Mayor's Report

February 3, 2020 Assembly Meeting

- 1. **Welcome Governor Dunleavy:** Governor Dunleavy and a few of his staff are in town today meeting with community leaders and groups. He will hold a public presentation at the high school gym tonight from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Please welcome Governor Dunleavy to our community.
- 2. Seeking Letters of Interest: The Assembly is seeking letters of interest from Borough residents to serve on the Public Safety Advisory Board until the October, 2020 Municipal Election.
 - Letters of interest may be mailed to Clerk Thompson at PO Box 329, Petersburg, AK 99833, emailed to dthompson@petersburgak.gov, or dropped off at the Clerk's office in the Municipal Building at 12 S. Nordic Drive. For more information, please contact Clerk Thompson at 772-5405.
- **3. Southeast Conference Mid-Session Summit:** The Southeast Conference will hold its Mid-Session Summit in Juneau February 4 5, 2020. The Assembly approved travel to the conference for one member in this year's budget. Mayor Jensen will attend the conference on behalf of the Borough.
- 4. Alaska Municipal League Winter Legislative Conference: Mayor Jensen, Assembly Member Lynn, and possibly Manager Giesbrecht, will be traveling to Juneau for the AML Legislative Conference to be held February 18 20, 2020.
- **5. February 18, 2020 Regular Assembly Meeting:** With Mayor Jensen, Assembly Member Lynn and possibly Manager Giesbrecht in Juneau for the AML Winter Legislative Conference, will we still have a quorum of the Assembly for our 6:00 p.m. meeting on February 18th?
- Mayor Jensen and Clerk Thompson were both under the impression that Assembly Members speaking on subjects not on an agenda under Assembly Discussion Items was a borderline violation of the Open Meetings Act (OMA) because the subject would not have been noticed to the public. At the last meeting, Clerk Thompson gave instructions to Assembly Members who may have subjects they would like to discuss that were not added to the published agenda to make an amendment adding the subject to the agenda under agenda item 4 Amendment and Approval of Meeting Agenda. It turns out discussing subjects not on the published agenda is not a violation of the OMA. There is an action item under New Business for the Assembly to determine how they want to handle these discussion topics in the future.