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MEMORANDUM

Date: 3/28/2023
To: Lori Goodell, Acting City Manager
From: Patty Buholm, Planning Department
Subject: Monthly Report – FEBRUARY 2023

Acknowledgements and Recognitions:

I appreciate the collaboration with the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium's (ANTHC) Maicel Fuhriman and Cy Two Elk for partnering with the Planning Department to complete the Alaska Community Housing Assessment (ACHA) in Dillingham. A special thanks to both Curyung Tribal Council and the Native Village of Ekuk Tribe for being project supporters during this effort to complete the ACHA within Dillingham.

A huge "Thank You" to thank all the community members that welcomed myself and Maicel as we showed up on doorsteps or called by phone as we completed this section of the assessment. This assessment would not be successful without your participation.

Department Accomplishment and Opportunities:

I was able to attend a 5-day training session in Anchorage for Floodplain Management Training. An overhaul of the floodplain information on the City website and all associated documents have been and will continue with correction as they are both in need of improvement.

Projects – Progress and Public Impacts:

- Maicel Fuhriman from ANTHC traveled to Dillingham on February 11th and assisted the Planning Department with the door-to-door portion of the Housing Assessment. The assessment started on Saturday (3/11/23), then ran through until the plane departed on Wednesday 2/15/2023. Many homes were visited and applications for the ANTHC Scattered Sites were given to residents who stated they were experiencing either well or septic issues. Other issues that were discussed were address corrections, owner corrections, were the well or sewer shared with neighbors or other residential units on the property, are the residents tied into City Infrastructure (water or sewer), and if any corrections needed to be noted by request of the property owner, mostly address corrections. This will be an ongoing process until Maicel's last day at ANTHC on 4/12/2023.

- Wastewater Lagoon Generator has been purchased and I have been working with Raven Electric on the final details of this project, including the concrete pad that will need to be engineered for the weight of the generator and fuel tank as well as the stub-ups that will need to be installed for the incoming/outgoing power lines.
- Raven Electric will be in Dillingham sometime in March to complete the cut-over of power from overhead to the already buried lines in the Dock area to eliminate the power poles that are in the Dock lot area.
- Cross Training occurred on 2/22/23 for the Burial Permitting with Clara Chapman from Public Works and with Greta Hayden-Pless and Kelsa Brandenburg from Human Resources/Administration to cover while I was away at the Floodplain Management Training.

Upcoming Calendar Items: The March Planning Commission meeting was canceled.

Public Feedback:

Permits Issued: one Burial

Land Use Permit:

Floodplain Permit:

List of Attachments: ACHA flyer



ALASKA COMMUNITY HOUSING ASSESSMENT Dillingham

The goal of this project is to update rural Alaskan community housing information in order to accurately represent the current status of sanitation facilities to federal, state and local funding agencies. Accurate housing and sanitation data is required for sanitation funding eligibility. This project will identify the number of occupied homes in Dillingham and their current water and wastewater systems. It is currently being developed at the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium (ANTHC).

How will the information be collected?

The data for this project will be collected via community collaboration City of Dillingham. A historical map and corresponding table will be used to verify the number of occupied homes in Dillingham.

Why is this information important?

When funding agencies consider funding a sanitation facility project in Dillingham, the number of homes and types of water and wastewater systems are reviewed. However, many times this information is outdated, misrepresenting the current state of sanitation facilities to funding agencies. By updating this information, funding agencies and ANTHC will have a current understanding of the state of sanitation facilities in Dillingham.



Project Supporters:
Curyung Tribal Council
Ekuk Village Council
Project Collaborator: City of Dillingham

*Thank you for participating in this project.
We look forward to working with you.*

ANTHC Dillingham Project Manager: Cy Two Elk Office: (907) 729-4097 · Email: catwoelk@anthc.org



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Acknowledgements and Recognitions:

A special thanks to Basil Tilden in the Finance Department for the assistance in updating the MARS property cards. The MARS software is critical to having correct land ownership in the City Maps.

United Tribes of Bristol Bay (UTBB) did an excellent job on putting together and executing a Sustainability Summit in March, thanks to all that made this summit inclusive with the presentations and many resources that affected Class 1 Cities.

