

TO: Mayor and Common Council

From: Glenn Steckman

RE: Final Manager's Report

9/1/2024

Historic Preservation Plan:

After an update by Bryant Hammond and myself, I requested a review by Council member Sig Tapqaq of the plan. I recognize this plan has become controversial, but the plan is only about preservation of buildings and historic sites. This plan is not about the proper historical role of indigenous peoples of the Sitnausuk region. I am not sure at this point how to address the perspectives. Sig has requested help from UAF graduate students.

Emergency Operation Plan:

After not being satisfied that the EOP did not address issues that I thought were important for Nome, I reached out to Katmai Solutions for a review of the updated plan done for free by Tom Vaden. I requested that Chief West, FF Hunter Bellamy, Kevin Knowlton, Paul Kosto and LEPC Chair Tom Vaden meet with me and representatives from Katmai. After further discussion by the group outside of the meeting, they have recommended hiring Katmai to update the plan and include cyber-security and pandemic protocols. The cost to update the is \$19,295.00. If grant funding is sought, it could increase the costs because the new vendor would want to go through the original review which cost around \$3,500.00.

Hazard Mitigation Plan:

This update has been the most frustrating with mixed signals from the State of Alaska Homeland Security. AHS has said that they will find a vendor to update the plan. Then it became AHS will provide the grant funding for Nome to hire a vendor. Then it became AHS will find the vendor. I will try to find where the State of Alaska is on this issue.

Ambulances:

NSHC, under the terms of the MOA, was to return Medic One by July 1 and Medic Two by the summer 2025. As of 9/1/24, Medic One has not been returned and NSHC wants to give back Medic Two. While this is not a big issue, I wanted to keep you informed.

Dates to remember:

Fall Clean-Up: September 16-20

Christmas Extravaganza Thursday, December 5th

AML Conference December 8-12th.

Vehicles:

The Rec Center vehicle (vintage 2001) caught fire and has been replaced by a late model former police truck. Two new vehicles arrived, a NPD Expedition and an Admin Expedition budgeted in the 2023/2024 year. The new Explorer for the port, budgeted for 2024/2025, may arrive on the last barge of the season. Next spring a new NPD Expedition and Public Works Ranger are due.

Grader:

Nickie was working very hard to get last minute paperwork done for the new grader to be shipped to Nome.