

- **Grants update:**

- GR Bridge Repairs and Embankment Stabilization – Denali Commission – 792.5K (79,490 match)
Update –We continue to work on a Scope, Sequence and Budget to receive the award agreement. Risk Assessment has been completed.
- Safe Streets 4 All Sidepath Planning Grant – Federal USDOT – 200K
Update – Jim Mackovjak and I met with AML. We finalized the forms to FHWA with assistance from AML, naming AML as subrecipient. The forms are now being reviewed by the SS4A program office and the Office of Acquisitions and Grants Management (HCFA). FHWA will contact us once we receive comments from the program office and HCFA.
- Brothers Helping Brothers – Lucas Device
Update- We are waiting to hear about a Rasmusson application for the additional 17K. They sent us an e-mail asking for additional information, so it is possible they are considering it. Also – I have e-mailed SERUMS for an update on their plan to submit a multiorganizational equipment grant to the USDA in which that amount would be included.
- National League of Cities – Advancing Economic Mobility - Match AP&T for heat pump acquisition - 20K
Update - Our extension request was approved, and Mike Taylor has helped review the applications for completeness and eligibility. Some people have a complete application, but others still need additional information. We hope to notify folks by Monday regarding the status of their application. Part of the grant requirement was to attend an in person convening in Washington DC. Since I cannot attend, and the NLC really wants a representative from each of the cohort group, Council Member Taylor has agreed to represent Gustavus. We will be reimbursed for the travel from NLC. He will take this opportunity to meet with our congressional delegation. I will meet with Brian to discuss talking points.
- Compost Facility
Update –We submitted/uploaded a SWIFR Grant for the next round of funding from the EPA. WE used the notes for improvement from the debrief from the first submittal to upgrade and enhance this application. They have retrieved it and have assigned a grants.gov tracking number. It was a big group effort between HDR, AML and us. John Barry and Ian updated costs and equipment quotes. We added the horizontal baler to this request since it was not funded under the recycling facility EPA/CDS, making the grant application amount a total of \$898,592. Additionally, we received notification from Senator Murkowski's office about the FY 26 CDS window and they requested I resubmit for FY26 with the baler as a separate request. AML may be submitting a combined CDS statewide request for equipment and so I will add the baler to that as well.
- DRC Recycling Center
Update - The EPA folks have reviewed the paperwork we submitted, and now we will upload the appropriate forms to grants.gov for the application.

- AFG- Water Tender
Update – The specs were updated from the original project description for more flexibility of capacity for water tank and hose connections. We just received approval on those changes submitted to FEMA and can now move forward with the procurement process.
- PIDP – 2M
Update- We were *not* awarded this grant for the study and engineering documents for a solution to mitigate the wave action on the floats/dock. There were several communities in Alaska who were awarded funding that were significantly more expensive projects than ours. I have requested a debrief from the granting agency MARAD with ADOT staff participating. I have not received a response yet for the meeting. We will resubmit to PIDP and also look at other sources of funding.
- GVFD Truck and Skid Unit
Update – Sol is working on getting quotes from various vendors.
- The Mayor and Council members Owens and Taylor and I continue to spend significant time on logistics and coordination of our efforts, along with other affected cities and the attorney, in formulating our Request for Reconsideration on the Xunaa Borough. We have now reviewed a comprehensive draft and are meeting to further review, refine and provide feedback.
- Roads – GBC is doing their best to keep our roads under control. It is very wet and frozen just beneath the surface, so the roads are hard to grade right now, and it is basically pointless to do so. I ask everyone to please remember to use the online reporting tool that goes to GBC to review if you have concerns, rather than calling City Hall. This prevents miscommunications with our Roads Contractor. That link can be found here: <https://www.gustavus-ak.gov/roads/webform/road-maintenance-concerns-reports> We also get copies of the reports.
- I spent the week of 12/9-13 at both the AMMA and AML Annual Conferences. If anyone wants to see any of the presentation materials, you can view them here: [Agenda - Annual Local Government Conference](#) Mayor McLaughlin has asked that we provide the survey results from the AML Business Meeting where everyone voted on their legislative priorities for this session. That document is attached to this report. You can also find AML's resolutions to the legislature document here: [Resolutions - Alaska Municipal League](#)
- Several other regular ongoing operational issues are dealt with as they arise.
- Any Council Questions or Comments