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ASSISTANT BUILDINGS, GROUNDS & PARKS SUPERVISOR

CIVIL SERVICE EXAM (Open to the public)

Exam Date Exam Number 65-702

Application Fee*
\$15.00 (Do not send cash)

Application Deadline

5.00 (Do not send cash) **August 29, 2018**

* Application Fee is non-refundable and must be by check or money order. It is the applicants' responsibility to clearly show that they meet the minimum qualifications for the position.

Pay Rate: City of Geneva 2018 salary range: \$29.51-\$34.45/hr.

<u>Vacancy</u>: The Eligible List resulting from this examination will be used to fill all future vacancies in Ontario County, its Cities, Towns, Villages, School Districts, the Finger Lakes Community College and the Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES.

<u>Residency Requirements</u>: Candidates must have been legal residents of Ontario County for at least one month immediately preceding the examination date.

In accordance with Section 23-4 (a) of the Civil Service Law, **preference in appointment** may be given to residents in the jurisdiction where the vacancy exists. When preference in certification is given, an eligible must have been a resident of such municipality for at least one month prior to the date of certification and must be a resident of such municipality at the time of certification and appointment. Applicants must list a home address to be considered for preference in certification.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Either:

- 1. Two (2) years of full-time paid, or its part-time equivalent, experience as a journeyman in one of the recognized skill trades*; or
- 2. Three (3) years of full-time paid, or its part-time equivalent, experience in general building maintenance and repair work or in one of the standard skilled trades*.

*Skilled trades include journey level experience as a carpenter, electrician, mason, plumber, or heating, ventilating and air conditioning installer.

<u>Special Requirement for Appointment</u>: Possession of a valid New York State Operator's License and CDL License at the time of appointment, and maintenance of such license throughout the tenure of employment in the position.

<u>Anticipated Eligibility</u>: Applicants who lack thirty days, or less, of meeting the minimum qualifications by the date of the examination will be admitted conditionally to the examination. However, proof of the additional days' qualifications must be submitted prior to the establishment of the eligible list.

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<u>Job Description</u>: The work involves responsibility for direct supervision of and participation in the repair and maintenance of city buildings and grounds, parks, cemeteries and equipment. The work performed is of a general mechanical nature and may include carpentry, plumbing, painting, masonry, heating, or electrical maintenance and repair, welding, sheet metal work, locksmithing or related trades. General supervision is received from the Buildings, Grounds and Parks Supervisor. Direct supervision is exercised over the work of Building Maintenance Mechanics, Building Maintenance Workers, Laborers, and other subordinate employees. Does related work as required.

Background Investigation: Candidates may be subject to a thorough background investigation to determine suitability for appointment. Applicants may be required to authorize access to educational, employment, criminal history and other records check as part of such investigation. Criminal convictions or other offenses are subject to evaluation and may result in disqualification. Applicants will be required to submit the necessary fees for the fingerprint processing, where required.

<u>Subjects of Examination</u>: A written test designed to evaluate knowledge, skills and/or abilities in the following areas:

- **1. Building maintenance and repair -** These questions test for knowledge of the basic principles, practices and techniques essential to the proper maintenance and repair of various types of buildings, including such areas as building maintenance, preventive maintenance, and minor repair of building structures, electrical, and plumbing systems. This may include maintenance and repair of roofs, windows, walls, floors, millwork, insulation, masonry, pipes and valves, electrical wiring and switches, and painting. Questions may also include topics such as the proper tools and materials used in building maintenance and repair work as well as proper and safe practices and techniques when using these tools and materials.
- **2. Building trades, including mechanical and electrical -** These questions test for knowledge of the principles and practices involved in overseeing physical plant facilities and may include such areas as maintenance and repair activities involving carpentry, electrical systems, plumbing and sanitary systems, heating and ventilating systems, painting, masonry work, roofing, and similar types of physical plant maintenance and upkeep.
- **3.** Review and interpretation of plans and specifications, and the preparation of estimates These questions test for the ability to read and understand typical building plans, layouts, and technical specifications; and for the ability to calculate accurate estimates of material and labor costs.
- **4. Operation and maintenance of heating, ventilating and air conditioning systems -** These questions test for knowledge of basic principles, practices and techniques essential to the correct operation and maintenance of heating, ventilating and air conditioning systems, including such areas as air supply and exhaust systems, circulating fan capacities, building ventilation requirements, steam, hot water, and hot air heating systems; boiler operation; the refrigeration cycle, types and characteristics of refrigerants, troubleshooting air conditioning system problems, and proper maintenance of air conditioning systems.
- **5. Supervision -** These questions test for knowledge of the principles and practices employed in planning, organizing, and controlling the activities of a work unit toward predetermined objectives. The concepts covered, usually in a situational question format, include such topics as assigning and reviewing work; evaluating performance; maintaining work standards; motivating and developing subordinates; implementing procedural change; increasing efficiency; and dealing with problems of absenteeism, morale, and discipline.

The New York State Department of Civil Service has not prepared a test guide for this examination. However, candidates may find information in the publication "How to take a written test" helpful in preparing for this test. This publication is available on line at: https://www.cs.ny.gov/testing/testguides.cfm.

