

**Mayor's Report
For
May 30, 2017 Assembly Meeting**

- 1. Thank You to Mark Jensen:** Mark Jensen resigned as Petersburg's Mayor on May 18th. Mark was originally elected to the Assembly in 2007, served as Vice Mayor, and assumed the role of Mayor in 2012. On behalf of the Assembly, Borough staff and Petersburg residents, thank you, Mark, for your efforts and commitment to our community.
- 2. Appointment of Vice Mayor:** With the resignation of Mr. Jensen, Vice Mayor Lagoudakis becomes Mayor per Borough code. Mayor Lagoudakis will appoint a Vice Mayor with approval of the Assembly.
- 3. Seeking Letters of Interest:** The Borough is seeking letters of interest from Petersburg residents willing to serve our community by filling one of the following vacant seats until the October 2017 Municipal Election:

Borough Assembly – 1 seat
Hospital Board – 1 seat

Letters of interest may be addressed to the Borough Clerk and emailed to dthompson@petersburgak.gov, mailed to PO Box 329, Petersburg, AK 99833, or dropped off at the Borough Administration office at 12 S. Nordic Drive.

- 4. Historic Preservation Commission:** The Borough is seeking letters of interest for 3 vacant seats on the Historic Preservation Commission:

Seat 1 is reserved for an Archaeologist or At Large member, and the term of this seat ends 12/31/2017.

Seat 2 is reserved for an Assembly Member with a term ending 12/31/2019.

Seat 3 is reserved for a Planning Commissioner with a term ending 12/31/2018.

Letters of interest may be submitted to the Borough Clerk as outlined earlier in this report.

- 5. Appointment of Southeast Conference Representative and Alaska Municipal League Representative:** Mr. Jensen was the Assembly representative for Southeast Conference and Alaska Municipal League. New representatives will need to be appointed.

- 6. Municipal Building Dedication and Open House:** The Borough Assembly and staff will dedicate the newly renovated municipal building on July 4, 2017. A reception will be held immediately following the dedication and tours of the facility will be given.
- 7. Thank You to Janet Holten:** Janet Holten has served on Petersburg's Little Norway Festival Committee for 13 years, 7 as the committee Chair. Ms. Holten stepped down as Chair after this year's festival. Thank you, Janet, for your time, efforts, and dedication to all things Norwegian. Congratulations on being the recipient of the 2017 Norwegian American Award!
- 8. Thank You to USCG Lt. Commander Peter Vermeer:** On June 9, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. the US Coast Guard Change of Command will take place at Sandy Beach. On behalf of Petersburg, thank you, Lt. Commander Peter Vermeer, for your service and interest in community engagement.
- 9. Public Hearing for proposed Local Improvement Districts (LIDs) for Street Paving on Unimak, Vesta and Pearl F Streets:** A public hearing regarding the proposed LIDs for street paving on Unimak, Vesta and Pearl F Streets in the Severson Subdivision will be held on Wednesday, June 14, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. in the Assembly Chambers of the Municipal Building.

If an affected property owner opposes the creation of the LID, a written objection must be submitted to the Borough Clerk at or before the hearing.

For more information, please see the Public Service Announcement attached to this report.

- 10. President Trump's Budget:** We are keeping an eye on movement of the President's budget, which contains cuts for programs such as water infrastructure grants which Petersburg has counted on in the past.
- 11. Alaska Municipal League Summer Conference:** Mayor Lagoudakis will attend the AML Summer Conference in Haines August 16 – 17, 2017.

Mark Jensen
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May 18, 2017

To: Stephen Giesbrecht, Borough Manager
Debra Thompson, Borough Clerk
Petersburg Borough Assembly

I, Mark Jensen, resign my position as Mayor of the Petersburg Borough effective 8:00 a.m. today, May 18, 2017.

Mark Jensen

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'MJ', followed by a long horizontal flourish.

**PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT
Petersburg Borough**

**Public Hearing
On
Local Improvement Districts for Street Paving
On Unimak, Vesta and Pearl F Streets**

The Petersburg Borough Assembly will hold a public hearing regarding the proposed creation of Local Improvement Districts (LIDs) for the purpose of street paving on Unimak, Vesta and Pearl F Streets in the Severson Subdivision. The Borough Public Works Department will provide a presentation on the proposed construction plan, the initial assessment roll and the recommended repayment plan for the work. Any member of the public is welcome to attend but the primary purpose will be to engage the affected property owners on the LID streets to answer questions and hear concerns and/or protests.

If an affected property owner opposes the creation of the LID, a written objection must be submitted to the Borough Clerk at or before the hearing. Written objections should contain the property owner's name and the legal description of the lot within the LID area.

The Assembly will conduct the Public Hearing on June 14th at 6:00pm in the municipal building Assembly Chambers. Written objections (that will be read aloud at each meeting) may be submitted to the Clerk prior to the hearing via in-person, US Postal Service at PO Box 329, Petersburg, AK 99833 or email at: dthompson@petersburgak.gov.

Questions regarding the hearing may be directed to Karl Hagerman, Public Works Director at 772-4430, Chris Cotta, Assistant Public Works Director at 772-4430 or Debra Thompson, Borough Clerk at 772-4425.

Distribution:

Mailed directly to property owners of Unimak, Vesta and Pearl F Streets.

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