CITY OF SAINT PETER HOT SHEET

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CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATE OPENS
– The filing period for City offices is now open (through 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 10, 2021).

The following current member terms expire on December 31, 2021:

Charles Zieman Mayor 2 years
Ed Johnson Council Ward I 4 years
Shanon Nowell Council Ward I 4 years
Stephan Grams Council Ward II 4 year

Any person wishing to file for these City offices may do so at the City Administrator’s office in the Municipal Building, 227 South Front Street between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. The filing fee is $50.00.

As of 8:00 a.m. on July 28th the following individuals have filed:

MAYOR – vote for one
Shanon Nowell

COUNCILMEMBER WARD ONE (NORTH)
Ben Ranft

COUNCILMEMBER WARD TWO (SOUTH)
David B. McGuire

Persons with questions regarding filing for City Council positions or the upcoming general election are encouraged to call the City Administrator’s office at 934-0663.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING – The City Council meeting of July 26, 2021 included revisions to the Police Patrol Officer and Detective position descriptions and adoption of Part Two of the City’s Wellhead Protection Plan.

The next regular City Council meeting will be Monday, August 9, 2021 beginning at 7:00 p.m. As a reminder, Council meetings are once again back to in-person only. No virtual participation will be available.

Agendas for all City Council meetings are available on the City’s website (www.saintpetermn.gov) the Friday before the Council meeting.

GOT JUNK? – Do you still have a lot of junk you’d like to dispose of? Residents of Saint Peter now have another opportunity to recycle old electronics, appliances and bicycles at relatively low cost. The collection takes place this Saturday, (July 31st) from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at the City’s wastewater treatment plant at 400 West St. Julien Street. Enter the collection site from the North Swift Street (west) side of the property please.

No registration is necessary and payment can be made at the time of drop-off.

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SUMMER CELEBRATIONS – The City’s Recreation and Police Departments are hosting the sixth annual “Summer Celebration” event at Veteran’s Park on Monday, August 9, 2021 from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.
Gather near the outdoor pool for free swimming, tour
of emergency vehicles, crime prevention tips, inflatables, yummy food, Exploration Recreation activities and a chance to win some great prizes!

River’s Edge Hospital and Clinic is the presenting sponsor for this event.

And don’t forget to mark August 3rd on your calendar. That’s the annual “National Night Out” community event sponsored by the Police Department. From 5-9:00 p.m., a caravan of first responders will travel to nine pre-registered neighborhoods with a goal of neighbors meeting neighbors and working together to prevent crime.

First responders participating this year will be from the Saint Peter Police Department, Saint Peter Fire Department, River’s Edge Hospital Ambulance staffed by Allina, Minnesota State Patrol, and the Nicollet County Attorney’s office.

The City’s Recreation and Leisure Services Department has also provided prizes that will be awarded to three randomly selected neighborhoods.

Both of these events are a great opportunity for families to get out, have some fun, and make new friends. Hope you can join us!

**Hospital Appreciation Picnic** — River’s Edge Hospital has extended an invitation to the Saint Peter community to join Hospital staff at a Community Appreciation Picnic on August 4th from 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. The picnic will be held in the south parking lot of the hospital which can be accessed from Klein Street.

The event notice (shown here) indicates the picnic is to thank the community for its support during the COVID-19 pandemic, but doesn’t it seem more fitting that the community uses this opportunity to thank Hospital staff for being there for us during COVID?

Hope you can attend!

**Minnesota River Paddle** — The Recreation and Leisure Services Department is offering a great outdoor activity that is open to all ages. Join DNR naturalist Scott Kudelka for a paddle down the Minnesota River on Wednesday, August 11th, 9 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. and/or Thursday, August 12th, 9 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. The cost is only $10 per person which includes all equipment and bus transportation.

Participants will paddle in a 3-person canoe from Seven Mile Creek boat landing to Riverside Park/Mill Pond in Saint Peter. The 5.5 mile trip may include a break on a sandbar, eagle sightings and more.

Parking first on the east side of Seven Mile Creek, the boat landing side, you will be transported from Saint Peter back to your vehicles at Seven Mile Creek by Saints Bus Service. A certified lifeguard will be present and life jackets, available in multiple sizes, will be provided.

As you can expect, participants might get wet and should dress accordingly with water shoes recommended.

Space is limited so register early! This event is limited to a minimum of 12 participants and a maximum of 17. Register at the Recreation Office or call 934-0667.

**Hoopla At The Library** — Have you used Hoopla yet? This is a Library program/app that makes thousands of movies, television shows, music albums and audiobooks, available through a partnership with hoopla digital. All you need to access the programming is a valid library card.

Start by downloading the free hoopla digital mobile app on your Android or IOS device (or visit hoopladigital.com) to enjoy thousands of titles – from major Hollywood studios, record companies and publishers – for instant streaming or temporary downloading to smart phones, tablets and computers. It’s simple to sign-up and easy to get to your listening and viewing experience. There’s also no waiting to borrow popular movies, TV shows, albums or audiobooks and hoopla digital’s automatic return feature eliminates late fees.

For more information or assistance please contact the Library at 934-7420.