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USE OF CALCULATOR IS RECOMMENDED. Candidates are permitted to use quiet, hand-held, solar or battery powered calculators. Devices with Typewriter Keyboards, Spell Checkers, personal Digital Assistants, Address Books, Language Translators, Dictionaries, or any similar devices are prohibited. Cell phones, SmartWatches or any similar electronic devices are prohibited. You may not bring books or other reference materials. **You will not be permitted to use the calculator function of your cell phone.**

EMERGENCY CANCELLATION OF EXAMS WILL BE ANNOUNCED ON: CHANNEL 10 NEWS, NEWS10NBC.COM, and 1550 AM RADIO STATION.

Applications and further information may be obtained by writing or calling in person at the ONTARIO COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES, 3019 County Complex Drive, Canandaigua, New York 14424 (585-396-4465). Information may also be obtained by visiting our website at www.co.ontario.ny.us/HumanResources. Completed applications, which must be delivered personally or bear a postmark not later than **AUGUST 29, 2018**, must be filed at the same address.

It is the candidates' responsibility to notify Ontario County Department of Human Resources, in writing, of **address / telephone number changes.** All communication with candidates is done through the U.S. Mail. To be considered for preference in certification based on residency, be sure to include the city and/or town/village and school district you live in.

If candidate **fails to receive an admission letter** at least seven days prior to the examination date, you should contact the Department of Human Resources immediately.

Most written tests are held on Saturdays. If you cannot take the test on the announced test date due to a conflict with a religious observance or practice, check the box under "Religious Accommodation". We will make arrangements for you to take the test on a different date (usually the following business day).

Disabled Persons: If special arrangements for testing are required, indicate this on your application form.

<u>Crossfiler</u>: Applying for Civil Service Examinations in Multiple Agencies When The Exams are Scheduled on Same Date: If you have applied to take a written test for other local jurisdictions (county, town, city) scheduled on the same test date as this written test, you must notify each of the local jurisdictions no later than <u>two weeks</u> before the test date of the test site at which you wish to take your examination, so they can make arrangements for taking all tests at one test site. All examinations for positions in State government will be held at a State examination center. You must provide a list of all exam titles, numbers and locations for which you have applied. For this examination, write to Ontario County Department of Human Resources, 3019 County Complex Drive, Canandaigua, New York 14424.

The required **NON-REFUNDABLE** application processing fee must accompany your application. This means that your fee will not be returned to you in any case, even if your application is disapproved. (If you file for multiple examinations, each application must be accompanied by a separate check/money order.) Check/money order must be made payable to the Ontario County Department of Human Resources and write the examination number on your check/money order. Do not send cash. If you are approved and do not appear for the examination, you forfeit the fee as no refunds will be made. In accordance with Civil Service Law, Section 50.5(b), an exception to the fee requirements will be made only for persons who are unemployed and primarily responsible for the support of a household or who are receiving public assistance. A \$20.00 service charge will be imposed on any checks returned to the Ontario County Treasurer.

Special requirement for appointment in school districts or BOCES: Per Chapter 180 of the Laws of 2000, and by Regulations of the Commissioner of Education, to be employed in a position designated by a School District or BOCES as involving direct contact with students, a clearance for employment from the State Education Department is required.

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In conformance with Section 85-a of the Civil Service Law, **children of firefighters and police officers killed in the line of duty** shall be entitled to receive an additional ten points in a competitive examination for original appointment in the same municipality in which his or her parent has served. If you are qualified to participate in this examination and are a child of a firefighter or police officer killed in the line of duty in this municipality, please inform this office of this matter when you submit your application for examination. A candidate claiming such credit has a minimum of two months from the application deadline to provide the necessary documentation to verify additional credit eligibility. However, no credit may be added after the eligible list has been established.

Any member of the **Armed Forces** of the United States of America, who having duly filed an application to compete in a scheduled competitive examination for Civil Service employment by the State of New York or any of its subdivisions and who due to active military duty is deprived of the opportunity to compete in such examination shall be provided with an opportunity to compete, under terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the State Department of Civil Service or Municipal Commission, by way of a special military make-up examination.

Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program (PSLFP) - The PSLF Program is intended to encourage individuals to enter and continue to work full-time in public service jobs. Under this program, you may qualify for forgiveness of the remaining balance on your (Direct Loan) loans after you have made 120 qualifying payments on those loans while employed full-time by certain public service employers. For more information about this program go to: http://studentaid.ed.gov

Ontario County is an **Equal Opportunity Employer** and, as such, offers equal opportunities for all qualified applicants with no discrimination as to age, race, color, creed, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, military status, predisposing genetic characteristics, marital status, domestic violence victim status or disabilities and, in certain circumstances pursuant to Executive Law 296, conviction record. Any person with a disability requesting reasonable accommodations in order to participate in examinations will be accommodated.

This examination is announced and will be rated in accordance with Section 23-2 of the Civil Service Law. The provisions of the New York State Civil Service Law and Rules and Regulations dealing with the rating of examinations will apply to this examination.

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