

CITY OF SAINT PETER HOT SHEET



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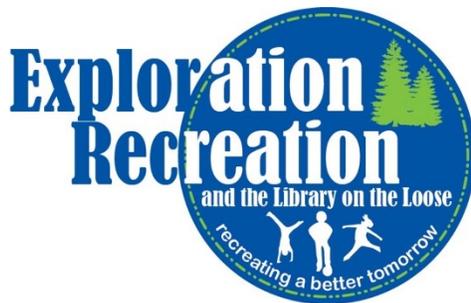
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CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS – Action at the City Council meeting held on May 29, 2019 included corrections to a previous resolution related to sale of bonds for the Minnesota Square Park Pavilion project financing; adoption of an updated policy for Distributed Energy Resources; and approval of a request by the St. Peter Ambassador's for City assistance for the Bluesfest event.

The next regular City Council meeting, will be Monday, June 10th beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Governors' Room of the Community Center.

FREE RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS – The City's Recreation and Leisure Services Department, will be providing FREE recreational programs throughout the entire summer at neighborhood parks. Exploration Recreation staff will set up games, sports, arts, crafts, books and more for youth and teens to enjoy. Staff will arrive and leave at the times listed below and will not be responsible for any children after staff exits the park.



Program dates are June 3-August 16, 2019 and the schedule is as follows:

- Mondays – Gorman Park from 3-4:30 p.m.
- Tuesdays – Gault Park 10-11:30 a.m.; Middle School – 12:30-2:00 p.m.; Jefferson Park – 2:30-4:00 p.m.
- Wednesdays – Roy T. Lindberg Memorial Pool 3-4:30 p.m.
- Thursdays – Ramsey Park 10-11:30 a.m.; Warren Park 12:30-2:00 p.m.; Stones Park 2:30-4:00 p.m.

If you are unfamiliar with the City's park system, you can find the parks using the City's website at <http://www.saintpetermn.gov/parks>.

This program is made possible through a partnership with Community and Family Education (School District #508) and the Arts Center of St. Peter.

ADULT SUMMER READING PROGRAM - The City's Adult Summer Reading Program, a collaboration between the Library and Senior Center, includes a lecture series with the summer reading theme: "A Universe of Stories".

The first lecture is "A Look at What We Know About Our Universe," Take a tour through the universe from the big bang until now. Learn about the sun, our solar system, stars, constellations, clusters of stars, galaxies, clusters of galaxies, and cosmology.

The program will highlight what we know and what we think we know about the beginning of the universe and its evolution to its current state while speculating about life beyond the Earth. Gustavus Adolphus College physics professor Chuck Niederriter is the speaker.

The program is tonight, Wednesday, June 5, from 6:30—8 p.m. in the Library meeting room. The event is provided free of charge.

OUTDOOR POOL INFORMATION - Pool season has officially begun at the City of Saint Peter's Roy T. Lindberg Memorial Pool located at 300 North Fourth Street. The pool offers a variety of fun and exercise including a lap pool with an inflatable Wibit play structure and basketball hoop, a diving well with two low boards and a high board, and a free wading pool for children 6 and under that are accompanied by a responsible supervisor 18 years of age or older.



Here's more information on the various options:

- Open Swim - \$3.00 per time for ages 5 and up (free for kids under 5). Children must be at least 7 years old to be admitted to the main

pool without an adult or a responsible supervisor. Children under 7 must have an adult or supervisor (age 18 or older) in the water and within an arms reach of the child at all times with or without an approved lifejacket. Hours are Mon - Sun 1:00 - 4:15 p.m.; Fridays 1:00 - 6:00 p.m. (Unless make-up swim lessons); Sat – Sun 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

- Family Swim - \$3.00 per time for ages 5 and up. Family Swim is a special time reserved just for families. Children 0—4 admitted free of charge but all youth MUST be accompanied by a paying adult or responsible supervisor (18 years or older). Hours are Mon - Thu 6:15 - 8:15 p.m. and Sat - Sun 4:15 - 6:15 p.m.
- Wading Pool hours are Mon – Sat 10:30 - 8:15 p.m. and Sundays 1:00 - 8:15 p.m.

There are many different affordable opportunities to cool off with us this summer whether it be open swim, family swim, swim lessons, water aerobics, or a private pool rental. The most affordable and best value for the summer is the Family Pool Pass for only \$40 which covers up to 6 family members.



Since the pool is an outdoor complex there are times when weather or other factors may force closure for a few hours or sometimes even the day. The pool will close under the following policy:

- When the outdoor temperature falls below 65°F.
- When lightning is sighted or the weather is threatening. If the pool closes for weather, staff will re-assess conditions at two hour intervals and if weather permits, the pool will re-open. Please check at 3:00, 5:00 and 7:00 p.m.
- The pool may close for the remainder of a scheduled open swim when there are fewer than 15 people in the pool; and finally...
- The pool may close when there is need for maintenance or emergency action or repairs.

