

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT JULY Work Session

- Continue to meet regularly with Tom and/or Mike on projects and various reporting mechanisms.
- Reviewed more of Tom's email folders so he could acquaint me with various ongoing issues in which the city is involved.
- Reviewed and provided feedback to Paul on the updated DRC operator position.
- Worked with Eduarda to review our annual insurance policies.
- Continue to take part in project meetings such as the intertie progress with NPS and AP&T. Additionally, met with the Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management, the state agency, for transition from FEMA to state in moving forward with requisite paperwork and management oversight for the various mitigation projects. Met on the potential hydrology study grant.
- Collaborated with troopers and our attorney on a few issues that are sensitive in nature and have not yet been resolved. This has taken up quite a substantial amount of time.
- Continue to look at procurement and other processes with the hope of streamlining some to make less work. See credit card policy procedure change.
- Worked with clerk to facilitate messaging to the community to rally folks on planning the 4th of July activities. Special thanks to Robynn Jones for coordinating those who sponsored and who volunteered.
- Met with Mike, Sol, and Dr. Vaught to discuss GVFD training and SEARHC partnership. What to expect with the advent of the new clinic coming up. A more current MOU or other instrument will be in order.
- I continue to communicate with individuals, businesses, and agencies on the lack of phone service issues in Gustavus. ACS going out has been an additional challenge. I contacted the governor's office about this and how our fire chief had to drive down the road to contact the troopers the evening of the 4th of July due to lack of coverage at the beach. I've sent technical and other information to Senator Murkowski's office to facilitate a conversation around potential funding for the city to look at their own tower. This whole issue will be a long and involved process, like swimming upstream, but we are committed to doing what we can to improve the situation.

I apologize for my absence at tonight's meeting, but this trip was planned for prior to my employment and I'm 4 hours ahead here on the eastern seaboard of Canada. I'm happy to answer any questions if anyone cares to send an email.