# **NEW BRAUNFELS** UTILITIES

JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title: Senior Accountant

**Department:** Accounting

Reports To: Accounting Supervisor

Pay Status: Exempt

Location: Main Office Job Status: Full-Time Job Grade: 604 Date Created/Updated: 1/11/2023

#### **Position Summary**

The Senior Accountant is responsible for preparing, analyzing and making recommendations regarding financial data. This includes creating financial reports for internal and external distribution. The Senior Accountant is responsible for assisting, mentoring, and training other Accounting staff.

#### **Essential Duties & Responsibilities**

#### ACCOUNTING DUTIES

- Prepare accurate and timely monthly balance sheet reconciliations
- Coordinate month-end close and prepare monthly and year-end journal entries
- Generate and analyze monthly financial statements and supporting reports
- Maintain and review financial statement structure for accuracy
- Track and analyze financial ratios

- Analyze financial statements for discrepancies and other issues that should be communicated to the Accounting Supervisor

- Prepare monthly financial update presentation
- Identify and research account variances
- Routinely review budget vs. actual activity for inconsistencies
- Discuss departmental financial results with managers on a routine basis
- Research and determine appropriate accounting treatment for transactions
- Identify risks and potential process changes to improve efficiency
- Backup essential project accounting responsibilities
- Support and mentor other Accounting staff

#### SPECIAL PROJECTS

- Support the Accounting Supervisor with the coordination of the annual audit, including the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR)

- Assist with the annual budget process and creation of the Financial Operating Plan
- File Internal Revenue Service (IRS) 1099s and other tax forms
- Prepare unclaimed property filing
- Prepare annual reporting and surveys for external entities
- Back up other accounting staff functions when necessary

#### GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- Maintain regular attendance; leave schedule should be managed so as to not interfere with ability to accomplish tasks, including special projects and assignments with deadlines

- Adhere to NBU safety guidelines and practices at all times and in all situations
- Maintain a clean and safe work area, office, field site and vehicle as applicable
- Maintain strict confidentiality of business, employee and customer information in written and oral communications and safeguard sensitive documents

- Develop & maintain effective customer service skills for communications with co-workers, customers and the public in general

- Adhere to NBU policies and procedures
- Exemplifies NBU Core Values of Integrity, Stewardship, Team and Safety
- Participate in and support initiatives to reach annual NBU Performance Measures

| <b>Formal Education and Work Experience Requirements</b><br>Degree/Diploma Obtained: Bachelors | Other: Bachelor's Degree in Accounting or |
|--|---|
| Work Experience Time Frame: Five Years or More   | Business-Related Field                    |
| Field of Study: Accounting   | Business-Related Field                    |
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| <b>Certification and Licensures Requirements</b><br>Click or tap here to enter text.           |   |

#### **Other Minimum Qualifications**

- Experience with Microsoft Dynamics GP is a plus
- Experience with utility or governmental accounting is preferred
- Experience with budget preparation is preferred
- Technical ability to sufficiently analyze, design, and create various statistical or reports as directed
- Ability to produce correspondence, reports, user-friendly spreadsheets, databases, and other documents that
- are accurate and clearly understood
- Strong attention to detail and organizational skills
- Ability to prioritize tasks to meet deadlines without close supervision
- Strong problem solving and analytical skills

#### **Knowledge of Computer Software**

|                      | No Knowledge | Beginner    | Intermediate | Expert      |
|----------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| Arc GIS              | $\boxtimes$  |             |              |             |
| AutoCAD              | $\boxtimes$  |             |              |             |
| Crystal Reports      |              |             | $\boxtimes$  |             |
| Microsoft Access     |              | $\boxtimes$ |              |             |
| Microsoft Excel      |              |             |              | $\boxtimes$ |
| Microsoft Word       |              |             | $\boxtimes$  |             |
| Microsoft Publisher  |              |             |              |             |
| Microsoft PowerPoint |              |             |              | $\boxtimes$ |

#### **Other Software Knowledge**

Experience with computerized financial systems

#### Experience with Machines, Tools, Equipment and Other Work Aids

Copier, computer, scanner, fax, calculator, telephone

## **Physical Demands**

### Standing: Rarely

- □ Making Presentations
- □ Observing Work Sites
- □ Observing Work Duties
- Communication with Co-Workers

### Fine Dexterity: Constantly

- ⊠ Computer Keyboard
- $\boxtimes$  Telephone Keypad
- ⊠ Calculator
- □ Calibrating Equipment

# Walking: Rarely

☑ To Other Departments/Office/Office Equipment
 □ Around Worksite

# Carrying: Rarely

- $\Box$  Supplies
- □ Equipment
- ⊠ Files

# Sitting: Constantly

- 🛛 Desk Work
- $\boxtimes$  Meetings
- $\Box$  Driving

# Reaching: Rarely

- $\Box$  For Supplies
- $\boxtimes$  For Files

# Handling: Occasionally

- ⊠ Paperwork
- $\Box$  Monies

# Kneeling: Rarely ☑ Filing in Lower Drawers ☑ Retrieving Items from Lower Shelves/Ground

# Pushing/Pulling: Rarely

- $\boxtimes$  File Drawers
- □ Equipment
- $\boxtimes$  Table and Chairs
- □ Hose