For cancellations and closing information residents are asked to sign up for texts from *Remind101” or call the Recreation Hotline number at 934-0070. If the weather situation is questionable, parents are encouraged to make sure the pool is open before dropping children off.

For more information on the City’s outdoor pool completed, please visit the City’s website, at www.saintpetermn.gov, or call the Recreation Office at 507-934-0667.

LAWN MOWING REMINDERS – This year it seemed we went straight from snow shoveling to mowing lawns and already City Hall has received numerous

complaints about properties that are not being properly maintained.

Grass and weeds longer than six inches (6”) in height are a violation of the City’s weed ordinance and must be mowed. If not taken care of, the City will arrange for a contract mower to mow the property at a minimum cost of \$75 per hour for the first two hours and an additional \$30 per hour each hour thereafter.



In addition, residents are asked to be careful when mowing so that grass clippings do not end up in the street. It’s easy to prevent simply by turning the mower around so the discharge chute is aimed back onto the lawn. Grass clippings that wind up in the street eventually enter the City’s storm sewer system and make their way untreated into the Minnesota River contributing to pollution of the waterway.

If you are aware of a problem property that has not been mowed in keeping with the City’s weed ordinance, please contact the Community Service Officer at the Police Department (931-1550).

CURBSIDE COLLECTIONS (APPLIANCES/FURNITURE) –

IF you hoped to take advantage of the City’s curbside collection of unwanted appliances and furniture you missed the deadline to sign up, but lots of folks took advantage of the collection.

Thirty-two customers signed up to dispose of 40 different appliances. Thirty-nine customers signed up to get rid of 68 pieces of furniture.

That’s a whole lot of spring cleaning!

D-DAY PROGRAM – “D-Day! A 75th Anniversary Commemoration of Operation Overlord” is being presented at no cost to the public this Thursday, June 6th (D-Day for those who don’t remember their history) beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Saint peter High School Theater.

Arn Kind, a historical reenactor, will give a program commemorating the 75th anniversary of Operation Overlord, or D-Day, at the Saint Peter High School Theater. Watch history come alive with realistic and colorful portrayal of the people who participated in these events.

This special program is a collaboration of the City’s Recreation and Leisure Services Department, Community and Family Education through School District #508, Nicollet County Historical Society and American Legion Post 37. This project is made possible with money from Minnesota’s Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund and

the people of Minnesota for Library Legacy activities.

ELECTRONICS AND BICYCLE RECYCLING

– The City has also arranged for residents to drop off electronics (for a fee) on Saturday, June 8th, from 9 AM - 1 PM at the Saint Peter Wastewater Treatment Plant – 400 West St. Julien Street. There is no advance registration necessary for this event, but residents will have to bring the item to the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Costs are:



- Monitors up to 20" \$10
- Large Printer/Copier \$25
- LCD monitor \$10
- DVD/VCR/cable box \$5
- LCD/Plasma TV \$20
- Stereo system/home electronics \$5
- TV - 19 or 20 inch \$15
- Appliances \$15
- TV - 25 or 26 inch \$20
- Microwave \$5
- TV - 27 or 36 inch \$25
- Computer tower, components, keyboard, mouse, laptop, cell phones, small electronics, batteries (excluding alkaline), heaters at no charge.



Also at the wastewater plant on the same day, bicycles and bike parts will be collected for refurbishing or recycling by an area non-profit organization. There is no fee for the bike recycling.

LIBRARY BOARD MEETINGS CANCELLED – The Library Board has cancelled their summer meeting and will not reconvene until September 11th. For information on the Library Board, please contact Recreation and Leisure Services Department Director Joey Schugel at 934-0667.

ADVISORY BOARD OPENINGS – The City Council is seeking applicants to serve on the following advisory boards:

- **Tourism and Visitors Bureau** – Meets on the fourth Friday of each month at 8:00 a.m. and members serve three year terms. The board utilizes lodging tax proceeds to market and promote the City as a tourist or convention center.
- **Civil Service Commission** – The Commission meets at 7:30 in the morning

on an as needed basis to service all Police personnel needs including, but not limited to, employment, promotions, demotions, discharges, transfers, testing, certifications, lay-offs, resignations and reinstatements by employees of the department as defined in the Rules and Regulations of the Saint Peter Police Civil Service Commission. Terms on the commission are three years.

- **Housing and Redevelopment Authority** - Created for the purpose of operating and maintaining public housing in Saint Peter (Park View Manor). Board meetings are on the first Monday of each month at 3:30 p.m. and terms for these appointments are five years in length.

If you are interested in applying for one of these positions, applications are available from the City Administrator's Office (227 South Front Street), by calling (507)934-0663 or by email request to barbaral@saintpetermn.gov.

