

Borough Manager's Report Assembly Meeting 18 October 2016

- Representatives of the Rasmuson Foundation and Alaska Community Foundation were able to visit the Children's Center last week and tour the new classrooms. Great to show off this community project to out of town funders and talk about other projects on the horizon.
- Next week Sandy will be attending the Fall Preparedness Conference and Local Emergency Planning Committee Association meeting in Anchorage. Attendance is Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHS&EM) grant requirements.
- Sandy and Fire Chief Welde attended the Oil Spill Response Presentation by ADEC.
- ❖ 3 EMS people went to EMS Expo last week to attend classes and trek through a vendor show. (no cost to Borough)
- ❖ Volunteers are in the Elementary School (grades K-5) for Fire Prevention this week (Oct 9-15).
- ❖ Hiring processes is still underway to fill two corrections officer / dispatch and one police officer position. We're receiving limited interest. Staff is working long hours and on some regular days off to cover the gaps.
- Valdez Dispatch Supervisor, Lorrie Mott, was here last week and assisted staff with further records management training.
- ❖ Staff is scheduled for firearms training and qualifications on 10/19 & 10/20
- Power & Light trying to make sure all street lights are working in preparation for Halloween. We've done a survey, but would also appreciate public input on any lights that are not working properly.
- Planning is now complete for providing the new electric service to the municipal building, while keeping the old Police Department energized.
- Public Works staff completed the install of a new French drain at the bottom of Surf Street and SECON has patched the road. With the dry weather, there has not been an opportunity to determine its effectiveness in capturing ground water since the install.
- ❖ Staff is researching a covered water valve box on Fram Street at the NAPA building and will be patching this street with concrete prior to winter.
- There has been quite a bit of interest in the old brass sidewalk inlays that were salvaged from Main Street. Various businesses have requested them for small concrete or paving projects in order to reuse these pieces of our history. So far, the Public Library, Icicle Seafoods, Viking Travel and Harbor Way Parts have used

some of these inlays or have plans to use them in future projects.

- Drive Down Bulkhead construction project is on schedule. Tamico is back on site, driving fender piles and re-installing & connecting the light poles. Substantial completion should be met by end of October.
- Glo got back from Harbor masters conference in Dutch Harbor last week and look forward to Petersburg hosting the conference with approx. 100 attendees' next year October 2-6th.
- ❖ ADEC provided the public with an oil response presentation (Tues. Oct 11, 2016) followed by a demonstration assisted by Harbor staff of how to use/deploy the oil response equipment along the waterfront. The Borough's Harbor Department houses and monitors this equipment on behalf of ADEC.