

## Townhalls held on lead free SPRWS & water treatment plant



**Patrick Shea, general manager, and Will Menkhous, project engineer for the McCarrons treatment plant upgrade, presented two townhalls on Friday, April 1. One in person at 7 a.m. and one virtually at 9 a.m. covering the treatment plant upgrade now underway and the Lead Free SPRWS 10-year project that starts in full next year and is being piloted this year. A recording is available on Teams if you missed it.**

## Utility aides sought for season

Do you know someone looking for a seasonal job?

The utility is seeking to hire seven utility aides to work out of Vadnais for the season doing lawn maintenance and other outdoor work.

Point any interested parties to the job posting for utility aide at <http://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/stpaul>. Applications due by 4:30 p.m. on April 20.

For more information, contact Sandy Kimbrough at [Sandy.Kimbrough@ci.stpaul.mn.us](mailto:Sandy.Kimbrough@ci.stpaul.mn.us) or 651-266-6510.

## Utility posts internal opening for water system worker II

The water utility is looking to hire a water system worker II. This posting is open only to current, certified, classified city employees.

This position performs responsible work installing, operating, and maintaining the water distribution system including water mains, water services, valves, hydrants, and other water facilities.

Applications close at 4:30 p.m. on April 18.

## Staffing promotions and changes announced



Kelsey Feier



Tom Jauquet



Robert Jones

The utility has moved several staff around in distribution and engineering in recent weeks.

Kelsey Feier, water utility worker, had been working in distribution on water hydrant inspections and will now be working in the damage prevention unit as a Gopher State locator as of March 28.

Tom Jauquet, engineer, is moving from his role in engineering to the damage prevention unit, heading up that work section. He takes over Graeme Chapel's position effective April 9.

Robert Jones, who was recently promoted from water utility worker I to water systems worker II, will be working as a heavy equipment operator in distribution as of April 11. Robert will keep both new titles.

Congratulations to Kelsey, Tom, and Robert in their new roles in the water utility!

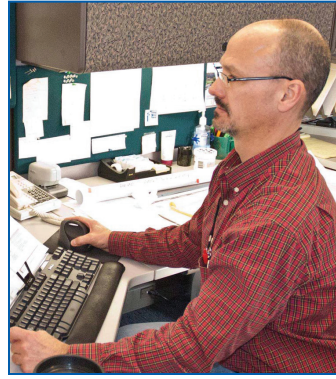
Training sessions are tentatively scheduled for Saturday, May 14 and Saturday, May 21.

Skills exams are tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, May 24 and Wednesday, May 25.

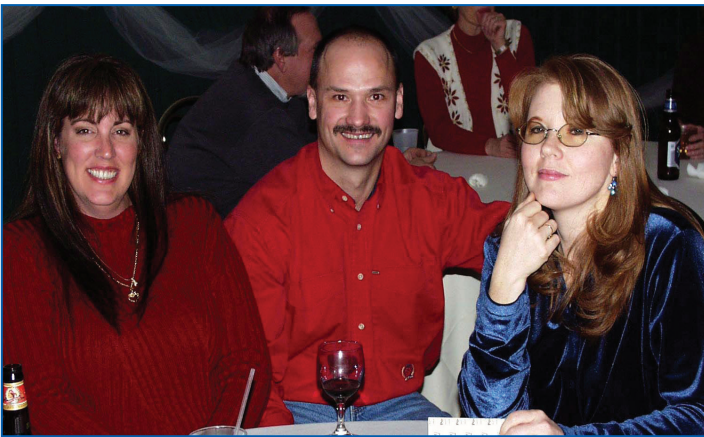
Exams will be held at Vadnais Station.

For more information, contact Michelle LeBow at 651-266-6519 or Diane Turnbull at 651-266-6506 or email [jobs@stpaul.gov](mailto:jobs@stpaul.gov).

# Mike Anderson retires from the water utility



*From top left, Mike Anderson, in front with green shirt, joins the engineering division for a photo in 2007. Mike at his desk in 2013. Mike dressed for Mardi Gras in 2004.*



*Katie Rohrbacher, Mike Anderson, and Heidi Lagos at the utility holiday gathering in 2003.*

Mike Anderson retired as of March 31 after 36 years of service.

He started with the utility in 1986 as a meter reader. Over his career he held a variety of titles, including: water system worker I and II, water utility worker I and II, stores laborer, accounting clerk I, engineering aide II, and water utility tech. I, II and III before his promotion to engineering tech. supervisor in 2011.

This is the position from which Mike retired. Congratulations to Mike on his retirement.

## New and returning staff start work in distribution

As we gear up for the construction season, the utility has brought on new and returning seasonal temps and hired new water utility workers.

Ryan Draheim, Matthew Lanars, Tom Longendyke, Walter O'Neal, and Bill Strouts are all seasonal temps who started March 28.

All but Strouts are water utility workers. Strouts is a cement finisher.

The utility has also hired Kristian Sanchez, Jordan Skender, and Steven Veres to work as full-time, water utility workers as of April 4.

If you see any of our new or returning staff, please welcome them all to the water utility.



*Ryan Draheim*



*Matthew Lanars*



*Tom Longendyke*



*Walter O'Neal*



*Bill Strouts*



*Kristian Sanchez*



*Jordan Skender*



*Steven Veres*

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