Applicants must reside within the corporate limits of the City of Saint Peter to be eligible for appointment to a City Council advisory board or commission.

HELP WANTED – The City of Saint Peter is now accepting applications for the following positions:

- **LIFEGUARDS** - Recruitment for the positions of Head Lifeguard, Lifeguard with WSI and Lifeguard without WSI is being reopened. Applications are available from the City Administrator's Office at City Hall (227 South Front Street), or by calling 507-934-0663 or by email barbaral@saintpetermn.gov. Deadline for receipt of applications by the City Administrator's Office is 5:00 p.m. on June 12, 2019. AA/EOE For more information on these positions please see <http://www.saintpetermn.gov/employment>.

- **ELECTRIC SUPERINTENDENT** - in the Department of Public Works. Responsibilities include but are not limited to planning, coordinating, directing, and monitoring the operation of the Electric Utility; planning and supervising construction of the electrical generation and distribution system; setting priorities to deal with emergencies; coordinating activities with other divisions, departments, and organizations; assisting with planning, design, and construction of projects; evaluate need for and prepare specifications for materials and equipment; maintain operating records; prepare specifications for electric utility



services, equipment, and materials; prepare reports as requested; assist in annual budget preparations; set quality standards for work to be performed; set priorities. Minimum qualifications: high school degree and satisfactory completion of a technical school program for lineman electricians and completion of a recognized apprenticeship in electrical line work, including eight years of responsible experience in electrical distribution systems. An additional five years of experience may be substituted for technical training. Possession of, or ability to obtain, a State of Minnesota Lineman Electrician License issued by the State Board of Electricity. Possession of a valid State of Minnesota Class A Driver's License with air brake endorsement or ability to obtain such within one month of the date of employment with the City. NOTICE: The successful candidate must complete and pass a pre-employment drug test and is subject to post-accident, random, reasonable suspicion, return to duty, and follow-up drug and alcohol testing. Starting salary \$91,120.00 to \$96,320.00 per year. Applicants must complete a City application form available in the City Administrator's Office, 227 South Front Street, Saint Peter, Minnesota 56082-2538 or by calling (507) 931-0663. Completed applications must be received by the City Administrator's Office no later than 5:00 P.M., Wednesday, June 19, 2019. Faxed, e-mailed, or late application will not be accepted.

- **GROUNDSKEEPER** - The City of Saint Peter, Minnesota is currently accepting applications for the position of: Groundskeeper in the Parks Section of the Department of Public Works. Essential job functions include completing tasks

associated with the maintenance, care, and cleaning of city parks and recreational facilities. Minimum qualifications include a high school diploma and one year of experience in the maintenance of parks and recreational facilities, possession of a valid State of Minnesota Class A Driver's License with Air Brake Endorsement and Tanker Endorsement or to obtain within six months of employment with the City; possession of an American Heart Association Certification as a Basic Rescuer for cardiopulmonary resuscitation and emergency cardiac care or obtain within six months. Desirable qualifications: knowledge of materials, methods, and practices used in the maintenance and care of parks recreational facilities; knowledge of the care of plants, trees, and shrubs; knowledge of OSHA regulations and safety precautions; knowledge of equipment and its operation to perform related tasks in parks maintenance. NOTICE: The successful candidate must complete and pass a pre-employment physical and drug test and is subject to post-accident, random, reasonable suspicion, return to duty, and follow-up drug and alcohol testing required by federal regulations. Starting pay \$18.62 per hour. Applicants are required to complete a City of Saint Peter application form available in the City Administrator's Office, 227 South Front Street, Saint Peter, Minnesota 56082-2538 or by calling (507) 934-0663. Completed applications must be received by the City Administrator's Office no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 12, 2019. Faxed, e-mailed, or late applications will not be accepted. Interviews will be conducted Thursday, June 27, 2019.

CITY MEETING CALENDAR – For questions on meeting dates/times, please contact the City Administrator's Office at 934-0663. Full calendar available at www.saintpetermn.gov.

Monday	June 3	3:30 p.m.	Housing and Redevelopment Authority
Monday	June 3	7:00 p.m.	City Council Workshop session
Thursday	June 6		CURBSIDE FURNITURE AND APPLIANCE COLLECTION
Thursday	June 6	5:30 p.m.	Planning and Zoning Commission
Monday	June 10	7:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting
Monday	June 17	5:30 p.m.	City Council Workshop
Monday	June 24	7:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting

Tuesday	June 25	5:30 p.m.	Heritage Preservation Commission
Wednesday	June 26	12:30 p.m.	Hospital Commission
Thursday	June 27	12:00 noon	Economic Development Authority
Friday	June 28	8:00 a.m.	Tourism and Visitors Bureau