Leon L. Kiana City Manager Report November 17, 2022

<u>Project Sponsorship for Community Transportation Program Application and</u> <u>Maintenance Commitment</u> was first presented to you in May 2022. There was a Resolution presented to you for consideration which reads:

A resolution declaring the eligibility of the City of Aniak, Alaska to submit an application to the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (ADOT&PF) for the Community Transportation Program for the Aniak Downtown Roads Stormwater Drainage Project in the City of Aniak and authorizing the City Manager, Diana Lehman to sign the application and future Project agreements.

I still need to know – do you want me to continue pursuing this project? Having read Diana's notes and correspondence with both the State office and with Lisa Murkowski's office, this may be a doable project with the help of Murkowski's office.

Missy and I did attend the CDBG onsite training on Oct 18th & 19th whereby we how to better prepare closing out the Planning and Design portion of the Elder/Library facility. We also got a better understanding on how to get assistance for submitting a grant proposal for the construction of the facility. That grant proposal is due on Dec 2nd and the grant amount is up to \$850,000.

While I was in Anchorage, I attended a free ANA Grants training for Project Planning and Development put on by the Alaska Region Training & Technical Assistance Center. Training was on Monday Oct 24th through Wednesday Oct 26th. This training provided "real time" experience of "success and failures" by those in attendance. They also shared their continued efforts to refine and rework their proposal to comply with the funding agencies. Some of the "barriers" experienced were mainly in how they worded their needs. With simple rewording on their needs and how to accomplish their desired results, made all the difference in getting their projects awarded.