CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS – Action at the City Council meeting held on February 26, 2018 included adoption of the 2018 Stormwater Fund budget; approval for a parade as part of the St. Patrick’s Day festivities; approval to renew an agricultural land lease for City owned land with Annexstad; modification to the wage scales for seasonal positions; approval for preliminary engineering work for a project to improve North Third Street from Broadway Avenue to West Chatham Street; authorization to submit a variance request to the State of Minnesota for additional funding related to the Washington Avenue Link Project; acceptance of a donated sound system from the St. Peter Baseball Association for use at Veteran’s Field; a closed session and subsequent action to approve the 2018 Communications Technicians union contract.

The next regular City Council meeting will be March 12, 2018 beginning 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.

SIDEWALK CLEARANCE – Winter is not done with us yet and after this week’s heavy snowfall, here’s another reminder to Saint Peter property owners to keep sidewalks clear of snow, ice and blowback/drifting snow.

If the sidewalk is not cleared within 24 hours of a snowfall or ice event, City crews may be dispatched to do the work with a minimum charge to the property owner of $75!

TORNADO ANNIVERSARY COMMUNITY EVENT – March 29, 2018 is the 20th anniversary of the tornado that struck Saint Peter and Comfrey.

The City has been working with the School District #508, Nicollet County, Gustavus Adolphus College, Saint Peter Chamber of Commerce, and Nicollet County Historical Society to plan a community event for March 29th at the High School beginning at 5:15 p.m. in the St. Peter High School Auditorium. The event will be a time for reflection as we commemorate the 1998 tornado. The program will honor the losses, while also celebrating the resiliency of the community over the last 20 years turning this tragedy to opportunity and expressing gratitude for the heroic efforts of the community to build a stronger St. Peter.

The event will feature retired WCCO news anchor Don Shelby as emcee. #98tornado stpeterchamber.com/tornado

CAT LICENSES – New and renewal cat licenses are now available for purchase. Cats (and dogs) that are old enough to receive a rabies vaccination are required to be licensed by the City. Cat licenses are due on or before April 30, 2018 and costs are as follows:

- Spayed/Neutered $5
- Unaltered $25
- After April 30th Penalty $5 (in addition to license fee)
To apply for/renew a pet’s license, owners must provide a current rabies vaccination certificate signed by a licensed Veterinarian. Licenses are available from the Community Development Department at City Hall (227 South Front Street) during regular office hours.

Even though this is not the dog licensing year, if you have a new dog you are still required to license the dog as soon as it is old enough to be vaccinated for rabies. Costs are the same as the license fees for dogs.

For additional pet licensing questions, please contact us at 934-0661 or by email at cindym@saintpetermn.gov.

HOUSING AUTHORITY MEETING RESCHEDULED – The March 5th Housing and Redevelopment Authority meeting was cancelled because of the winter storm. The meeting has been rescheduled for Monday, March 12th at 3:30 p.m. at Parkview Manor (1010 South Fourth Street).

PET ADOPTION – Spring is the time of year for baby chicks and ducks and rabbits. Sometimes the Easter Bunny even delivers these little pets as Easter surprises. (Those of us of a certain age may remember the local Ben Franklin store selling these pets at Easter time and their fur/feathers were actually died pinks, greens, blues, and other spring colors. Imagine what PETA would do with that scenario today!)

But before you decide that a holiday is a good time to buy a cute little pet for your kids, please remember that those animals grow up and become a lifetime commitment.

If you are in the market for a new family pet, please consider adopting a homeless animal through Providing Animals With Shelter (PAWS) in Saint Peter, or Blue Earth/Nicollet County Humane Society (BENCHS) or Mending Spirits.

There are many, many pets of all shapes, sizes, ages, breeds, and species, that are in need of a “fur”ever home and while they might not be the cute little baby animal you were originally considering, oftentimes these pets will be the best companions your family could ever ask for.

And don’t dismiss the older pets. Older pets make wonderful pets without the hassle of bad habits and potty accidents. You’ll get a calmer pet that still has lots of playfulness and lots of love to give.

