

## Did you carry over extra vacation hours from 2020? Use it or lose it

If you carried over any of the allowed 60 additional hours of vacation above the normal 120 last year, now is the time to use it. If those additional carried over hours are not spent by June 30, you lose them.

So, if you carried over the entire amount of 60 extra allowed hours, and you still have 40 hours of that left on the books, you should be planning a staycation.

To determine if you have used all vacation hours in excess of 120 hours that were carried over:

1. Go to your TASS account and click on the magnifying glass symbol next to the Available Leave Balance field. Click the "show future tab."
2. Scroll to find your vacation balance as of 1-2-2021. Subtract 120 hours from the 1-2-2021 balance. Example: Assume a 1-2-2021 balance of 145 vacation hours.  $145 - 120 = 25$  hours. 25 hours of vacation carry over must be used by June 30.
3. Add up the number of vacation hours you have used since 1-2-2021. Using the example above, at least 25 hours of vacation must be used by June 30 to avoid losing the excess carry over amount.

Need help? Contact Sandy Kimbrough at 266-6510 or Racquel Vaske at 266-6815.

## Accountant V position posted

The utility is looking for an accountant V, which is the finance manager for the utility.

This individual performs highly responsible professional accounting work involving the planning, organizing and supervising of a finance team consisting of 12 employees of clerks, technicians and accountants.

This individual reports to the business division manager, serves as the finance consultant to the

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## Sinkhole closes Larpentuer Ave.



**Larpentuer Avenue between Camelot Street and Sylvan Street is closed for the foreseeable future due to a sinkhole created by a failing culvert under the roadway. Two of the utility's water mains are affected by the repair work that will need to take place over the next several weeks.**

## New Capital City interns start

The utility has hired two Capital City interns who are working in the damage prevention unit.

Jessica Krebs and Jackson

Mendenhall started on June 7.

Please welcome them to the utility.



**Jessica Krebs**



**Jackson Mendenhall**



## Utility staff take part in WUTT 5K beer run event June 5



Staff from several utilities and organizations that are on the Water Utility Treatment Technology (WUTT) board staff a table at the Run for Beer 5K in Maple Grove on June 5. From left: Jodi Wallin and Carol Kaszynski, SPRWS; Joe Wokson, Maple Grove; George Kraynick, Minneapolis; and Paul Christensen, a WUTT instructor who works for People Service. They provided information on the WUTT program to those in attendance. WUTT and the MN Section AWWA STEM



(Science, Technology, Math, Engineering) program partnered with the 5k brewery running series to bring awareness to safe drinking water and the professionals who make it happen. Above: Carol Kaszynski and Herman Audett ran the 5K Run for Beer despite the high temps. Audett is enrolled in the WUTT program and is one of the SPRWS employees taking part in the training.

## Today begins new city holiday to celebrate Juneteenth

The city of Saint Paul will formally observe Juneteenth (June 19) as a paid holiday for employees who receive paid holidays starting this year.

Since June 19 falls on a Saturday this year, the new holiday will be observed on Friday, June 18.

Although staff have made changes to auto fill the new holiday in CMMS, please make sure your timesheet has the correct benefit or work holiday pay codes before submitting.

Juneteenth commemorates the end to slavery in the United States and is considered the longest-running emancipation celebration in the country.

It marks the day when federal troops arrived in Galveston, Texas in 1865 to take control of the state and ensure that all enslaved people be freed. The troops' arrival came a full two and a half years after the signing Emancipation Proclamation. However, two other states still practiced slavery until the ratification of the Thirteenth Amendment to the Constitution abolished chattel slavery nationwide in December of 1865.

The United States senate and house voted this week to make Juneteenth a federal holiday. President Joe Biden is expected to sign the legislation.

To learn more, go to <https://juneteenth.com/history/>

St. Paul joins Minneapolis in making Juneteenth a paid holiday. It is a paid holiday in Hennepin County, with Ramsey County making it a paid holiday in 2022.

## Accountant V position posted

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executive team, and acts as a financial advisor to the department head.

To be considered, the candidate must be a college graduate with a major or equivalent in accounting.

In addition, eight years of experience in accounting, at least four years of which must have been as an accountant III or equivalent are required. (No substitution for education.)

The position closes at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, June 28 and must be applied for online at [stpaul.gov/jobs](http://stpaul.gov/jobs).

For a full description of the job, go to [stpaul.gov/jobs](http://stpaul.gov/jobs) and select the accountant V position.

For more information, contact Dan Ferralez at 651-266-6596 or [jobs@stpaul.gov](mailto:jobs@stpaul.gov).

## Spring safety picnic returns

After a hiatus due to the pandemic, the spring safety picnic is set to make a return from **11 a.m. - 1 p.m. on Tuesday, June 22** in the administration building picnic area. Get in line for some free food and look over the safety displays that will be on hand.

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