



**Borough Manager's Report
Assembly Meeting 17 April 2017**

- ❖ During routine maintenance at Power & Light the main generator circuit breaker failed. This is our spare breaker, which was put in service several weeks ago. The hydro is now down until repairs. We're arranging for a technician to bring the replacement parts here to Petersburg and assist in the repair.
- ❖ Power & Light will be having Wednesday diesel generator runs each week in preparation for the annual maintenance shutdown of the transmission system from Tyee, which is scheduled for the week of June 5th.
- ❖ Various Departments are working to upgrade/replace the Radix hand-held meter reading equipment. The units are no longer compatible with Windows 7 and are used to read both the electric and water meters.
- ❖ All trainees in the Police Department are doing well and progressing on track. Special thanks to the Communications Training Officers and Field Training Officers. Their efforts are much appreciated.
- ❖ National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week was April 9-15. We'd like to recognize the great work our dispatchers do and thank them for their service.
- ❖ Thanks to Karl and crew for helping organize the impound lot, and to Barb Beasley and Kalin Rosse for assistance in streamlining the impound process. Capt. Hamilton and the rest of patrol are working on impounding some of the derelict vehicles around town in our Spring Cleaning efforts.
- ❖ We've noticed a slight uptick in property crimes and suspicious circumstances. Folks are reminded to secure their property and keep things locked up.
- ❖ Simplex will be installing new fire panels in Elderly Housing and Assisted Living in the next month due to failure of the system during a power outage.
- ❖ Planning work has begun for multiple events:
 - The Little Norway Festival
 - The Ping Pong Paddle Battle is coming back this year and will be on Wednesday 5/17. Get your practice on, tables are available for reservation at Parks and Rec.
 - Fourth of July: Future committee meeting dates will be established after 4/17. If you are interested in joining the committee we are looking for volunteers. Please call Parks and Rec for more information.
- ❖ Sandy attended grant required DHS&EM Preparedness Conference and Local Emergency Preparedness Association and State Emergency Response Commission meetings in Anchorage, and the EMS symposium and Southeast Region EMS Board of Directors meetings in Sitka.

- ❖ Thanks to the Fire and EMS Volunteers who participated in the Early Childhood Fair.
- ❖ The Firefighter 1 course is winding down. Participants in the course has unfortunately dwindled.
- ❖ Public works crew demolished the burned-out trailer in the Island Mobile Home Park on April 12th.
- ❖ City Creek Dam design is almost complete. Application for the work must be sent to the State Dam Safety Program for approval.
- ❖ We have been having problems with our wireless network connections at the water plant and baler. Trying to find a low cost and reliable way to connect these Borough facilities to our network to allow us to communicate and manage their systems.
- ❖ SEASWA developed a scrap metal recycling contract with Waste Management (WM). The agreement sets up the potential to work with the SEASWA membership and Waste Management for removal of scrap metals and junk vehicles. The goal of the sanitation department is to only send scrap when a positive return on the material is possible. If it becomes necessary to send metals at a cost to the department, that cost will be brought to the Assembly for approval prior to removal by WM.
- ❖ Karl is working with the elementary school for Earth Day activities focused on recycling.
- ❖ Unimak Street residents have submitted a petition for the paving LID opportunity. As of the writing of this report, only isolated parties from the other streets have submitted signatures. The next steps are to fine tune the quote with SECON, draft an initial assessment roll and schedule a public hearing on the LID.
- ❖ Tamico is substantially complete with the Portico Repair project at the Manor. They are about 6 weeks ahead of schedule and have been a pleasure to work with on this project.
- ❖ SB 28, Municipal Land Entitlement for Petersburg, passed out of the Senate on a 20-0 vote. Still hopeful that we can move the bill through the House before it adjourns.
- ❖ Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for April 18th at 4:30 pm
- ❖ PND excavated test pits at Scow Bay to determine whether soils are suitable for building on and/or to be used as beneficial dredge spoils. Soils are mostly local “blue clay” which was used to build the Drive Down approach. Expect Dick Somerville to be back in town to present a preferred alternative and cost estimates on June 8th.
- ❖ The Chamber announced UnCruise Adventures will make Petersburg a Start/Stop point on their itinerary next year. This means passengers will be spending two nights in Petersburg, if not more, as part of their cruise.
- ❖ Please remind people to come get their permits; parking, Drive Down and Launch permits
- ❖ Glorianne has been working with our DC Lobbyist on the USCG mooring situation.
- ❖ Glo will be taking approx. 3 months maternity leave beginning April 17th. Ed Tagaban will be in the captain’s seat.