Department Accomplishment and Opportunities:

While in Anchorage for the Floodplain Management course, I was able to meet with Tyler Ellingboe with Bristol Environmental to check on the status of the Landfill Groundwater Wells Monitoring status and introduce myself to Tyler. At this time there are no new developments as he is also waiting for a response from the Alaska DEC if the wells still have to be monitored quarterly or bi-annually.

Attended the UTBB Sustainability Summit on March 23 – 24, 2023. Many local and regional participants were in attendance. This summit was extremely beneficial to attend as many at the summit shared ideas and resources.

Projects – Progress and Public Impacts:

- Maicel Fuhriman from ANTHC and I continue to meet on a weekly basis in an attempt to complete the housing assessment (ACHA) for Dillingham. We are continuing to call people, and I do “site visits” with her on the phone so our information is as accurate as possible.
- An email was sent to Bristol Engineers in request of engineering a concrete pad for the generator that will be located at the Wastewater Lagoon. Due to the weight and specifications of the arctic cover, it is best to have the pad engineered.
- Raven Electric is in Dillingham now 3/28/23 through 3/31/23 to complete the cut-over to underground power for the Dock and Sea Inn. The poles will be stripped of the overhead lines by Nushagak Cooperatives and will be removed later, after the

snow and ground thaw enough to remove. This will increase the usable land area for Dock crew for storage of containers/freight while unloading barges.

- Communication with the Green Star program has been frequent. Conversations surround aspects of the Landfill findings and what improvements can be made. With the assistance of the Green Star program director, Joy Britt, a submission for \$4,719,678.00 was made through the Murkowski Appropriation. This will be third on the list for requests from the City of Dillingham, however very much needed. I do realize there is a slim chance of receiving the funding, but I will continue to be hopeful that the funding is awarded.
- I continue to work with the Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation, Environmental Health Office, the Public Health Commissioned Corp Officers, and ANTHC to increase the Best Practice Scores that affect the water and wastewater scores so additional funding opportunities become available to the City of Dillingham. Public Works Department and the Water/Wastewater Operator have been instrumental in increasing this score.
- The FEMA Floodplain training brought to light that more public outreach and education needs to occur in Dillingham about building and floodplains. I am working with Scott Van Hoff of FEMA to come to Dillingham in the early part of April to complete education on Building Codes, building within the Floodplain, and general education for Floodplain Insurance requirements as Dillingham is a participating member of the National Floodplain Insurance Program (NFIP).
- The land commercial assessment that was completed by the Alaska Appraisal and Consulting Group in April 2022 was delayed. They are on the final stages of completing the Commercial Appraisal of the Harbor properties. Once these are finalized, I will share the reports.
- I continue to work with updating the City Map, correcting addresses, with Alaska Map Company. Gary Greenburg, owner/operator of Alaska Map Company does plan on a site visit to Dillingham to train staff how to correct issues with the map, upload correct locations of manholes, fire hydrants, etc. Both the iPads and the Trimble were mailed to Gary to be updated with the newest software and check the accuracy of the Trimble. The tripod for the Trimble is now missing so another one will have to be ordered as the Trimble will not give accurate readings without it.
- The Harbor Dredging Contract went out for bid by the Army Corp of Engineers, and a Preconstruction Conference was held on March 17, 2023. One contractor was present for the pre-construction meeting. Once I am notified the contract has been awarded, I will share those results.

Upcoming Calendar Items:

FEMA public education, April 2023

Public Feedback: Many thankful phone calls for the Public Works and clearing snow.

Permits Issued: one, Burial

Land Use Permit:

Floodplain Permit:

