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Trainees observe work

Job posted for meter tech



Photo by Kelsey Feiter

Water utility trainees observe Joe Garcia during in field training held on May 20.

The water utility has an internal posting for a water utility tech. This posting is open to current city of Saint Paul employees who meet the Civil Service promotion rule, which includes two years certified service.

This person:

- Performs advanced-level bench and field work installing, repairing, testing, and replacing water meters in residential and commercial properties in Saint Paul and surrounding service areas.
- Assists in performing project activities across divisions.
- Utilizes appropriate tools and equipment to complete assigned tasks and follows

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GIS specialists, interns begin work

Two new GIS specialists I began work on May 20 in the maps and records division.

Emma Durian and Miguel Gruen are located on the second floor of the administration building in maps and records.

Sam Roth started as an intern in the water quality lab May 20.

Sarah Leisenheimer started May 13 in the damage prevention unit as an intern and is returning from last year.

Please welcome all of our new staff and interns to the water utility when you see them!



Emma Durian



Miguel Gruen



Sam Roth



Sarah Leisenheimer

Retiree Jim Ksiazek passes away

Retiree James “Jim” Ksiazek passed away at the age of 86 in Newport on Sunday, Jan. 7.

Jim joined the water utility as a groundsman in 1971 and worked as a watershed laborer starting in 1975.

He then became a ditch digger. In 1979, he became a water serviceman and in 1985, he became a foreman.

In 1991, he became a water utility mains supervisor. This is the position from which he retired in 1999.

A service was held in his honor on May 11.

Highland water tank new paint job underway



Highland water tank No. 2 gets sandblasted as part of the preparation for a new coat of paint gets underway on May 23. Photos by Todd Blomstrom.

Meter tech sought

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established safety regulations and practices.

- Explains codes related to water meter functions, plumbing, and water billing to customers.
- Responds to complaints and assists in resolving complaints.

Requirements

High school graduation or General Education Development Certificate (GED) equivalency and one year of basic mechanical and/or plumbing experience.

Must possess and maintain a valid Minnesota class D driver's license, or equivalent out-of-state driver's license.

For more information, contact Chrissy Hauge at 651-266-6512 or at christine.hauge@stpaul.gov.

Must apply online at stpaul.gov/jobs by 11:59 p.m. June 10.

Staff and visitors tour the new water treatment plant May 24



From left, Andrew Madziarz; visitor Steve Schneider, (former general manager); Racquel Vaske; Blake Castagneri; visitor Jim Graupmann, (former assistant general manager); and Matt Dalrymple listen to Will Menkhaus on a tour of the new water treatment plant held for staff and former leadership on May 24.



The inside of the clarifier on a tour of the new treatment plant held on May 24.