POLICE RESERVE OFFICER RECOGNITION – Long-time Police Reserve Officers Mary and Nick Klaseus were honored for their service to the community at the May 23, 2022 regular City Council meeting.

Nick Klaseus began his career on the Police Reserve in 1997 and became Reserve Chief in 2001. Mary Klaseus began her career in 2004 and has served as Captain since 2014. Each of them volunteered thousands of hours during their careers to help the Police Department with community events, securing crime scenes and assisting Officers with patrol duties. Their efforts were invaluable to the men and women of the Police Department.

Several members of the Police Department were on hand to witness their recognition and to thank Nick and Mary for their dedicated and unwavering service to the Police Department and to the St. Peter community as they retire from the Police Reserves.

On behalf of the City Council, City staff, and the residents of Saint Peter, thank you Mary and Nick for your many years of service and best wishes for an enjoyable retirement!

SPECIAL PRIMARY ELECTION TURNOUT – Saint Peter has long had a tradition of high voter turnout...at least until yesterday’s special primary election to fill the remainder of former Congressman Jim Hagedorn’s term.

Overall, Saint Peter had a 10.21% voter turnout which is less than half of the percentage for a normal primary election which normally runs in the mid-20% range. Of course, both of those numbers are dramatically under the 85-90% voter turnout of a November general election.

For those interested in detailed numbers, here is the voter turnout breakdown by precinct:

- Ward 1 Precinct 1: 8.29%
- Ward 1 Precinct 2: 10.59%
- Ward 2 Precinct 1: 8.58%
- Ward 2 Precinct 2: 12.85%

Please note that these numbers include absentee voters in each precinct as well as the election day, in person, voters.

If you were one of the registered voters who failed to cast a ballot yesterday, never fear. August 9th is the next chance to participate in the democratic process!

BOARD VACANCIES – Have you wanted a chance to help shape the future of Saint Peter? If so, we need you!

Vacancies currently exist on the Heritage Preservation Commission, Library Board and the Planning and Zoning Commission.

The Heritage Preservation Commission was created as an advisory commission to the City Council consisting of seven (7) members appointed and are tasked with developing guidelines or standards to carry out the Heritage Preservation guidelines. Those guidelines or standards address the application of City Code regulations related to historic preservation by developing and preserving structures within the Heritage Preservation District through the provision of standards for design, signs, materials, and the like. Meetings are on the last Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m.

The duties of the Public Library Board are to make recommendation regarding policy of the library, programs and operation of the library and library buildings; monitor and advocate for legislation that is
appropriate to public libraries; cooperate with other public officials and boards; maintain positive community relations; and carry out other duties as assigned by Ordinance or resolution of the City Council. The Library Board meets on the second Tuesday of every other month at 6:00 p.m. but their next meeting will not be until September.

The function and duties of the Planning and Zoning Commission include preparation of a Comprehensive Plan for the physical development of the City, including proposed public buildings, street arrangements and improvements, public utility services, parks, playgrounds, and other similar developments, the use of property, the density of population, and other matters related to the physical development of the City. The Commission may also prepare a revised Zoning Plan and an official map of the platted and unplatted portions of the City and adjoining territory, or portions thereof, indicating upon such map the proposed future extensions or widening of streets of the City. The Planning and Zoning Commission also reviews all proposals for land development that are affected by zoning, conditional use permits, annexation, and subdivision regulations. Also, every proposed plat of land within the City or within two miles of the City limits and not within a town which itself requires the approval of plats, which are submitted to the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Council. The Planning Commission meets on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Governors' Room of the Community Center.

Applications for City Council advisory boards are available on the City’s website at https://www.saintpetermn.gov/DocumentCenter/View/1158/ADVISORY-BOARD-APPLICATION?bidId=

Who Won The Battle Of The Badge? – Thank you to all those who donated blood as part of the St. Peter Police Department’s May 19th "Battle of the Badges" blood drive for the American Red Cross.

