

CITY OF SAINT PETER HOT SHEET



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Reminder....Join City and School District officials for a "Show and Tell" event on the new City park and new High School. The event is tonight (September 9th) from 6-8:00 p.m. at the Senior Center!

CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS – Action taken by the City Council at the regular meeting of August 24, 2015 included approval for execution of a renewal contract with the Minnesota Municipal Utilities Association to provide safety training services for City staff and approval for submission of grant applications to the Department of Transportation Office of Transit for 80% funding for the operational and capital expenses of the City's transit service in 2016.

The next regular meeting of the City Council will be Monday, September 14th at 7:00 p.m. in the Governors' Room of the Community Center. For more information on City Council meetings, please contact the City Administrator's office at 507-934-0663. Copies of the Council packet are also available on the City's website at www.saintpetermn.gov/city.



MAKES ME WONDER (BY CITY ADMINISTRATOR TODD PRAFKE) – Wow! The nights are getting longer faster now. Because of that fact, I have noticed our street lights a lot more than I did in the summer months. It

makes me think about the many lighting improvements we have made and are still making to street lighting around the community. We have changed out many sections of our streetlight system to LED lighting.

While I can't remember the exact number, I can tell you we have made a significant effort in

proliferating LED lighting and it will continue. Much of Highway 169, areas on Broadway Avenue and a number of other areas are now LED and more will come. It is amazing the difference it makes in energy use, but also in a couple of other areas.

I have noticed that the color of the light (a more white with maybe a slight shade of blue) looks truer as compared to the more yellow lighting. Our plan is to change out as we have failures in segments of the system, so it won't all get done at one time, but rather as age and failure take their toll.

LED lighting saves us energy, but where it impacts us more is on the maintenance side of the equation. While right now they cost a little bit more to put in, the bulbs last up to four or five times longer than traditional bulbs. That means fewer outages and fewer fixes and bulb replacements which saves time and money. Energy and maintenance cost saving seems like a win/win.

If you notice a streetlight that isn't working please give us a call at the Public Works Department at 934-0670 and we will get out to fix it. Depending on the reason for the failure, it can take a couple of weeks to get it up and running.

And don't forget we still have rebates for energy saving bulbs and fixtures for homes and businesses. To find out more about that you can surf the web at www.SaveEnergyInSaintPeter.com. We have provided thousands of dollars in rebates for lighting over the past couple of years.

Do you notice the difference in the color of the light from our streetlights when we switch to LEDs? It makes me wonder.....

ST. PETER AREA BOOMERS AND BEYOND EXPO -

Everyone is welcome to attend the Boomers and Beyond Expo on Thursday, September 17th at the Saint Peter Community Center. Over 30 organizations and businesses will be sharing information at tables in the gym. Flu shots will be available (bring your insurance card) as well as health screenings, relaxing chair massages, refreshments and door prizes. Enjoy entertainment by Pengra and Arsenault from 2:30-3:30 p.m. in the Senior Center, Room 219.

At 4 p.m. take time to listen to the adventures of Minnesota journalist, author and travel guide Jim Klobuchar, in the Senior Center, Room 219. In 45 years of daily journalism, Jim Klobuchar's commentary and reportage ranged from presidential campaigns to a trash collector's ball. He has written from the floor of a tent in the middle of Alaska, from helicopters, from the summit ridge of the Eiger in the Alps and from the edge of a sand trap. The event is free and open to the public.

This program is made possible with funds provided by the St. Peter Tourism and Visitors Bureau.

NATIONAL LIBRARY CARD MONTH - The most important school supply of all is free and available at the Saint Peter Public Library – a library card! Youth under age 16 just need to come to the library with their parent/guardian to apply for a library card. For those ages 16 and up all that's needed to apply for a library card is an ID with current address or a

piece of mail with your current address. (Application forms are available in Spanish also)

Library cards are free, borrowing materials from the library is free, and materials from the Saint Peter Public Library are FINE FREE! We don't charge overdue fines, but appreciate items returned on time so others can enjoy them.

In addition to an awesome collection of books, the library has DVDs, magazines, audiobooks, free internet, computers, Wi-Fi, meeting/study rooms, game room for kids, author visits, story time and more! Check out the library on the City's website or the Library Facebook page for more information! We hope to see you in the library soon!
www.saintpetermn.gov/library.

PROVIDING ANIMALS WITH SHELTER WALK – The P.A.W.S. Walk is coming soon! If you would like to participate in a super fun time raising money to support shelter animals, this is the event for you. The walk takes place on Saturday, October 24, 2015 beginning at 10:00 a.m. It's a Trick or Treat walk where both PETS and PEOPLE are encouraged to dress up in costume. Walkers and their dogs will stop at several treat stops to collect donated items. But remember, it's a fundraiser and now is the time to start collecting pledges for your walk. Pledge forms are available at City Hall, the Police Department, Kind Veterinary Clinic or on-line at <http://www.saintpetermn.gov/paws>. Hope to see you there!

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 or visit the City's website at www.saintpetermn.gov.

Monday	September 14	7:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting
Tuesday	September 15	5:30 p.m.	Library Board
Monday	September 21	5:30 p.m.	City Council Workshop
Monday	September 21	7:00 p.m.	Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
Thursday	September 24	12:00 noon	Economic Development Authority
Friday	September 25	8:00 a.m.	Tourism and Visitors Bureau
Monday	September 28	7:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting
Tuesday	September 29	5:30 p.m.	Heritage Preservation Commission
Thursday	October 1	5:30 p.m.	Planning and Zoning Commission
Monday	October 5	3:30 p.m.	Housing and Redevelopment Authority
Monday	October 5	5:30 p.m.	City Council Workshop

Tuesday	October 6		CITY OFFICES CLOSED UNTIL 10:30 – STAFF TRAINING
Monday	October 12	7:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting
Tuesday	October 13	5:30 p.m.	Library Board
Monday	October 19	5:30 p.m.	City Council Workshop
Thursday	October 22	12:20 p.m.	Hospital Commission
Friday	October 23	8:00 a.m.	Tourism and Visitors Bureau
Saturday	October 24	10:00 a.m.	P.A.W.S. Walk
Monday	October 26	7:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting
Tuesday	October 27	5:30 p.m.	Heritage Preservation Commission
Wednesday	October 28	12:00 noon	Hospital Commission
Saturday	October 31		HALLOWEEN FUN RUN

