



**Borough Manager's Report  
Assembly Meeting 18 February 2025**

- ❖ Annual Report from our Emergency Services Department is available for anyone who wishes to review. See Aaron at the Fire Hall and online.
- ❖ Paddle Safety Class was A-Mazing!! We will investigate getting a self and assisted rescue practice night in the pool for those of us who have found that we are a bit out of shape!
- ❖ Trying to keep people from throwing items into the pond to freeze. Anyone missing a walker?
- ❖ Mid-day aquatic strength training class has been going great!
- ❖ There has been a lot of traffic through the harbor office looking at the Scow Bay Plans and the American Cruise Line proposal. Thanks to Kirsten Meira from ACL who joined us at the Town Hall Meeting.
- ❖ We had a good turnout for USCG Dockside Exams last week. Thank you to the safety inspectors that annually come to town prior to the tanner opening to perform them and our very own Desi Burrell, who as part of the local CG Auxiliary, has trained to be an examiner.
- ❖ All Departments are working on Budget preparation for next years budget. Very challenging.
- ❖ The line crew continues to be busy with service installs, tree trimming and a pole move.
- ❖ We still have not received word on when the Section 243 grant, Tribal Grid Resiliency grant and Scow Bay funding will be released to the Borough or if they will be retained by the Administration.
- ❖ Staff was able to successfully employ our diesel plant to cover peak loads during the colder temperatures recently. This duty is shared by PMPL and WMLP to cover the “north end” communities that are served by SEAPA. The diesel run was short lived but necessary, nonetheless.
- ❖ Karl is recovering from his accident and extends his thanks to his staff for keeping the community's lights on and heaters working through the cold snap.
- ❖ There was a nice write up about Petersburg's PRADU program (Permit Ready Accessory Dwelling Units) in the latest issue of Alaska Business Monthly.
- ❖ Filling potholes, pruning trees as the weather allows.
- ❖ Finishing up the final vehicle inspections to determine replacement/service extension for the Motor Pool.

- ❖ Along with SE Windowcraft, installed a new windshield in one of the school's Viking buses.
- ❖ New rain gutters and downspouts have been installed on the front of the Baler facility. Rainwater will eventually be underground across the street to alleviate the constant erosion and potholing on the road's driving surface.
- ❖ Mattingly Electric has replaced 3 surge protectors on the Municipal Building's HVAC controls. Still waiting on a PCB board for the heat pump.
- ❖ Working on Fire Safety Self Inspections for APEI
- ❖ Assisted P&R in replacing a leaky flange on the pool's sand filter.
- ❖ New steel exterior doors have been ordered to replace two at the Water Plant that are aged and degrading
- ❖ Water delivery requests beyond our distribution system are increasing and are much more challenging in the cold weather
- ❖ Assistant Director Marohl is preparing for a sealed bid auction of several surplus vehicles.
- ❖ The library's annual inventory closure is scheduled for Monday March 3 – Thursday March 6
- ❖ Upcoming programs at the library include Teen Game Night, Robotics for Kids, and Folk Art Painting with Pia Reilly and Felt Garlands with MaryAnn Rainey, and Rainforest Writers with Orin Pierson. More information at [psglib.org](http://psglib.org)
- ❖ 22 interviews with residents are now available on the library's Homegrown Conversations podcast, airing every Tuesday evening at 6:30pm on KFSK. These interviews were recorded last spring by Tim Shumway's senior Alaska History class at PHS. Topics include commercial fishing, the history of main street, logging and more. Listen to the podcast at [psglib.org/podcast](http://psglib.org/podcast)
- ❖ Property assessments will be mailed at the end of the month. Property owners will have one month to appeal. More information can be found on the back side of the assessment notice. It is the responsibility of the property owner to update the finance department of any changes to the mailing address.
- ❖ Derrick and Assisted Living want to extend heartfelt thanks to Sabrina, Ileen and CC from the Hospital who are helping us out at Assisted Living. We continue to be four full-time employees short.
- ❖ We have an opening or two at Assisted Living. Derrick is working through the waiting list.
- ❖ OSHA was in town reviewing the Manor last week. Derrick and Staff are working with them and working on the state audit.
- ❖ Assisted Living is in the process of implementing an electronic system which will count medication as well as let us know when to order. It can work with the pharmacy's system and auto order medication. It also allows for the care plans and other documentation to be sent through a secure email so the families can electronically review the plans.