This year’s battle was an extremely successful drive, with 39 registered and 5 walk-in donors. The goal of the drive was to collect 29 units of blood, but the day ended with an amazing 38 units collected!

Now to the answer that everyone has been waiting for…. who won the battle of the badges? It was a strong tie between the Saint Peter Police Department and the Nicollet County Sheriff’s Office. Most importantly though, thank you to all of the donors that participated. You are all lifesavers!

OUTDOOR SWIMMING POOL - It is opening weekend at the Roy T. Lindenberg Memorial Outdoor Pool (300 North 4th Street). Memorial Weekend Open Swim and Wading Pool Hours are Saturday-Monday 12:00-7:00 p.m.

For more pool information, including purchasing your summer pool pass, swim lessons, and more please visit the City’s website at https://www.saintpetermn.gov/368/Outdoor-Pool.

MEMORIAL DAY CLOSURES – All non-emergency City offices, including the Public Library, will be closed on Monday, May 30th in recognition of the Memorial Day holiday.

In addition, the Community Center will be closed the entire weekend (Saturday, May 28 - Monday, May 30).

Minnesota River Valley Transit service will also be closed on Memorial Day.

ELECTION JUDGE THANK YOU – The City, along with Secretary of State Steve Simon, extend a thank you to our Election Judges who spent a very long day with little to do during yesterday’s Special Primary Election.

Secretary Simon paid an unexpected visit to the City’s Ward 1 polling place on Election morning to personally thank each Election Judge for their service. City Judges are a small but vitally important part of the election process, and they join over 30,000 others who serve on Election Day across Minnesota.

If you are interested in serving as an Election Judge for the August primary and November general elections, keep an eye on upcoming editions of the Hot Sheet for more information on how to apply!

MINNESOTA SQUARE PARK UPDATE – Spring construction within Minnesota Square Park is almost complete. The circular sidewalk and new pedestrian
accesses on Elm Street are installed and black dirt and grass seed has been placed. The parking lot, curb and gutter is installed and will soon get paved by City staff.

The City received a Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Outdoor Recreational Grant that will help with funding to improve accessibility within the park.

If you have any additional questions on these projects, please contact Public Works at 507-934-0670.

**DOG PARK IMPROVEMENTS** – A portion of the Thompson Dog Park located on the 1100 block of North Swift Street, is now a construction zone.

A new 10’ shelter is planned for the small dog area which will necessitate closure of this portion of the park for about four weeks. The larger fenced in area (large dogs) will remain open during construction. For those with questions, please contact the Public Works Department at 507-934-0670.

**HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION** – Spring is a great time to get rid of all the junk and clutter that has clogged up our basements, garages and sheds and you don’t have to go far to dispose of any hazardous materials you need to get rid of. Tri-County Solid Waste will be offering a household hazardous waste collection on Saturday, June 18th from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at the City of Saint Peter wastewater treatment facility located at 400 West St. Julien Street. Details are included on the flyer shown here.

**AMERICANS AND THE HOLOCAUST** – The St. Peter Public Library has been fortunate enough to be selected to host a traveling exhibition that examines Americans’ responses to Nazism, war, and genocide in Europe during the 1930s and 1940s. What did Americans know, and what more could have been done? The exhibition, from the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C., also presents stories of individual Americans, some of whom took actions that went against the grain at the time, daring to rescue Jews from Europe.

The exhibit, which will run through June 30th, will be open to the public during normal Library business Monday-Thursday from 10 am - 8pm, Fridays from 10 am - 5pm, and Saturdays from 9 am – 1 pm.

Americans and the Holocaust: A Traveling Exhibition for Libraries, is made possible by the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum and the American Library Association.

