

Borough Manager's Report Assembly Meeting 18 January 2016

- Power & Light has completed the major re-write of our Emergency Action Plan required by FERC for our Blind Slough Hydro. A tabletop exercise to familiarize plan holders with the new document has been scheduled for January 21st.
- The next SEAPA meeting will be held in Wrangell on February 11th-12th. This will be the first meeting of the new year, so there will be an election of officers.
- We will be having weekly diesel runs on Wednesdays for the next month or so to complete the operator training for Adam Day.
- Animal control ordinances are now being reviewed. Recommendation for updates are coming to the Assembly shortly.
- Hofstad warehouse burglary has been solved and most of the stolen property has been recovered. The Grand Jury indicted three people and they have been arrested.
- F/V Marathon was burglarized on 1/8/16. Burglary was captured on the harbor surveillance system. Both suspects have been identified, including one who was arrested for Violating Conditions of Release. More charges are expected.
- Land Selection committee meeting was held on Jan 11. Made good progress adopted selection criteria, identified priority parcels. Next meeting is scheduled for Feb 2nd at noon.
- P&Z held its first public hearing on the draft Comprehensive Plan on 1/12. Encourage comments on the draft comprehensive plan and waterfront plan to be submitted by January 29th. Copies are on the borough website and hard copies available at the municipal building and public library. Next public hearing on Comp Plan is tentatively scheduled for January 19 at 10 am. This will be a joint Harbor Board/P&Z meeting to discuss waterfront land use. Public is welcome to attend.
- Recycling transition is underway! Carts are distributed and the new truck is ready to go. First day of cart pickup is Tuesday, January 19th. The department is very thankful for the community's patience during the transition. Thanks to the Public Works Staff who was crucial in the distribution of the blue recycling carts during the week of January 11-15. They did a great job and I thank them for their efforts!
- Starting after the January 18th MLK Jr. Holiday, the Baler hours will be reduced to noon to 3pm on weekdays. Sunday hours will continue to be 9am 3pm.

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- Chris Cotta is working on a project to replace the corroded baler conveyor belt structure.
- Design and permitting is also underway for an open top container loading bulkhead adjacent to the baler to allow for continued shipping of garbage and recycling during the conveyor belt replacement project. Public Works staff will be constructing the bulkhead this spring.
- Staff is removing items from the first police sedan to be replaced and sending them to Anchorage for installation on the new patrol SUV. The completed patrol unit will likely be assembled and delivered in February.
- Motor Pool replacement recommendations are complete for the FY17 budget. I'll be providing the annual memo which details all of the replacement and extension recommendations when the budgets are submitted.
- Special thanks goes out to Derrick O'Soup, Kelly O'Soup, Madonna Parks and members of Girl Scout Troop #4129: Meghan O'Soup, Cheyenne Steele, Payton Gonzales, Atiana Wasilausky and Mackenzie Larson for their assistance in bundling the multitude of recycling information packets that were distributed with the recycling carts.
- I would also like to thank Ruger's Trucking, Angie and Wes Davis, for the hard work and excellent service they provided during their time as our blue bag collection contractor. Best of luck to the Davis' family as the sanitation department assumes the recycling collection effort.
- The Library has scheduled another iPad for Seniors class due to popular demand. The class is taught by Catherine Hanson who is volunteering at the library as part of the Mature Alaskans Seeking Sills Training Program.