



**Borough Manager's Report
Assembly Meeting 21 December 2015**

Thought we would do something different for the last Assembly meeting for the Calendar Year. Things to be Thankful For:

- ❖ Jody is thankful she was able to complete the conversion of the harbor billing to new billing software. This software gives harbor users the option to pay online, automatically interfaces with our accounting software and is much more user friendly for staff.
- ❖ Debbie and Mindy are thankful for successfully running their first official election and everything went very well. They changed up the venue a bit and the new layout made it easier for voters to get in and out of the polling location.
- ❖ Mindy adds to this by being thankful she has been able to learn enough of the Deputy Clerk and Clerk's jobs that Debbie was able to go on vacation without worrying too much!
- ❖ Power & Light is really proud of the work done at our hydro this year - the operational test of the low level outlet gate valve at the dam (which hadn't been operated in over 20 years); and the successful replacement of the turbine needle valve which was original equipment from 1950.
- ❖ Shelyn cheated and listed two...the new van that we got with the help of Liz (Liz also mentioned this), Chris, and others has enabled people get out and about with ease and nobody is left behind due to disability. They absolutely love it! She also wanted to recognize the incredible care that our residents get due to the excellent staff. It's a tough job and they do it well!
- ❖ Tara and the Library are very proud of recognizing the value of joining the Joint Library Consortium online catalog. Our local users now have access to over 2 million items and our annual costs for software/hardware maintenance are down 70%.
- ❖ Sandy, Ryan and the Volunteers are thankful for the support of the community in their efforts to provide Fire, Emergency Medical Services, and Search and Rescue services to the Petersburg Borough. Leaving their families, their jobs, and nice warm beds on a moment's notice is much easier when the staff and volunteers truly know the community has their backs.
- ❖ Karl is very proud of the progress on the cart based recycling program. . Through the hard work of staff, vendors and the community we are almost there in the implementation of this important service.
- ❖ Chris is thankful for getting the majority of the wastewater improvements projects on Nordic and Haugen Drives completed. These projects required coordination with various agencies and contractors and were very challenging at times. Nice to have them mostly behind us and the new infrastructure available for our community.

- ❖ Donnie is very proud of the work we have done at the Cemetery and the creation of the new Columbarium. This couldn't have been done without the help of Paul Anderson, Ira Morgan, Karen Malcolm, Jesse O'Connor, and the mighty men of the Public Works department.
- ❖ Glorianne is thankful for the work done by all of the Community to help produce the Waterfront Master and the Borough's Comprehensive Plans. These two documents solidify the important history and the various aspects of each department within the Borough and give guidance for continued independence and future growth.
- ❖ Even though Glo said it first, getting the Comprehensive & Waterfront Plans to this point was a year-long process involving every department, local organizations, and hundreds of residents. It's really gratifying to see how each individual's input ultimately becomes a whole vision for the future for our community. (Liz Cabrera)
- ❖ Kudos to Molly for migrating our mapping data to GIS. This is an ongoing and time-consuming process, but we've got the base layers needed in place and as we add more data it will become useful to several various departments. And a "shout out" to Joe B. for all his work training Liz this year!
- ❖ Kelly is thankful for all of his staff and their accomplishments this year. **3,939 Calls for Service** so far this has included; **10 Sexual Abuse of a Minor or Sexual Assault** cases, **46 assaults**, **81 traffic crashes** and **65 arrests** – including **12 for DUI**. Further, officers successfully performed CPR on one person, literally saving a life. The Dispatchers have processed approximately 1000 calls from 911, as well as countless administrative calls, ranging from, "I need someone; my loved one just passed away," to "What is the number to TU". This has also included supervising inmates where they kept them safe, fed, and cleaned the unimaginable from jail cells. For all of this the staff deserves our acknowledgement and our thanks.
- ❖ Celebrated my 4th year here in Petersburg and it is as wonderful as the first year. Very proud of the staff who have had to live with me harping about the budget all year. Their dedication to their jobs, the Borough and our Community contribute greatly to our quality of life and our organization.