



**Borough Manager's Report
Assembly Meeting 6 January 2014**

- ❖ Finalizing the paperwork for the recent DDF bid. TAMICO Inc is planning the pre-construction meeting to go over schedule and other planning issues the week of Jan 12th.
- ❖ Preparing to advertise the Crane Dock Widening project re-scheduled for mid- Jan.
- ❖ Rasmus Enge bridge materials have started to be delivered. Stacks of planks from The Mill Inc. have been staged at the long term parking area at the crane dock parking lot. The Mill continues to cut the required planks and is also working with third party suppliers on the treated planks and pile delivery.
- ❖ Parks & Rec. will begin advertising for "Losing BIG Petersburg" our annual Fitness competition on Monday January 6th. The competition will begin the first week of Feb.
- ❖ Just finished the maintenance on the aquatics center. Some fresh paint, rust clean-up, tile work, lighting repairs, etc.
- ❖ Dave Nauman will be back to work on Jan. 20th and will begin work on the shelter roof.
- ❖ A cost estimate for demolition on the Wrangell Avenue structure has been completed and we are waiting on word from the Attorney on some specific questions before moving forward on an in-house demo operation or the hire of a contractor to perform the demolition.
- ❖ The ADEC and Governor have funded a grant to pay for 70% of the cost of the Pump Station 1 Force Main project. Public works is recommending that the work be split into two separate projects to take advantage of ADOT's corresponding work on South Nordic, while retaining our design Engineer Dowl HKM to complete the more specialized pump station work. The new force main and gravity sewer improvements to be installed within the state right of way will be completed in the ADOT South Nordic Rehabilitation project and the work to upgrade Pump Stations 1 and 2 and decommission the force main in the tidal zone will be completed by the Borough by way of a separate contract. The ADOT project is projected to go to bid this spring.
- ❖ The Recycling Program changes are right around the corner. The department has disseminated public education materials on our website and will begin local advertising of the changes next week. The program has drawn a lot of interest and there have been many customer sign-ups over the last month. The program should be ready to roll out and begin commingled collections in the first week of February 2014.
- ❖ Karl is drafting an RFP for recycling collection services that will be advertised in February. PIA will continue to collect curbside recycling under their current contract until the RFP process is complete and their contract is renewed or the work is awarded to another qualified company

by the end of March.

- ❖ Sgt. Kerr will be headed to the state recertification academy in Sitka Jan 11-24, and Officer Williams to attend Force Science Certification in mid January after receiving a scholarship.
- ❖ Chief Swihart met with new advocate Annette Wooten from W.A.V.E. Exchanged contact information and discussed programs and services.
- ❖ Chief Swihart has trials tentatively scheduled in Mat Su 1/21/14 and Fairbanks 1/28/14.
- ❖ Officers met and voted to try a scheduling model consisting of (4) ten hour days. This will provide better coverage and give staff a shorter work week.
- ❖ Multiple incidences involving behavioral health issues.
 - Three charged with criminal offenses.
 - Two transported to receive further treatment.
 - One evaluated and treated locally
- ❖ With the rain and mild temperatures, Crystal Lake has recovered to near full.