-employment drug test. Employees will be subject to post-accident, random, reasonable suspicion, return to duty, and follow-up drug and alcohol testing. Must be at least 16 years of age for Recreation and Leisure Services positions; 15 years of age for aquatics positions and 18 years of age for Public Works positions. The following seasonal positions are available:

- **PUBLIC WORKS SEASONAL LABORER:** Duties include a variety of manual labor tasks associated with the care, maintenance, and cleaning of City facilities and equipment including, but not limited to, painting, washing, mowing, weeding, digging, cleaning and organizing; planting, trimming, and removal of

trees and shrubs and mowing and trimming facilities. 40 hours/week. Applicants must possess a minimum valid Class C or D driver's license. Must pass pre-employment drug test; subject to post-accident, random, reasonable suspicion, return to duty, and follow-up drug and alcohol testing required by federal regulations. Starting wage \$10.25/hour. Minimum age: 18.

- **RECREATION COORDINATOR:** Train and supervise staff, organize and implement summer programs. Leadership and supervisory experience with recreation activities required. Need strong organizational, motivational, planning and leadership skills. 35–40 hours/week. Mid May–End of August. Starting wage: \$11.25/hour.
- **SUMMER CAMP COORDINATOR (Jr. Explorer K-3 and Explore IT! Gr. 4-5):** Train and supervise staff, organize and implement summer programs. Leadership and supervisory experience with recreation activities required. Need strong organizational, motivational, planning and leadership skills. 35–40 hours/week. Mid May–Mid August. Starting wage: \$11.25/hour.
- **LITTLE RASCALS (PRESCHOOL) COORDINATOR:** Train and supervise staff, organize and implement summer programs for 3-5 year old children. Leadership and supervisory experience with recreation activities required. Need strong organizational, motivational, planning and leadership skills. 35–40 hours/week. Mid May–Mid August. Starting wage: \$11.25/hour.
- **VOLUNTEER IN THE PARK COORDINATOR:** Recruit, train, assign and supervise youth volunteers. Strong organizational skills and previous work with youth required. Assist organization and implementation of Exploration Recreation Program. Flexible hours. 30–40 hours/week. May–August. Starting wage: \$11.25/hour
- **RECREATION LEADERS:** Responsibilities include implementing youth summer recreation and sports programs and special events. Previous experience working with youth desired. Strong leadership and organizational skills required. Mid May–mid/mid-August. 35–40 hours/week. Starting wage: \$10.00/hour.
- **HEAD LIFEGUARDS:** Duties include supervision of aquatics personnel, pool patrons, and pool facility. Must have three years of lifeguard experience. Current WSI, LGT, First Aid and CPR certificates required. Strong



leadership background. Minimum age: 18. Starting wage: \$11.50/hour.

- LIFEGUARD/WSI: Duties include teaching swim lessons and supervision of swimmers. Some maintenance. Full, part-time and substitute positions. Current WSI, LGT, First Aid and CPR Certificates required. Starting wage: \$10.65/hour.
- LIFEGUARD (without WSI): Duties include supervision of swimmers and some maintenance. Full, part-time and substitute

positions. Current LGT, First Aid and CPR Certificates required. Minimum age: 15. Starting wage: \$10.25/hour.

- OUTDOOR POOL CASHIER: Duties include collection of pool fees, light bookkeeping, some maintenance and strong public relations skills. Minimum age: 15. Part-time. Starting wage: \$7.65/hour.

CITY MEETING CALENDAR – This calendar is subject to change. Should you have a question on a meeting date/time, please contact the City Administrator’s Office at 934-0663.

Thursday February 7 5:30 p.m. Planning and Zoning Commission

Monday February 11 7:00 p.m. City Council Meeting

Tuesday February 12 6:00 p.m. Library Board

Monday February 18



**LEGAL HOLIDAY – PRESIDENT’S DAY
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Tuesday February 19 5:30 p.m. City Council Workshop

Friday February 22 8:00 a.m. Tourism and Visitors Bureau

Monday February 25 7:00 p.m. City Council Meeting

Tuesday February 26 5:30 p.m. Heritage Preservation Commission

Wednesday February 27 12:30 p.m. Hospital Commission

Thursday February 28 12:00 noon Economic Development Authority

Monday March 4 3:30 p.m. Housing and Redevelopment Authority

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Thursday March 7 5:30 p.m. Planning and Zoning Commission

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Thursday

March 28

12:00 noon

Economic Development Authority

The full calendar of City meetings is available through the calendar section of the homepage of the City's website at www.saintpetermn.gov.