ADULT SOFTBALL LEAGUES – The City of Saint Peter’s adult softball leagues are now forming for this year’s play. Returning and new teams are all welcome.

Get your friends, family and colleagues together and play ball! League information and registration forms are available at the Recreation Department in the Community Center. Call 934-0667 or e-mail jenh@saintpetermn.gov at the Recreation Office to request softball information/registration materials.

Two different leagues are being formed:

- **Men’s League–Mondays.** 12-game season. Double elimination tournament to follow end of regular season. Sponsor fee: $300, Team fee: $250. Approximate start date: April 30th.
- **Co-Rec League–Thursdays.** 10-game season. Double elimination tournament to follow end of regular season. Sponsor fee: $275, Team fee: $250. Approximate start date: May 3rd.

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

- **PART-TIME TRANSIT SUPPORT (DISPATCHER) SPECIALIST** – The Transit Support Specialist assists transit users in scheduling use, directing drivers to stops and pick-ups, providing clerical support for Transit Operations and Compliance Managers, operating dispatching software and maintaining reports. Mostly nights and weekends. This position is officed in Le Sueur. Transit Support (Dispatchers) Specialists assist transit users in scheduling use, directing drivers to stops and pick-ups, providing clerical support for Transit Operations and Compliance Managers, and operating dispatching software. **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:** High school diploma or equivalent; demonstrated experience working with the public, demonstrated ability to operate a personal computer, ability to read, write, and speak the English language, ability to answer multi-line phone system. $15.00-$17.49/hour depending on qualifications. Applicants must complete a City application form which is available from the City Administrator’s office, 227 South Front Street or by calling (507)934-0663. Completed applications must be
received by no later than 5:00 p.m., March 8, 2018. Fax ed, emailed and/or late applications will not be accepted. For more information please visit the City’s website at www.saintpetermn.gov/employment. Applications for this position are NOT available other than at City Hall. AA/EOL

• 2018 SEASONAL POSITIONS – Applications are now being accepted for various summer seasonal positions in the Public Works, Recreation and Leisure Services Department and Aquatics programs. Applications for seasonal positions are available from the City Administrator’s Office at City Hall (227 South Front Street), or on the City’s website at http://www.saintpetermn.gov/SeasonalJobApplicationForm2018.pdf. Deadline for receipt of seasonal applications is 5:00 p.m. on March 19th.

Please note that aquatics program candidates must pass pre-employment drug test; be subject to post-accident, random, reasonable suspicion, return to duty, and follow-up drug and alcohol testing required by federal regulations. Also please note that for all seasonal positions a condition of employment shall be successful completion of a background investigation and certain positions are also subject to passage of a pre-employment drug test. Must be at least 16 years of age for Recreation and Leisure Services positions; 15 years of age for aquatics positions and 18 for Public Works positions. The following summer seasonal positions are now open:

- **SPORTS COORDINATOR**: Train and supervise staff, organize and implement summer sports programs. Need strong organizational, motivational, planning and leadership skills. Experience with school age children. 35–40 hours/week. Mid May–mid/end of August. Starting wage: $11.25/hour
- **JR EXPLORER COORDINATOR**: Train, supervise staff, organize and implement summer programs for children completing K–3 grade. 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 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
- **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. End of May–mid/end August. 35–40 hours/week. Starting wage: $10.00/hour
- **PART-TIME 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. End of May–mid/end August. 20–25 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
- **LIFEGUARD/WSI**: Duties include teaching swim lessons and supervision of swimmers. Some maintenance. Full, part-time and substitute positions. Current WSI, LGT, First Aid & CPR Certificates required. Starting wage: $10.65
- **LIFEGUARD (without WSI)**: Duties include supervision of swimmers and some maintenance. Full, part-time and substitute positions. Current LGT, First Aid & CPR Certificates required. Minimum age: 15. Starting wage: $10.25
- **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.
- **PUBLIC WORKS SEASONAL LABORERS**: Duties include maintaining park and streets, assisting Water, Wastewater and Storm water departments including mowing, cleaning, weed control, athletic field preparation and other assigned duties. Starting wage $10.25/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.

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