**Election Judges Needed** — Remember the last time you went to vote and that nice man or woman who helped you through the process? That person was an Election Judge and the City of Saint Peter is currently seeking additional judges to work for the 2021 election.
To qualify as an election Judge, individuals must:

- Submit an Election Judge application available from the City Administrator’s Office. (Note that not everyone who applies can be appointed.)
- Be available to work on Tuesday, November 2nd.
- State an affiliation with one of the major political parties.
- Attend a three hour mandatory training session that will take place in late September.
- Be eligible to vote in the State of Minnesota; and be able to read, write and speak English.
- Be able to understand sometimes complex regulations and procedures.
- Be able to sit for extended periods of time.
- Be dependable. We need people who will show up on Election Day, be on time, and not back out at the last minute.
- Be able to work with all types of people and in sometimes challenging situations.
- Obey election laws and be able to withstand complaints and criticisms from voters who may be upset about the procedures they must follow.
- Like a doctor’s office, those who work with elections must be able to keep private information private.

An Election Judge cannot be a candidate in that election (i.e. be running for an office on the ballot used in that precinct); or the husband, wife, parent, step relative, child, brother, or sister of a candidate or another judge in the same precinct; or a challenger.

High school students ages 16 and 17 can also serve as Election Judges with permission from their parents and principal. Saint Peter has regularly hired students to serve as Trainee Judges and the program has been great for both the students and the adult Judges they work with. If you have a student in this age group who is interested in participating we would love to consider their application.

Judges are paid at the rate of $10.25 per hour and will work on Election Day either from 6:00 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.; or 5:30 p.m. until counting is done which can sometimes be quite late. If you are employed, State law (M.S. 204B.195) allows individuals to be absent from work to serve as an Election Judge without penalty.

Being an Election Judge can be very challenging, but it is also very rewarding and if you think you meet the criteria outlined and wish to be considered for appointment as an Election Judge, please contact the City Administrator’s office by email at barbaral@saintpetermn.gov for an application. (If the applicant is a high school student, please let us know when requesting an application so we can provide the correct forms.)

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

- **POLICE PATROL OFFICER** - Applicants must have a minimum of a two year degree in Law Enforcement from a P.O.S.T. accredited college or vocational school; or three years’ experience as a police officer or working in a related field such as Probation or Corrections. Possession of a valid Minnesota P.O.S.T. board license or eligibility to immediately receive a P.O.S.T. board license; possession of, or eligible for a Minnesota Class D Drivers’ license within 30 days of employment. Desired qualifications include: four year Bachelor’s Degree in law enforcement or related field from an accredited college or university; Four or more years of experience as a law enforcement officer; Demonstrated specialized training or certificates in a law enforcement related subjects such as Emergency Management, Crime Scene Processing, Tactical Response, Mental Health Response, and/or Law Enforcement De-escalation Training; and ability to speak conversational Spanish or Somali. Wage range $28.97-$36.21/hr. depending on qualifications. The City of Saint Peter offers competitive health benefits. Applicants are required to complete a City application form which is available from the Saint Peter Police Department at 207 South Front Street, by calling (507) 931-1550, or the City’s website at [https://www.saintpetermn.gov/365/Employment](https://www.saintpetermn.gov/365/Employment). Applications must include a cover letter and résumé, and be received by the Saint Peter Police Civil Service Commission, c/o Saint Peter Police Department, 207 South Front Street, Saint Peter, MN 56082, by 5:00 p.m., Friday, August 20, 2021. Oral Interviews are scheduled to occur on September 1, 2021. Late applications will not be accepted. AAVEO

- **PT BUS DRIVERS** - for the Minnesota River Valley Transit system. These positions will work day, evening and weekend shifts. Positions in Saint Peter. Successful candidates for this position must have, at a minimum, a High school diploma or equivalent and a valid State of Minnesota CDL minimum of Class C Driver's
License with passenger endorsement. Candidates will have thirty (30) days from the date of employment to obtain the required driver's license and the City will help the new employee train for the license test. Candidates who possess the following desired experience or education will qualify for additional points towards an interview: previous experience working with the public; training in vehicle mechanics; experience operating a two-way radio/phone; and prior bus driving experience. Starting wage - $17.05 per hour. Applicants are required to complete a City application form which is available in the City Administrator's office at 227 South Front Street, by calling (507) 934-0663 or online at https://www.saintpetermn.gov/365/Employment. Completed applications must be received by the City Administrator's office by 5:00 p.m. July 30, 2021. Faxed and/or late applications will not be accepted. **NOTE: The successful candidates for this position will be required to successfully complete and pass a pre-employment drug test. The position is also subject to post-accident, random, reasonable suspicion, return to duty, and follow-up drug and alcohol testing required by USDOT 49 CFR Part 655 (Federal Transit Administration) and USDOT 49 CFR Part 40. In addition, successful candidates for this position must have a vehicle driving record which is clear of revocations, suspensions and cancellations for the past three (3) years. Applicants may be required to submit to a criminal background check and be clear of convictions for crimes or anticipatory crimes (as defined in M.S. 609.17 and 609.175) within the previous fifteen (15) years. AA/EEO