List of Attachments: Floodplain Management Trip Report, UTBB Flyer

2023 Bristol Bay Sustainability Summit Agenda

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Day 1	March 23	
Time	Presentation	Speaker & Organization
8:00 AM	Registration Opens & Continental Breakfast	XX
8:30-9:00	Opening Remarks & Welcome	MC- Curyung/City of Dillingham/Summit Co-Sponsors
9:00-9:15	Yuraq Performance	DMHS Yup'ik Dancers
9:15-9:45	Keynote Address	AlexAnna Salmon, Igiugig Village Council
Community Economics & Quality of Life		
9:45-10:25	Community Development Through Community Planning	Shanna Zuspan & Tanya Iden, Principal::Owners, Agnew::Beck Consulting
10:25-10:45	Resources for Tribal and Municipal Governments	Erin Reinders, Alaska Municipal League
10:45-11:00	Coffee Break- Sponsored by: Ocean Beauty Seafoods	
11:00-12:00	Breakout Sessions	
Option #1	Community Infrastructure: Housing Breakout-- <i>in HS Gym</i>	
11:00-11:15	Housing and Urban Development	Brenda Akelkok, Bristol Bay Housing Authority, Executive Director
11:15-11:30	Access to safe, quality, affordable housing in Alaska	Daniel Delfino, Alaska Housing Finance
11:30-11:45	Water & Sewer Infrastructure Planning	George Larsen, BBAHC Environmental Health Program
11:45-12:00	Sanitation Infrastructure and ANTHC Community Assistance	Victoria Jelderks, ANTHC DEHE, Senior Project Manager
Option #2	Infrastructure Funding Sources Breakout -- <i>at Curyung Tribal Center</i>	
11:00-11:20	Infrastructure Funding Strategy	Erik OBrien, Denail Commission
11:20-11:40	DOT & PF Projects	Judy Chapman, State of AK DOT&PF, Deputy Director of Planning
11:40-12:00	Update on federal infrastructure opportunities	Erin Reinders, Alaska Municipal League
12:00-1:00	Lunch Provided	
1:00-2:00	Breakout Sessions	
Option #1	Small Business Funding Sources & Opportunities -- <i>at Curyung Tribal Center</i>	
1:00-1:15	BBNC 8(a) Program	Romina Bentz, Bristol Bay Native Corporation Vice President Government Contracting
1:15-1:30	McKinley Alaska Growth Capital	Julie Woodworth & Madison Binkley, McKinley Alaska Growth Capital
1:30-1:45	Alaska Division of Investments Business Development Resources	Sandra Holst, Alaska Division of Investments
1:45-2:00	AKSBDC Resources for small business development	Jon Bittner, Alaska Small Business Development Center
Option #2	Small Business Panel -- <i>in MS Gym</i>	
1:00-2:00	Fritze Furs	Annie & Todd Fritze
	JD Sales & Services	JD Bennis
	Triple L Repair	JJ Larson, part owner
	Bristol Bayking	Kyrstin Arellano
Option #3	Energy: Nuyakak Hydroelectric Project Update, Renewable Energy Resources -- <i>in HS Gym</i>	
1:00-1:20	UAF Sustainable Energy Program and Our Community	Eric Goddard and Chandler Kemp, University of Alaska Bristol Bay Campus, Assistant Professors of Sustainable Energy
1:20-1:40	Clean Energy Development In Bristol Bay and Beyond	Brian Hirsch, DeerStone Consulting, CEO
1:40-2:00	Nuyakuk Hydro Electric Project Update	Will Chaney, Nushagak Cooperative & Cory Warnock, McMillen
2:00-2:15	Coffee Break- Sponsored by: Ocean Beauty Seafoods	
Education Employment & Training		
2:15-3:00	Small Business Development Resources	Madison Binkley & Julie Woodworth, McKinley Alaska Growth Capital
3:00-3:30	Caliaq Program- Regional Youth Employment Program	Annie Fritze, BBNC
3:30-4:00	Cuilistet Program- Young Leaders Program	Kristina Andrew, BBNA
4:00-4:15	UAF Bristol Bay Campus Tribal Governance Program	Laura Zimin, Assistant Professor UAF Tribal Governance Program
4:15-5:10	Bristol Bay regional WFD Consortium	Carol Wren & Casey Sifsos, BBNC
5:10-5:15	Closing Remarks - Door Prizes	
5:30-6:15	Action Planning & Support Session *optional*	
6:30-8:00	Cultural Celebration & Feast @ DHS Gym	

