

CITY OF SAINT PETER HOT SHEET



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MAKES ME WONDER (BY CITY ADMINISTRATOR TODD PRAFKE – Hello..

knock....knock...knock. Are you out there? We need your help. I need your help.

As the City moves into a new year, there are tons of things that we hope you will want to and should know about.

Let's talk about the HOT SHEET for a few lines. The HOT SHEET is emailed out, it is broadcast faxed, and it is re-sent by people at GAC and at the Chamber. Many businesses print it out and lay it out in break rooms. You can pick it up on tables at the Community Center and Library and it is a standard on our website.

The HOT SHEET is one of the cornerstones of our (the City's) information provision to the community. I want to know what you think about it. Is it a good way to communicate with you? Is it?

Do you have a better idea of how we can communicate with you? Maybe you want to see more things about the City on SPPA (public cable access). Maybe you want to see "shorts" on "You Tube". Maybe you like us on FACEBOOK and want more there on my Video Blog.

We provide workshop and Council meeting packet information on our website. Is that something you will really use or is it just another task that costs us time and resources? Maybe every month with your utility bill you want to see more information about activities of the Council and less about community events? I would love to know what you think.

What can we do to let you know what's going on with your city? Here is another idea... invite us to come talk at your club or organization meeting or get together.

How can we communicate City information to you in a way that works for you??? It makes me wonder....

TELEPHONE SOLICITATION WARNING – The Saint Peter Police Department has received numerous complaints from citizens who are receiving calls seeking donations. The calls apparently come in on a line that has "POLICE DEPARTMENT" as the caller ID. (City lines all say "SAINT PETER CITY.." as the caller ID.)

We aren't sure who these solicitors are, or whether it is a scam or not, but the Saint Peter Police Department does not hire anyone to solicit funds on our behalf. Please do not donate to anyone purporting to represent the Saint Peter Police Department or "your local police department". These calls are being made by telemarketer's seeking donations for other types of organizations, usually unions.

And never feel obligated to provide your credit card number to someone calling over the phone. If it is a legitimate charity, they will be happy to provide you with mailed information through which you can make your donation.

PETS OF THE WEEK –

This week the Saint Peter animal pound is trying to find a home for a very special puppy.....Ava.

Due to a spinal deformity she hops on her back legs as she walks and will not be able to hunt or do a lot of running. She gets around very well, even with steps, but she will need an indoor home that can supply plenty of love, soft blankets, and a warm place to curl up. She is available for adoption for \$200.

You can see Ava in motion by visiting the Kind Veterinary Clinic Facebook page and clicking on



the video.
(<https://www.facebook.com/kindveterinaryclinic#!/pages/Kind-Veterinary-Clinic/215328125173408>)

If you are a very special family that can provide a forever home to this adorable puppy, or if you can help any of the animals in the pound find a forever home, please contact Community Service Officer Janet Thompson at the Police Department at 931-1550, or Alaina at Kind Veterinary Clinic at 931-4700. All animals are spayed/neutered and up-to-date on vaccinations before being adopted out.

HOUSE FOR SALE - The City of Saint Peter is selling the residential structure located at 1724 North Fifth Street on the State of Minnesota Department of Administration surplus property website. The home needs to be removed from the site to allow for the construction of a new City street being built to connect North Fifth Street to the extended North Washington Avenue which will be under construction in 2014. The terms of sale and a description of the home are available at www.minnbid.org.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES - The City Council is seeking interested Saint Peter residents who are willing to serve on a City Council advisory board or commission. Openings currently exist on the following boards:

- Civil Service Commission
- Heritage Preservation Commission
- Human Rights Commission
- Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
- Tourism and Visitors Bureau

Qualified candidates must live within the corporate limits of Saint Peter and must commit to attending

the monthly meetings of the board. Most terms are three years in length.

If you are interested in being considered for appointment to an advisory board, please contact the City Administrator's office at 934-0663 or by e-mail at barbaral@saintpetermn.gov for an application. An application card must be completed to be considered.

WARMING HOUSE OPEN – THE Veteran's Park warming house is open for the winter. Hours during weekdays when there is school will be 4-9 p.m. When school is not in session the warming house will be open from 1 – 9 p.m. Saturday hours are 10 a.m. – 9 p.m. and Sunday the warming house is open from 1 – 9 p.m.

However, before you head out to the rink with this week's super cold temps, please call the Recreation Hotline at 934-0070; go to the City's Facebook page or the City's website to make sure the rink hasn't been closed due to the extreme cold.

RENTAL INSPECTIONS – It's that time of year....the time to think about renewing rental licenses. During even years (2014) rental property owners with last names beginning with A-L need rental applications completed, fees paid and properties inspected. The rental application must be received by the Building Department at City Hall by December 31st of this year and the rental inspection must be completed by March 31, 2014.

Rental applications are available on the City's website at www.saintpetermn.gov. The applications can be printed out and returned to the Building Department along with the required fee.

Questions about rental licensing? Please call the Building Department at (507)934-0662.

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	January 13	5:00 p.m.	Human Rights Commission
Monday	January 13	7:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting
Tuesday	January 14	6:00 p.m.	Library Board Meeting
Monday	January 20		LEGAL HOLIDAY – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day City Offices Closed

Tuesday	January 21	5:30 p.m.	City Council Workshop
Thursday	January 23	12:00 noon	Economic Development Authority
Friday	January 24	8:00 a.m.	Tourism and Visitors Bureau
Monday	January 27	7:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting
Tuesday	January 28	5:30 p.m.	Heritage Preservation Commission
Wednesday	January 29	12:00 noon	Hospital Commission