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SWAMC Conference and Annual Meeting - Report

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Hi Lori:

Can you include this in the next council packet please - in the information section will be fine.

The SWAMC Conference and annual meeting was held March 4-5. It was excellent despite being all virtual via Zoom. They contracted with Information Insights for all of the technical support and they did a great job, even broke the group into separate "rooms" for sub-region caucuses and then transported us back into the group session seamlessly. Alaska Airlines also participated with some software that was new to me to entertain the group with prize drawings (participants had to log into a specific site and answer random questions).

The topics and speakers were great and SWAMC plans to post all (or as many as they are technically able) to their website at some point in the next few weeks. Here is the program <https://swamc.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/Conference-Program-2021.pdf>

Five resolutions were adopted by the membership:

FY21-01 A RESOLUTION BY THE SOUTHWEST ALASKA MUNICIPAL CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP SUPPORTING THE RESTORATION OF FY21 SOUTHCOAST REGION HIGHWAYS AND AVIATION FUNDING DECREMENT AND RETENTION OF RURAL AIRPORTS AND MAINTENANCE BY THE STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC FACILITIES (DOT&PF)

FY21-02 A RESOLUTION BY THE SOUTHWEST ALASKA MUNICIPAL CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP REQUESTING THE ALASKA LEGISLATURE AND GOVERNOR TO ADEQUATELY FUND THE ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH & GAME (ADF&G) BUDGET AND PARTICULARLY THE DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

FY21-03 A RESOLUTION BY THE SOUTHWEST ALASKA MUNICIPAL CONFERENCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO PRESERVE THE POWER COST EQUALIZATION ENDOWMENT FUND FOR ITS INTENDED PURPOSE OF ASSISTING ALASKANS AND ALASKAN COMMUNITIES WITH THE HIGH COST OF ELECTRICITY

FY21-04 A RESOLUTION BY THE SOUTHWEST ALASKA MUNICIPAL CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP SUPPORTING THE FUNDING OF THE ALASKA MARINE HIGHWAY SYSTEM OPERATING BUDGET AT SUSTAINABLE LEVELS UNTIL REFORM RECOMMENDATIONS ARE ENACTED AND MAINTAINING FUNDING FOR REPLACEMENT OF THE M/V TUSTUMENA

FY21-05 A RESOLUTION BY THE SOUTHWEST ALASKA MUNICIPAL CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP SUPPORTING A PROGRESSIVE GRADUATED STATEWIDE INCOME TAX AS PART OF A SUSTAINABLE BUDGET FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA

The elections for board seats resulted in the re-election of Mary Swain to one of the Bristol Bay municipal seats and me (representing BBEDC) to the Bristol Bay associate seat. Myra Olson holds the other Bristol Bay municipal seat and her term was not expiring so she remains on the board. Joe Sullivan and Glen Gardiner were elected to the At Large seats on the Board. Both have served on the board previously. The Board will hold a post-conference meeting on March 8 for election of officers and it is the Aleutian/Pribilof region's turn to hold the seat of President.

The 2022 meeting dates were established as March 3-4, 2022 and planned to be held at the Captain Cook Hotel.

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***Alice Ruby, Mayor
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