

## Borough Manager's Report Assembly Meeting 18 August 2014

- \* Replacement lighting at the South Harbor is should be completed this week, including installation of the final five new fixtures, and the removal of the old.
- Planning/design work is beginning on the possible replacement of our aging CAT generators. Replacement parts are no longer manufactured, and both units are reaching the end of their useful life.
- The Borough is working with SEAPA, and the Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game to deal with the sudden influx of birds (crows, ravens, eagles) at and near the Petersburg (Scow Bay) Substation. Bird strikes within the sub have caused two major outages.
- ❖ The annual FERC inspection of our Blind Slough Hydro Project was conducted last week by the Portland Area Engineer. We passed with flying colors − special thanks to Bob, Rikki, and Sue for their efforts.
- Officer Popp is attending training that will certify him to inspect and perform minor repairs on our handguns and rifles.
- Officer Thorsen received minor injuries when attempting to arrest a juvenile for vehicle theft. The juvenile was arrested without injury. We have asked juvenile justice authorities for reimbursement of medical costs.
- Sandy Beach Shelter is awaiting the arrival of additional metal roofing. It should arrive in the next week or so.
- ❖ Parks & Rec. is working with the LDS church on a service project at Sandy Beach on September 6th. They will be adding sand to the beach, cutting back weeds near the shelters and on the trails, adding river rock around the shelters, and removing old limbs from trees. At Noon there will be a hot dog BBQ for all of the volunteers. The whole community will be invited.
- \* Harbor staff is working on compiling a price list for needed additions to finish the North Harbor loading zones and wood rub board for heads of stalls. These items were both eliminated off the original contract prior to bid in order to save money with the understanding that maintenance staff could install these after project completion.
- Tamico has begun pile driving, starting with the approach dock abutment anchor piling for the drive down facility.
- ❖ Western Marine has the materials ready for shipment to begin working on the Crane Dock Widening Project set to begin Sept 15th. Pre-construction meeting set for this week.
- As scheduled the Public Works and the Harbor staff are working together to install the curb stops along Harbor Way Tuesday, 12th. Individual parking sports will open back up as the stops get installed.

- Congratulations to the winners of the library's 2014 Amazing Rainforest Race: Julian Cumps & Brennan Skeek. The Amazing Rainforest Race was made possible by The Petersburg Community Foundation, Petersburg Parks & Recreation, First Bank & Nordic Air.
- The library will be closed Sept 15 & 16 for maintenance and cleaning. This will be an annual event held every year on the anniversary of the opening of the new facility. It will allow for a variety of activities to take place that we cannot do while open to the public.
- ❖ The library has been awarded an FY14/15 Erate Federal telecommunication subsidy. The subsidy pays for 80% of the cost of: the library's internet, one phone line, and long distance costs. This is the second year this funding has been received.
- ❖ Mountain View Manor's Elderly Housing water service is complete. The next steps will be to move the hydrant from the Manor entrance to the lower end of the parking lot and to patch Howkan Street pavement where the cut in to the water main was done.
- Rock N Road is down to the last minor items to finish up the Landfill project. A survey was completed on August 11th and final grading and other items will be completed within a two week time period.
- \* Bid specs for the snow plow replacement are being advertised. Due to numerous bidder questions on the specifications, the bid period has been extended and bids are now due on August 22th.
- An opportunity to purchase a surplus ADOT SUV from the Wrangell Airport presented itself and the Motor Pool has purchased a 2004 Chevy Trailblazer with 2,200 miles on it for \$3,200. This unit will be assigned to the maintenance and administration staff at Mountain View Manor and will forego any plans to replace a vehicle in that department for quite some time. The unit that was to be assigned to MVM is proposed to be gifted to the MVM Food Service for meal delivery.
- ❖ PIA has been working hard on Dolphin Street sidewalks and is doing great work. They have included the third street sidewalks in their work plan and will replace those sidewalks this year or next year, dependent upon progress over the rest of the summer and fall.