

Borough Manager's Report Assembly Meeting 19 November 2018

- Harbor staff continues to work with the USACE on drafting the South Harbor dredging feasibility study. The second (of 4) in-water survey is being conducted Nov 16-19th.
- The maintenance team spent last week re-decking much of the North Harbor Skiff Float after receiving the marine treated lumber ordered in early July, the rest will be decked when the final order is received hopefully in early spring.
- On 11/14 Harbor maintenance and Piston and Rudder took the Large Crane offline for servicing as scheduled. It will remain offline until after the first of the year. The small crane will be operating during this time.
- Reid Brothers is busy installing a partial new float system at Kupreanof this week. Install includes new main float and pilings.
- Thanks to the Streets crew for our annual community tree; decorations to follow! The PMPL crew will be working on stringing lights for the tree and Matt Bryner is once again the lead volunteer that helps with testing the light strings and supplying the strings to the work crew.
- Decolonizing Alaska, a multimedia art exhibit featuring 30 Alaska artists, is on display at the library and museum until Nov 30. The exhibit is sponsored by Trading Union and the Petersburg Community Foundation.
- An application has been submitted for the Alaska State Library Internship program. Our plan is to use the intern to perform a user experience analysis on the library to help improve our services in the summer of 2019.
- The Library has received an Institute for Museum and Library Services Basic Grant to purchase material for the library's collection and host facilitated service planning with board and staff in 2019. The grant is applied for in partnership with the Petersburg Indian Association.
- Wastewater staff started a schedule of regular monthly preventative maintenance on the Municipal Building sewer line to prevent any backups. The WW crew runs a small pressure rodder out to the street and then building maintenance personnel flush the system to remove any buildup that was dislodged during the rodding of the line. This will be done every month until the line can be dug up and repaired in the spring. The process takes about 15 minutes for the rodding, and flushing lasts about an hour.
- The Blind Slough Hydro Evaluation project is ongoing. We have received the final draft of the Condition Assessment. Due to the contents of the report describing the details of critical infrastructure, the Executive Summary and Recommendations sections are being provided to the Assembly for their general information. A controlled, full copy of the 130 page report will be made available and kept at the Manager's Office for Assembly Members to read at that location if there is interest.

- The entire PMPL staff attended a safety training session on November 9th. The trainer covered many areas including confined spaces, lock out/tag out, grounding, arc flash, job briefings, cold related injuries and illnesses and pole top rescue. The training was excellent.
- During the drafting of this report a wind storm sent a tree through the distribution line near the dead-end pole across the highway from the hatchery. The pole has heavy damage and the line crew will commence repairs in the daylight Wednesday morning. It is likely that the department will need to replace the entire pole, which is made very difficult by the fact that the location is not served by a road and is about 200' from the highway in a soft muskeg area. The hatchery and homes are on their own backup power source until this line can be fixed. Early estimates by the crew are that we'll be able to get it back up and running by Friday (3 days) at the latest.
- ♦ Officer Wolf attended SART training (Sexual Assault Response Training) which was funded by W.A.V.E.
- Officer Waechter is working with the Petersburg Medical Center and EMS on the active shooter exercise at PMC scheduled for December 12, 2018.
- The Petersburg Police Department is working with the USCG on hosting Active Shooter drills in Petersburg. These drills will involve up to 5 USCG Cutter vessels, Petersburg Police Department, Petersburg Harbor Department, Petersburg EMS and Petersburg Medical Center. Law enforcement agencies from around the state may also attend. We're still working on the dates for the drill, possibly in February.
- All Star basketball was successful at the gym. Wrangell won 3 out of 4 games unfortunately, but the kids had fun. We headed to Wrangell this past weekend, for a comeback try.
- Viking Swim Club also held November Rain. They did a fabulous job hosting the other teams and working with the staff. We had a full Community Center and all went well.
- Breakfast with Santa is coming up on Saturday 12/15. We are seeking volunteers to run a game booth or table. Please contact Sarah Phillips at <u>sphillips@petersburgak.gov</u> if interested.
- ♦ Halloween Hustle & the Fall Fest 5k were both great events, with good turnout.
 - We partnered with the hospital for the Halloween Hustle, the kids paraded over to Long Term care and came back to the gym for dancing, food, and games. The staff did a great job and really brought out their creativity to make it a blast for all.
 - The Fall Fest 5k was a great event partnered with WAVE for the Let Me Run kids group. Adults participated as well. The winner was the person who came closest to their estimated guess. Even though it was pouring down raining, the kids had smiles and were able to jump around on the bounce houses afterward.
- So many projects have been completed over the last month. The team has been busy outside and inside, including trail work, burials, fence rebuilding at Ira II, installing a new chlorine feeder for the lap pool, fixing lights, finalizing OSHA requirements, subbing for the Manor while JJ was out, and many more items.