

**Mayor's Report  
For  
August 15, 2016 Assembly Meeting**

- 1. Seeking Letters of Interest:** The Borough is seeking letters of interest from Borough residents willing to serve on the following Boards and Commissions until the October, 2016 Municipal Election:

Hospital Board (1 vacant seat)  
Planning & Zoning Commission (1 vacant seat)

Letters of interest may be addressed to the Borough Clerk and emailed to [dthompson@petersburgak.gov](mailto:dthompson@petersburgak.gov), mailed to PO Box 329, Petersburg, AK 99833, or dropped off at the Borough Administration office in the PIA Building at 15 North 12<sup>th</sup> Street.

- 2. Filing for Candidacy for the October 4, 2016 Election:** The first day to file for candidacy for any open board, commission or Assembly seat in the October election was July 26, 2016. Packets are available for pick-up at the front desk of the Borough municipal offices in the PIA building or by downloading from the Borough website. Completed forms must be returned to the Clerk's office by 5:00 pm on August 23, 2016.

The following **19 seats** are up for election:

Mayor:	One seat
Assembly:	Two seats
School Board:	Two seats
Hospital Board:	Four seats
Planning Commission:	Three seats
Harbor Board:	Two seats
Library Board:	Two seats
Public Safety Board:	Three seats

As of Friday, August 12, 2016, the Clerk's office had received **five** total declaration of candidacy forms: one for the Mayor's seat, one for an Assembly seat, one for a School Board seat, one for a Planning Commission seat, and one for a Library Board seat. **5 out of 19 is only 26%** - Borough Clerk Thompson encourages all qualified Borough voters to take part in our Borough government by running for an empty seat on one of our boards or commissions. Questions? Contact Clerk Thompson at 772-5405.

- 3. Seeking Community Input on State Dock Issue:** The State of Alaska has offered to transfer ownership of the Papke's Landing dock, the Kupreanof dock, and the Entrance Island dock to the Petersburg Borough along with a lump sum payment of \$732,883 toward deferred maintenance. Condition assessments were recently performed that estimates the cost to bring the Papke's Landing dock to a safe and usable condition at \$1,050,000 and \$1,395,000 for the Kupreanof dock. The Borough Assembly is still seeking input from the community regarding acceptance or denial of the State's offer. A questionnaire on the issue is available for printing off the Borough's website ([www.petersburgak.gov](http://www.petersburgak.gov)) or can be picked up at any Borough office, from the City of Kupreanof Clerk, or from the Papke's Landing Public Notice Board. The plan is to address this issue after the October municipal election.
- 4. Notice of Proposed Issuance of an Alaska Pollutant Discharge Elimination System General Permit:** The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation is planning to reissue a general permit for discharges from the application of pesticides as the current permit issued by the EPA in 2011 expires on October 31, 2016. Public comments will be accepted
- 5. AML.** The Alaska Municipal League Summer Legislative Conference will be held in Wasilla, Alaska, August 16-19, 2016. Registration forms and more information can be found at [www.akml.org](http://www.akml.org).
- 6. Southeast Conference.** A reminder that the 2016 Southeast Conference and Annual Membership Meeting will be held here in Petersburg September 20-22. Information about the meeting can be found at [www.seconference.org](http://www.seconference.org).