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Day 2	March 24	
Time	Presentation <small><i>*all presentations will be held in HS Gym unless otherwise noted*</i></small>	Speaker & Organization
8:00 AM	Registration Opens & Continental Breakfast	XX
8:30-8:45	Welcome Back & Door Prizes!	MC
Community & Cultural Wellbeing		
8:45-10:00	Why We Hurt	Opioid Prevention Team, BBAHC
10:00-10:45	Small Group Reflections	Opioid Prevention Team, BBAHC
10:45-11:00	Coffee Break- Sponsored by: Trident Seafoods	
11:00-11:15	BBNCEF- Cultural & Language Revitalization	Kay Larson-Blair, BBNCEF Cultural Heritage Program Officer
11:15-11:30	Iliamna Communities Teaching Culture Through Native Language	Atkiq Ilutsik-Snyder, Igiugig Career Counselor
11:30-12:00	Dialogue Circles: Community & Regional Recommendations	UTBB/BBAHC/BBNCEF
12:00-1:00	Lunch Provided	
Our Lands and Waters		
1:00-1:30	Climate change and Bristol Bay fisheries-what should we expect and what can we do about it?	Daniel Schindler, Professor of Aquatic and Fisheries Sciences, University of Washington
1:30-2:00	Board of Fish 2022/23 Report	Gary Cline, BBEDC Regional Fisheries Director
2:00-2:30	Where to now? Renewing conversations on restoring fisheries access in Bristol Bay	Rachel Donkersloot, PhD- Coastal Cultures Research
2:30-2:45	Coffee Break- Sponsored by: Trident Seafoods	
2:45-3:15	Bristol Bay National Wetlands Inventory	Daniel Cheyette, BBNC Senior VP Lands & Resources & Sydney Thielke, USFWS Wetlands Regional Director
3:15-3:45	Community-Based Environmental Monitoring in Bristol Bay	Mary Hostetter & Bill Kane, Igiugig Village Tribal Stewards
4:00-4:30	Permanent Protections for Bristol Bay & What's Next	Alannah Hurley, UTBB Executive Director & Matt Newman, NARF Senior Staff Attorney
4:30-4:45	Closing Circles & Evaluations	Summit Planning Team
4:45-5:00	Closing Remarks/Door Prizes	MC



City of Dillingham Trip Report

1. Course/Class/Conference Name:

E0273: Managing Floodplain Development Through the NFIP

2. Date(s) attended/location:

Course Dates: 2/27/2023 through 3/03/2023

Course Location: Robert B Atwood Building

3. Participant(s):

Patty Buholm, Planning Director

4. Main topic(s):

Floodplain Development and Management

5. Detailed discussion of training/event:

This course reviewed the Floodplain Management and what details of being a Floodplain Manager's responsibilities. This training stressed the importance of how being a National Floodplain Insurance Program (NFIP) participating community affects the ability to apply for assistance during or after a flooding event.

6. How it could/will impact the City of Dillingham:

The National Floodplain Act was started in 1968 and the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973. The first visit to Dillingham by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in 1978. Studies including gathering stories of previous flood events, mapping and some aerals were completed. Over a course of 2 years (January 1977 – October 1979) and massive amounts of research were the development of the Floodplains maps in Dillingham.

Dillingham has been a participating member of the NFIP since the release of the maps and the Flood Insurance Study booklet in March of 1982.

NFIP is a program that was created by Congress with the main purposes of this is to reduce flood damage by limiting development in the identified floodplains and sharing knowledge of Insurance coverage, especially flooding.

If the NFIP is not enforced and permitting not followed, Dillingham could be moved to a probationary status or expelled from the NFIP. The NFIP does cover flood events when created by natural rise of water level. If Dillingham does not follow the NFIP standards, all insurance rates would increase within the floodplain. Homes located outside the floodplain may not have funding available and insurance for other homes or financially funded homes may be lost due to lending institutes making the NFIP a regular standard in insurance.

It is critical to implement the process' set by FEMA so these options are available to the community members of Dillingham.

7. Recommendations for the City of Dillingham:

- Update the all forms pertaining to the NFIP.
- Re-establish the process' set by Dillingham Municipal Code (DMC), Chapter 15.04 for the Floodplain Management.
- Re-establish the permitting process
- Public Outreach and Education for community members of Building Codes and Floodplain Insurance.

Signed: _____


Patty Buholm

Date: 3/20/2023