



**Borough Manager's Report
Assembly Meeting 15 August 2016**

- ❖ Shelyn and staff are working on our Medicaid Provider recertification, and grant reporting for the van. Thank you to Michelle, Liz, and Chris for their help on these projects.
- ❖ Shelyn met with Alan Murph last week and he will begin drawing plans for the portico repair at the Manor.
- ❖ Shelyn is working with the Hospital to set up classes for MVM staff training on various topics.
- ❖ We are in the process of purchasing a replacement van for the recreation center.
- ❖ Parks & Rec. is gearing up to get the Community Center Youth Basketball league running. We are searching for volunteers, including coaches, referees, timers, and score keepers.
- ❖ The community center fall schedule hours starts August 29th. There will be no open gym during the day M-F, nor midday open swim from 11a-1pm.
- ❖ Maintenance focus in Parks & Rec. is on pruning, and maintaining the cleanliness of park facilities. Jesse has also been diligently working to repair the placements of headstones at the cemetery, some of which have begun to sink or move over the years.
- ❖ Sandy is working with the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHS&EM) on their September visit. They will bring an Earthquake Simulator, provide training and facilitate a tabletop exercise.
- ❖ Police and Fire personnel met with Pro Com regarding new dispatch consoles and improving public safety communications.
- ❖ Police Department has been very busy. Since the first of the month they have been averaging a little over a dozen calls a day with two arrests and four citations issued. We have made more arrests and issued more citations this year to date than last, in spite of being short handed.
- ❖ An example of one of our more “interesting” calls; an employee of one of the processors was seen climbing two flights of stairs, walking into his bunkhouse room, climbing into bed and passing out while his pants were fully engulfed in flames. This resulted in smoke alarms going off, an evacuation of a couple of hundred workers from the bunkhouse and a quick trip to the hospital for the burning man. The report on this case is still being written.
- ❖ SB 91 is in effect and the effects are already evident. At arraignment last week we had three people show up, all of whom had multiple charges of violating conditions of release. One was released on, among other things, a felony drug charge. In the past we would have asked for significant monetary bail or remand. They were released back into the community with essentially no new incentives to

follow the court's orders.

- ❖ Planning Commission meeting has been rescheduled for August 23 at 2 pm.
- ❖ SE Conference is expecting record attendance at their Annual Meeting in Petersburg next month. Thank you to PFI for opening up their bunkhouse to accommodate attendees. If anyone has available rental Sept 20-22, please contact Marilyn at the Chamber, 772-4636.
- ❖ PW Staff will begin constructing an open top container bulkhead at the baler facility in the near future. This facility will allow sanitation staff to load out bulky items such as junked fiberglass boats and trailers.
- ❖ CBC Construction has reached substantial completion on Pump Station 2 with some minor issues to address. The new pumps have been officially started up and are pumping wastewater without issue. The Contractor has moved their operation to start work on Pump Station 1 and has established a bypass of the station through the new force main within South Nordic Drive. The old force main on the S Harbor beach has been flushed and is no longer in service. With the bypass in place, the contractor can dismantle the pumps in preparation for rehabilitation and upgrade of the pump station.
- ❖ Chris Cotta is working on the development of a design RFP for the City Creek Dam Rehabilitation.
- ❖ The surplus auction resulted in the sale of two vehicles. A future auction will be held to dispose of the remaining surplus units.
- ❖ As of this date, SECON has one large paving project to complete (the Haugen Drive bike path) and several smaller patches and jobs around Petersburg, including the completion of South Sing Lee Alley paving.
- ❖ Municipal Building contaminated soil work has concluded with a total of 36 cubic yards of contaminated soil removed from the site. The soil will be run through SECON's asphalt plant to burn off the diesel fuel contamination and then tested to ensure adequate reductions in contamination. Pending an acceptable result to the final testing, the soil will be disposed at the Petersburg Landfill.
- ❖ The Library has three special programs coming up
 - Documenting, Preserving and Collecting Alaska's Fishing Industry History - Aug 15
 - Puppet making workshop with the USFS 2016 Artist In Residence – Aug 25
 - Exploring Yoga Through Movement Art and Watercolor Journaling – Aug 29-Sept 1