

- **Grant submissions update:**

- Good River Bridge Repairs and Embankment Stabilization – Denali Commission – 792,500 (79,490 match)

*Update – This was just approved.* We received notification on 8/26 from the Denali Commission for an award of 710,000. Our match will be 71K for that. We have yet to work out the details of how much, if any of that can be counted under an indirect rate and how much needs to come from our capital projects AMLIP account. We now need to submit a Scope, Budget and Risk Assessment Questionnaire in order to get the award agreement documents. We have a Zoom meeting with them Friday to review the process.

- Safe Streets 4 All Sidepath Planning Grant – Federal USDOT – 200K

*Update – This was approved.* We were just noticed last Thursday September 5<sup>th</sup> that we were selected as a recipient for the SS4A Grant Program. This has been a long time coming and we will now need to participate in a FWWA online seminar to learn the process leading to an executed grant agreement.

- Brothers Helping Brothers – Lucas Devise

*Update-* An application was submitted to Leary Firefighters Foundation for \$13,085. Decisions won't be made until the beginning of December. Note - This is not anything to do with me. However, Denis Leary- the actor who started the foundation - does hail from the same area of New England my father's side of the family.

- National League of Cities – Advancing Economic Mobility – Match AP&T for heat pump acquisition - 20K

*Update - This was approved.* We have received 3 applications so far. The publication and announcements have been made and we have participated in the first of the requisite coaching call meetings. We will be reaching out to GVA to send an announcement out to businesses. We need to design a questionnaire to send to recipients.

- CDS for Compost Facility –was moved by Senator Murkowski but is very preliminary at this time.

*No update -* Although the **\$596,000.00** project was included in the Senate committee appropriations bill, the committee bill still needs to pass the full Senate, and then the Senate and the House need to reconcile the different versions of the appropriations bills. Once that is done, the appropriations bills need to be passed and signed into law. They do not have a timeline on when this will occur.

- Crossett Foundation Salmon River Park Phase II Playground Expansion Pathway – 20K **Funded**

*Update -* We are awaiting the payment from Crossett and Chuck Schroth is beginning the project this week.

- AFG- Water Tender

*Update – Funded!* Now begins the work of filling out all the FEMA documentation in order to receive the grant award. I have a question submitted to them before we complete the grant paperwork regarding whether or not we can use the de minimis indirect cost rate towards our local match. In the meantime, you have before you an NCO for the required match. Whether or not we can use the 10 percent indirect rate towards our cost share, we may still need that amount towards the purchase price.

- PIDP – 2M

*No update* - This project will advance the planning and design for a critical small boat harbor system in the rural town of Gustavus, Alaska. This grant will fund a feasibility study and preliminary design to at least 35%, to include a Federal NEPA document. Award announcements are expected around Oct. - Nov.

- The GVFD Truck and Skid Unit

*Update* – The paperwork was submitted from our end and grant agreement has been received from DCCED and is fully executed. Now we need to write up instructions for a quote for vehicle and other equipment.

- Marine Facilities Update – Please welcome Kenn MacGowan as the new Marine Facilities Coordinator. Kenn brings some good experience to this position as he used to be the Fish and Game Creel Census data collection person down at the floats and is familiar with the charter fleet and the facility. We are happy to have him on board.
- The Cybersecurity Assessment report from Structured is complete and Sol, Liesl and I participated in an overview of the assessment with our Managed Services Provider ATS. We now need to have another session with remaining staff and any council members who may be interested. We will need to work with Alaska Technical Solutions and Structured with any implementation plans going forward.
- On August 21<sup>st</sup> Councilman Taylor and I, along with Justin Marchbanks from Glacier Bay Construction, Lee Parker from Frontier Freight and Julene Kearns on behalf of the charter fleet and Wilson Road interests, participated in an all-day Transportation Workshop at the Admin meeting room at Bartlett Cove. Council Member Mackovjak joined us a little later to talk about the SS4A and sidepath. The NPS was represented by Joni Seay, Acting Deputy Superintendent. There were ADOT planners and other ADOT representatives such as AMHS director and the Southcoast Region Director either present or on Zoom. There were also FHWA representatives who participated. Britta Hamre from AML facilitated the discussion. We reviewed our transportation projects and needs and then were presented an overview of Funding Opportunities and resources, many of which were agencies to which we had already submitted a funding request. Since then, we have received two notifications of awards. We additionally determined priorities for transportation funding applications and took a deep dive on a few of the projects. Both Lee and Justin as commercial enterprises contributed a lot of information and concerns. A follow-up report from the meeting will be forthcoming from AML.
- We continue to work on the permitting process and draft work plan and budget for the DRC recycling center project. There are many bases to cover to get the grant funds being approved by the EPA.
- The RFQ for Same Old Road remains on hold. We continue to have a dialogue with a couple of the residents who live on that road to come up with solutions. Some gravel has already been added to the one area that retains the most water.

I attended the Alaska Municipal League summer meeting in Kodiak. The Alaska Municipal Management Association (AMMA), which I also attended, held their meeting there ahead of the AML Summer Legislative Conference. This meeting provided a valuable platform for municipal leaders from across the state to share their current challenges and successes. AML then facilitated discussions about several concerns which included staffing, Infrastructure, transportation, education, cybersecurity and housing. There was also a discussion of successes and best practice presentations from City Managers from various municipalities. We also gathered information to prepare AML's priorities, resolutions policy and position statements, to be collated and presented at the December Annual meeting.

- Council questions or comments?
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