

City of Fremont Update

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To: City Employees/ City Boards/ Mayor & City Council

Four Long-term Employees Retire:

Cindy Lingle

Cindy Lingle started with the City on August 1, 1978. She was hired as a Maintenance Worker II for the Park & Rec Department. Cindy spent her entire career at the City in the park maintenance shop. Her specialty was designing, installing, maintaining and repairing irrigation systems. As the City added splash pads, Cindy helped troubleshoot issues and made sure each pad was operational by Memorial Day. Cindy also was an expert painter and took great pride in doing the job right. Cindy has a great sense of humor, and she loves to laugh. She retired on January 17, 2020. Thanks for all you did for the City!



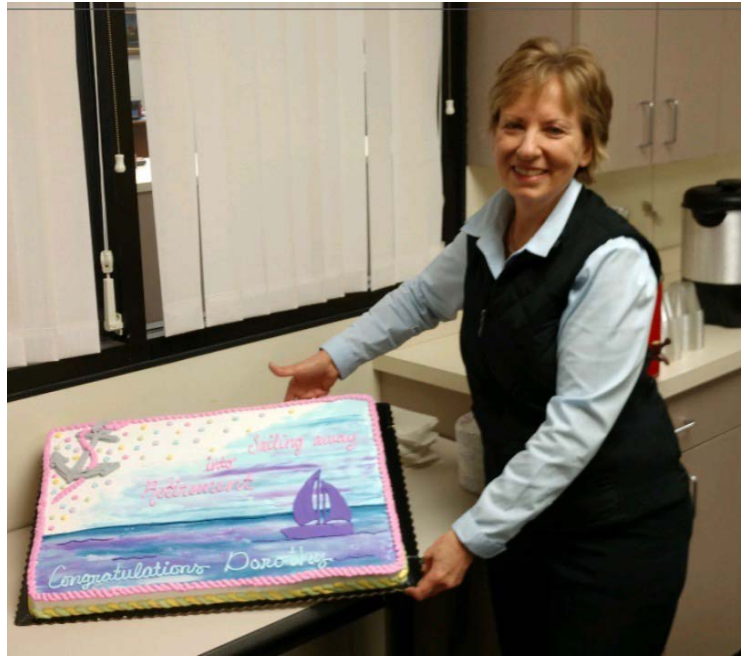
Mike Kellner

Mike began his career with the City on November 1, 1978 by working on the tree crew before transferring to work at Ridge Cemetery. At Ridge Cemetery, Mike was responsible for mowing and trimming around more than 20,000 graves and headstones. Mike also assisted with selling gravesites as well as digging and filling graves. He transferred to the park shop as a Maintenance Worker where he handled turf maintenance, assisted the forestry crew with tree work in the parks and helped with storm cleanup. He also helped with John C. Fremont Days and with various events at Christensen Field. In the winter, Mike plowed snow and worked on equipment maintenance. Kim Koski, Parks & Rec Director, said Mike is always in a good mood and has a very relaxed personality! Mike retired on January 31, 2020. We thank Mike for all his hard work!



Dorothy Winter

Dorothy began her career in the City Administrator's office on August 2, 1976 when the Administrator was housed in what is now the Fremont Police Department. She then transitioned to the Parks and Recreation Department where she worked until she retired on February 7, 2020. Over the years, Dorothy's duties included booking events at City facilities, including collecting deposits and payments. She also scheduled park shelters and vendors for the craft show, registered participants for summer programs, and made endless reservations for ball fields. In the office, she was known for "little" things she did like decorating for holidays, rotating artwork, and keeping all the plants alive! What we will miss the most about Dorothy is her caring and pleasant personality! She will be hard to replace. Thank you for all you did and please enjoy retirement!



Tom Brown

Tom was hired on January 3, 1977, by Nebraska Natural Gas (the natural gas company operating in Fremont at that time). Tom worked on the maintenance crew for three years, and worked up to a Truck Foreman. When Kansas-Nebraska Natural Gas bought out Nebraska Natural Gas, in 1981, his title changed to Gas Service Worker. Tom continued to work as a Gas Service Worker when the City purchased the gas system in 1985, and stayed in that position until he retired on February 14, 2020. Steve Carnahan, the City's Natural Gas System Manager said Tom was always at work and his knowledge of the gas system will be missed. Good luck, Tom!

These retirements represent more than 160 years of experience, which will be hard to replace. However, more importantly, these retirements mean saying goodbye to good people who spent a lot of their life making Fremont a better place to live and work. Thank you for what you did for the City!



There is no job so important and no service so urgent that we cannot take the time to do the work safely!