



**Borough Manager's Report  
Assembly Meeting 15 April 2019**

- ❖ Upcoming Events at Parks & Rec.:
  - Scoop the Poop: Sandy Beach Friday April 19<sup>th</sup>. All are invited to join us for an afternoon of cleaning up the poop. 3-5pm with a BBQ afterward.
  - Ducky Dive: April 20<sup>th</sup>. We will be offering our yearly Ducky Dive again this April to have some fun in the pool. 12-3pm.
- ❖ Altered Facility Schedule for May
  - We are closing on Sundays and Mondays for the month of May. The facility will be open Tuesdays thru Saturdays 6am-9pm.
  - The entire facility will be closed for Maintenance closure May18th-May31st.
- ❖ The next Friends of Parks and Recreation meeting will be held on Wednesday April 17<sup>th</sup> at 5pm in the Director's office, upstairs.
- ❖ The Volunteers elected Jim Stolpe to serve as the new Fire Chief.
- ❖ The Fire Department held the annual Family Activity Day for the Community on Saturday April 6th. Volunteers from Fire, EMS, SAR, and the Junior FF program were on hand for activities, show and tell, and to provide hamburgers and hot dogs. We had well over 200 people stop by during the 2-hour event. Thanks to Papa Bears for donating and serving Root Beer Floats.
- ❖ We implemented the new ambulance fees effective April 1, 2019.
- ❖ Thanks to Public Works crew for assisting the Harbor with annual maintenance by trenching out the South Harbor Grid to help with drainage.
- ❖ Harbor staff is working on an application for funding for ADA Compliant Ramps in the South Harbor.
- ❖ Medicaid Provider renewal complete for the Manor. We're good for two more years.
- ❖ EH walk in freezer compressor had to be replaced. Thank you to the Community Cold Storage for letting us store our frozen food during this process.
- ❖ WAVE did two sessions for staff on Elder Abuse, reporting, safety, etc. It was well attended. Thank you to WAVE for all you do!
- ❖ Spring road maintenance is in progress. The crew has been busy cleaning up streets, sidewalks and parking lots with the sweeper and wash truck. We have also started grading dirt streets as weather permits.
- ❖ The Streets crew assisted local DOT with repairs to the entrance apron at Hungerford Hill Road, after it started washing out next to the highway during recent rains.

- ❖ An RFP has been issued for a used Caterpillar 320 Excavator to replace the Borough's 1992 Cat 240B. This unit was budgeted for replacement in the approved FY19 Motor Pool Budget.
- ❖ Proposals for the Solid Waste Baler Replacement are due on April 18<sup>th</sup>. This was extended via addendum from the original due date of April 4<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ Recently, Chris had opportunities to tour the Roosevelt Landfill in southern Washington State (where Petersburg's garbage ends up) as well as the Materials Recovery Facility or MRF in Seattle where Petersburg's recyclables are processed. A presentation on these facilities will be made at a future Assembly meeting.
- ❖ Planning is underway for the Sanitation Department's annual Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) event. This will likely be held the first weekend in June.
- ❖ The Alaska Department of Natural Resources has reduced maintenance funding provided to the Borough for upkeep at the Ernie Haugen Public Use Area (Greens Camp, Wilson Creek and Banana Point Boat Launch). Funding for 2019 will be half of what has been provided in previous years. They have also stated that no maintenance funding will be provided in calendar year 2020 or any future years.
- ❖ City Creek and Cabin Creek reservoirs are full; however, we still have some room in Tyee, Swan and Crystal for hydro production. Staff is hoping the rain will eliminate some scheduled potable water deliveries and free up time to perform other tasks.
- ❖ Alan Murph, of Harai and Associates, has completed the first draft of the project manual for the Kisenno Street sewer project. ADEC has already provided an Approval to Construct the project so at this point we are working toward Bidding Documents.
- ❖ The hydro power lakes are rising. As of the drafting of this report, Tyee is at 1264.0, Swan is at 291.6 and Crystal is at 9.55' above the intake. Recent rainfall and spring temperatures has brought about the start of spring inflows. Historically, higher inflows don't show up until the end of April, so we are expecting to see the inflow situation get better over the course of this month.
- ❖ Karl is drafting a letter requesting a proposal from McMillen Jacobs to move into the next phase of design for the Blind Slough Hydro project. As presented to the Assembly, the next steps will be to perform additional preliminary engineering in order to then complete final specifications for the turbine, generator and accessory equipment for procurement by the Borough. Once this process results in the award and ordering of the equipment, final design of the powerhouse and penstock improvements will commence with the goal of putting out a bid advertisement for the installation of Borough provided equipment and to furnish and install all other improvements.
- ❖ The line crew is catching up on service orders and starting to trim trees around the lines in town. Please be aware of work zone signs as you drive around the island.
- ❖ The Friends of the Library held a very successful open house at the library on April 6 to kick off National Library Week. They honored local library heroes Mary Ellen Anderson, Stan Hjort and Sam Bunge, raised awareness about the library, and raised money with this event. Thanks to the dedicated group of volunteers who made it possible.
- ❖ Thanks to Public Works for cleaning the winter sand from our parking lots, sidewalks and throughout town.