**Climbing:** Rarely ⊠ Stairs

- □ Ladder
- □ Step Stool
- □ Onto Equipment

# Vision: Constantly

- $\boxtimes$  Reading
- $\boxtimes$  Computer Screen
- $\Box$  Driving
- □ Observing Worksite

# Foot Controls: Never

- $\Box$  Driving
- □ Operating Heavy Equipment
- $\Box$  Dictaphone

# Balancing: Never

- $\Box$  On Ladder
- $\Box$  On Equipment
- $\Box$  On Step Stool

# Bending: Rarely

- I Filing in Lower Drawers
- $\boxtimes$  Retrieving Items from Lower Shelves/Ground
- □ Making Repairs

# Crouching: Rarely ➢ Filing in Lower Drawers ➢ Retrieving Items from Lower Shelves/Ground

## Crawling: Never Under Equipment Inside Attics/Pipes/Ditches

Hearing: Frequently
➢ Communication Via Telephone/Radio/To Co-Workers/Public
□ Listening to Equipment

Twisting: Rarely☑ From Computer to Telephone□ Getting Inside Vehicle

**Talking:** Occasionally ⊠ Communication Via Telephone/Radio/To-Co-Workers/Public

# **Environmental Factors**

|   | Never       | Seasonally | Several Times<br>Per Year | Several Times<br>Per Month | Several Times<br>Per Week | Daily |
|---|-------------|------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|-------|
| Extreme Temperature<br>(Heat, cold, extreme temp.<br>change)                              |             |            |                           |                            |                           |       |
| Wetness and/or humidity<br>(bodily discomfort from<br>moisture)                           | $\boxtimes$ |            |                           |                            |                           |       |
| Respiratory Hazards<br>(Fumes, gases,<br>chemicals, dust, and dirt)                       |             |            |                           |                            |                           |       |
| Noise and Vibration<br>(sufficient to cause<br>hearing loss)                              | $\boxtimes$ |            |                           |                            |                           |       |
| Physical Hazards<br>(High voltage,<br>dangerous<br>machinery,<br>aggressive<br>Customers) |             |            |                           |                            |                           |       |

# Health and Safety Conditions

|                          | Never<br>(Never<br>Occurs) | Rarely<br>(Less than 1<br>hour per<br>week) | Occasionally<br>(1/3 or more<br>of the time) | Frequently<br>(From 1/3 to<br>2/3 of the<br>time) | Constantly<br>(2/3 or more<br>of the time) |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| Mechanical Hazards       | $\boxtimes$                |   |  |   |  |
| Chemical Hazards         | $\boxtimes$                |   |  |   |  |
| Electrical Hazards       | $\boxtimes$                |   |  |   |  |
| Fire Hazards             | $\boxtimes$                |   |  |   |  |
| Explosives               | $\boxtimes$                |   |  |   |  |
| Communicable Diseases    | $\boxtimes$                |   |  |   |  |
| Physical Danger or Abuse | $\boxtimes$                |   |  |   |  |

**Other:** Click or tap here to enter text.

#### Primary Work Environment: Office Environment

Other: Click or tap here to enter text.

#### **Overall Strength Demands**

- Sedentary Exerting up to 10 pounds occasionally or negligible weight frequently, mostly sitting
- Light Exerting up to 20 pounds occasionally, 10 pounds frequently, walking or standing often
- □ Medium Exerting 20 50 pounds occasionally, 10 25 pounds frequently, or 10 pounds constantly
- □ Heavy Exerting 50 100 pounds occasionally, 25 50 pounds frequently, or 10 20 pounds constantly
- □ Very Heavy Exerting 50 pounds constantly

#### **Non-Physical Demands**

|  | Never       | Rarely      | Occasionally | Frequently  | Constantly |
|--|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|------------|
| Time Pressure                                    |             |             |              | $\boxtimes$ |            |
| Emergency Situations                             | $\boxtimes$ |             |              |             |            |
| Frequent Change of Task                          |             |             |              | $\boxtimes$ |            |
| Irregular<br>Schedule/Overtime                   |             | $\boxtimes$ |              |             |            |
| Performing Multiple Tasks<br>Simultaneously      |             |             |              |             |            |
| Working Closely with<br>Others as Part of a Team |             |             |              | $\boxtimes$ |            |
| Tedious or Exacting Work                         |             |             |              | $\boxtimes$ |            |
| Noisy/Distracting<br>Environment                 | $\boxtimes$ |             |              |             |            |

**Other:** Click or tap here to enter text.

#### **Employee Statement of Understanding**

THIS JOB DESCRIPTION DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN EMPLOYEE AGREEMENT BETWEEN NEW BRAUNFELS

UTILITIES (NBU) AND THE EMPLOYEE. Nothing is this position description restricts NBU's ability to assign, reassign or eliminate duties and responsibilities of this job at any time.

I HAVE READ AND RECEIVED A COPY OF THIS JOB DESCRIPTION.

Employee's Printed Name

Date