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING** – The City Council meeting on May 23, 2022 included sale of temporary general obligation sales tax revenue bonds to serve as construction financing for the Fire Station Project (with final funding from USDA); retaining Bolton and Menk, Inc. to prepare a study of the section of Highway 22 between Highway 169 and CSAH 20; retaining Damon Farber to provide architectural analysis and design services related to Gorman Park; approval of City assistance for the Minnesota Original Music Festival and Ambassador’s BluesFest; Acceptance of donations from St. Peter Girls Fastpitch Association ($10,000) and the Adult Softball Association ($10,000) for materials to put structural roofs on the dugouts at Jefferson Park and $15,000 from the Nicollet County Trails Association for installation of a bridge and culverts in the Traverse des Sioux Park nature area; cancellation of a purchase agreement with Cambria for the City owned property at 101 North Front Street; approval of a temporary soft drink and show license for the Minnesota Original Music Festival; and a closed session to discuss sale of City owned property at 101 North Front Street.

The next regular City Council meeting will be Monday, June 13, 2022, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Governors’ Room of the Community Center. Council agendas are available beginning the Friday before meetings on the City’s website [https://www.saintpetermn.gov/AgendaCenter](https://www.saintpetermn.gov/AgendaCenter).
HELP WANTED - The City of Saint Peter is accepting applications for several positions. For applications, or for more information, please visit the City’s website (www.saintpetermn.gov/365/employment).

Important note.... once you have completed the online application, save it to your computer with a new title, and then email or deliver it as shown on the front page of the application. The following positions are open:

- **INFRASTRUCTURE TECHNICIAN** - in the Stormwater Utility of the Department of Public Works. Candidates for this position will spend the majority of their time working outdoors. Major duties include locating water, sewer, and stormwater lines, cleaning stormwater collection systems, checking and repairing stormwater sump basins and downstream defenders, raising manholes and recording information on the City’s geographic information system (GIS). This position works closely with contractors and property owners in observing construction practices and work performed in the right-of-way and on private property. **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**: high school diploma or equivalent; 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 the date of employment with the City; Possession of Erosion/Sediment Control Inspector/Installer Certificate or the ability to obtain within six months of the date of employment with the City; Possession of the Erosion/Sediment Control Site Management Certificate or the ability to obtain within six months of the date of employment with the City; Knowledge of “as-built” records, ability to read blueprints, maps, specifications used by contractors in the field of construction; and Possession of an American Heart Association Certification as a Basic Rescuer for cardiopulmonary resuscitation and emergency cardiac care or obtain within six months of the date of employment with the City. $22.90 to $35.36 per hour. Applicants are required to complete a City of Saint Peter application form (www.saintpetermn.gov/356/Employment) or in the City Administrator’s Office 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 Wednesday, June 22, 2022. Faxed or late applications will not be accepted. Interviews will be conducted on Wednesday, June 29, 2022. AA/EOE

- **TRANSIT COMPLIANCE MANAGER** - **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**: High school diploma or equivalent; Possession of a valid driver’s license; and possession of a valid Minnesota CDL Class C Driver’s License with passenger endorsement within thirty (30) days of employment; Basic knowledge of vehicle mechanics and functions; Demonstrated ability to use a personal computer; Knowledge of word processing and spreadsheet software; and experience working with the public. $25.24-$26.29 per hour. Applicants are required to complete City application form available in the City Administrator’s office at 227 South Front Street, by calling (507)934-0663 or online at www.saintpetermn.gov/365/Employment. Completed applications must be received by the City Administrator’s office by 5:00 p.m. May 27, 2022. Faxed and/or late applications will not be accepted. For more info: www.saintpetermn.gov/365/Employment/ AA/EOE

