



**Borough Manager's Report
Assembly Meeting 26 February 2018**

- ❖ Federal Signal should be in town mid-March to install the two Sirens and controller for existing siren.
- ❖ The Local Emergency Planning Committee and LeMay Engineering will be holding an Open Meeting on March 1st at noon for comments regarding the Hazard Mitigation Plan re-write. The Plan is posted on the Website.
- ❖ Thanks to Sandy for some classes for some of our employees. Sandy taught a First Aid/CPR/AED course to Public Works and a CPR/AED to Muni Building Employees.
- ❖ The Fire Dept is sponsoring "Survival Skills for the First Responder" training on March 3rd. This training is open to all Fire Dept members and Police Dept Employees.
- ❖ The Borough is conducting an informal survey as part of the Police Chief recruitment. Surveys are available at the Municipal Building front counter.
- ❖ Public Hearings on the Development Code Revision are continuing. This code regulates land use, subdivision, and development within the borough, particularly in service area one. Information about the proposed changes and how to participate in the process can be found on the borough website under "Petersburg Development Code Revision". Hard-copy of the proposal is available at the Public Library and Municipal Building. Next Planning Commission meeting is a public hearing and recommendation to the Assembly on March 6th at noon. The Borough Assembly will consider the proposal on 4/2, 16 and May 7th.
- ❖ Lots of Snow and Ice! Public Works staff is keeping roads clear and spreading sand - and catching up on moving stockpiles of snow to snow dumps as time allows. PW is purchasing an additional 300 tons of traction sand to hopefully make it to some warmer weather.
- ❖ Sanitation is hoping to bring a CDL Road Examiner to town in March to complete testing of our newest Sanitation Operator, David Plagens. As the DMV's funding has been cut for remote road examinations, the Borough is paying to bring an examiner to town and offsetting some of those costs by offering the testing to others in the community that may need it. Please contact public works to get on the list.
- ❖ The PMPL Remodel project continues to progress. The contractor has completed interior sheet rock work and painting. Flooring installation is in progress right now. Second floor suspended ceiling will go in after flooring is complete. Electrical trim work will be ongoing. On schedule for substantial completion on 4/1.
- ❖ The 350-generator project should be wrapping up soon. The vendor of this generator is honoring their warranty and has shipped parts to correct the problems with the generator/engine coupling and the cracked oil pan. All parts should be in Petersburg and ready for install on March 5th. Two technicians from Pacific Power Group will be flying to Petersburg on March 4th to start installation the next day. Once the parts are installed, Electrical Power Systems will be returning to complete all testing and commissioning with the Pacific Power technicians and PMPL staff. The plan is to have the unit in service by March 10th.

- ❖ Shelyn applied for and received a \$3000 from First Bank toward our Assisted Living kitchen project. Thank you, First Bank! We also received a grant from the Elks Lodge for \$1,500 towards this project. Thanks to Chandra for the help on the application, and the Elks Lodge for the grant.
- ❖ Planning for programs and upcoming festivals is underway.
 - Community Event Nights – Have been happening since Jan. They are on Saturday evenings, typically planned for the 2nd Saturday of the month. The next one will be Saturday 4/14 for a 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament.
 - A new swim lesson session starts 3/23/18.
 - Spring Break is 3/12-3/16. We had planned on offering a mid-day open swim, but we are low on staff, and not sure it will happen.
 - Saturday 3/24: Scoop the Poop Day at Sandy Beach
- ❖ The Little Norway Festival Meetings have started. The next meeting will be held 3/8 at 12pm at the Chamber conference room. Anyone who is interested in helping is welcome to join us.
- ❖ HVAC1 coils are here and have been partially installed. We are awaiting one more piece before they will be fully up and running again.
- ❖ Glo participated in a US Army Corps of Engineers Masters class panel concerning issues that face U.S. shallow draft harbors and the partnership with the Army Corp has with coastal communities.
- ❖ Harbor Staff have been concentrating on snow removal and staying ahead of problems associated with the heavy loads. Reminder to the community to keep your vessels and fingers shoveled off and watch for things like frozen scuppers that can lead to vessel sinking when the weather warms.
- ❖ Thanks to the US Coast Guard team for a successful week of exams prior to the Tanner crab opening.
- ❖ Staff is set to release the 2018 summer tour ship schedule. As the schedule stands we expect 128 stops, up from 108 stops last year- getting closer to the top year of 152 stops in 2008.
- ❖ Serena Newman is back from Municipal Corrections Officer Certification training and represented us very well during the course. Thank you, Serena. Great work.
- ❖ Alaska Police Standards Council completed the final action to revoke Kent Preston's police officer certification at their Feb. 13th meeting. The Council also accepted Kalin Rosse's voluntary surrender of his certification. Chief Swihart recused himself from both matters during voting. The next meeting is in May.
- ❖ First Bank Grant awarded the library with a \$3,000 grant for the 2018 Summer Reading Challenge. This is the ninth year that First Bank has made a major contribution to the program. We also received a \$2,500 donation from UnCruise that will be used for library youth programs.
- ❖ We've just launched a new early literacy program, "Read 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten", sponsored by the Friends of Petersburg's Libraries.
- ❖ Property assessment notices will be mailed on February 28th. A revaluation was done by the Assessor on land between Haugen Drive and the Cemetery, as well as on Frederick Point. The appeal process only lasts for 30 days, ending on March 30th, so be sure to review your assessment when you receive it in the mail.