- **WATER RESOURCES SUPERINTENDENT** - in the Department of Public Works. Minimum qualifications include high school diploma or equivalent; four years of responsible experience in operation of Class A, B, or C system facility or similar sized industrial facility; possession of a State of Minnesota Class C Water Supply System Operator Certificate or ability to obtain within six months of date of employment with City; possession of State of Minnesota Class C Wastewater Treatment Facility Operator Certificate or ability to obtain within six months of date of employment with City; possession of a valid driver’s license upon beginning employment and possession of a valid State of Minnesota driver’s license within one month of employment with the City. Desirable qualifications: Demonstrated knowledge of: methods, materials, and tools use in construction, operation, and maintenance of water wells, distribution, and treatment systems; wastewater collection and treatment systems, stormwater collection systems, detention, and treatment; Demonstrated knowledge of the principles, practices and equipment used in testing water, wastewater, and stormwater; Demonstrated knowledge of Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) systems; Demonstrated experience in supervision of more than three employees for more than three years;
Demonstrated knowledge of applicable regulatory codes; Demonstrated ability to read and interpret engineering plans and specifications; Demonstrated knowledge of OSHA regulations and municipal safety policies; Demonstrated knowledge of computer operations; Demonstrated knowledge of laboratory certification procedures; B.S. degree in engineering, public administration or related field; possession of State of Minnesota Type IV Waste Facility Operator Certificate; Possession of State of Minnesota Class B Water Supply System Operator Certificate; Possession of Minnesota Class A Wastewater Treatment Facility Operator Certificate; Possession of Minnesota Class B Wastewater Treatment Facility Operator Certificate. Starting salary $87,600 to $101,040. A full job description and required application packet is available from the City Administrator’s Office, 227 South Front Street, Saint Peter, Minnesota 56082 - 2538 or by calling (507) 934-0663 or online at www.saintpetermn.gov/365/Employment. Completed applications must be received by the City Administrator’s Office no later than 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 31, 2022. Interviews to be conducted Monday, June 6, 2022. Fax or late applications will not be accepted. AA/EOE

- **POLICE PATROL OFFICER** – $32.84-$40.30/hr, plus educational incentives and longevity steps at 8 years and 20 years of service. Qualified candidates could begin as lateral transfers at top pay rate. $1,500 sign-on bonus; 40 hours banked sick leave; 40 hours banked vacation leave. For more information, or for an application, please visit www.saintpetermn.gov/365/Employment. Open until filled. AA/EOE

- **PART-TIME METER READER** - in the Finance Department. Minimum qualifications: high school diploma or equivalent; experience working with the public; and valid Class D driver’s license. Desired qualifications: record keeping experience and previous meter reading experience. Position works from the 7th of the month to the 15th of the month (Monday – Friday) and then back for rechecks as needed the following week; with occasional hours scheduled during the month for final read outs. Meter Readers must work in all weather conditions. $15.90/hour. Applicants are required to complete a City application form available from City Administrator’s office (227 South Front Street), by calling (507)934-0663, or online at www.saintpetermn.gov/365/Employment. Qualified applicants will be contacted for an interview within one week of application submissions. Position will remain open until filled. AA/EOE

- **PART-TIME BUILDING SUPERVISOR** – at the Saint Peter Community Center. Evenings and weekends. For an application or for more information please visit www.saintpetermn.gov/365/Employment.

- **PART-TIME BUS DRIVER** - for the Minnesota River Valley Transit system. This position will work various shifts including day, nights and occasional weekends. This position works primarily in Saint Peter. For an application or for more information please visit https://www.saintpetermn.gov/365/Employment.

- **PART-TIME TRANSIT SUPPORT SPECIALIST (DISPATCHER)** – for Minnesota River Valley Transit system. (Dispatcher). This position will work mostly late afternoon, evening and weekend hours. For an application, or for more information www.saintpetermn.gov/365/employment.

- **SEASONAL POSITIONS** – The following seasonal positions at the Public Works and Recreation and Leisure Services Departments remain open: Applications and additional information on each of these positions are available online at www.saintpetermn.gov/365/Employment.
  - PUBLIC WORKS SEASONAL LABORER
  - TREE WORKER
  - LANDSCAPE GARDENER
  - PARK RANGER
  - LIFEGUARD/WSI
  - LIFEGUARD (without WSI)
  - RECREATION COORDINATOR
  - RECREATION LEADERS

**CITY MEETING CALENDAR –***PLEASE NOTE…Meeting dates and times may change due to unforeseen circumstances. For up-to-date information on meetings please visit the City’s website at www.saintpetermn.gov or call the City at 507-934-0663.**

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