

Borough Manager's Report Assembly Meeting 02 June 2025

- Property tax invoices will be mailed out on July 1st. Payment is due into the finance office by October 15th.
- The Streets crew has been catching up on asbestos training for the last week, with a combination of both online and in-person classes. After this week's training is complete, all 5 of the Streets crew will be fully certified for operations involving asbestos-cement (AC) pipes.
- ❖ Waiting for some dry weather so we can get some more grading and pothole repairs done. There haven't been many opportunities for this lately.
- ❖ Two of the three surplus PMPL line trucks have sold via online auction. Both bucket trucks (20 and #99) were sold to a party in Anchorage for a total of \$53,000. The digger derrick (102) has been relisted online, with an auction closing date of 7/6/25.
- ❖ Water production is running between 600K and 800K gallons per day, about 1/3 of what we normally see for peak production in the summer months. Both reservoirs are full.
- Alaska Rural Water Association (ARWA) will be in town this week with their leak detection equipment. We have several areas for them to check, including a leak in the Lake / Aaslaug area that we haven't been able to track down yet.
- The Pump Station 4 project began construction on May 23rd. Contractor Rock-N-Road has begun clearing timber for the new service road corridor and should begin excavation sometime during the next week.
- ❖ PVFD received a notice that the Borough's AEDs were part of a recall notice. After investigation, Aaron found one out of 18 that were identified by the manufacturer and the device is being repaired under warranty.
- Aaron has been working with SEAGRANT and a local homeowner's group to compile data to better assess risks associated with landslides on Mitkof Island.
- Fire was down testing the standpipes at south harbor and found multiple leaks and breaks in the system. Ryan is working with the Harbor department on repairing them.
- A reminder to borough residents within service area one that burn permits are required if you are not using a burn barrel with a screen. Burn permits can be found on the borough's website under the public safety tab. This information gets sent to the paid PVFD staff and Dispatch, so the Fire trucks do not get automatically sent to your location if someone reports a fire at your location.

- State burn permits are required for all burning outside service area one. Permits can be found online at the AK Division of Fire and Forestry website, or by typing "Alaska department of fire and forestry burn permit" into your internet search bar.
- ❖ Harbors are full. Waiting lists for all stall class. (approx. 100 + vessels)
- Harbor Parking is being enforced along Harbor Way and Middle, South Harbor and long term at Drive Down.
- Remind boaters of the no wake zone outside all 3 harbors and responsibilities for wake is the owner/operators.
- ❖ Steering Committee and staff met with Dick Somerville, PND to discuss future Scow Bay development.
- ❖ Glorianne and Steve are working with Borough Attorney to discuss particulars on a potential partnership with ACL construction of tour ship landing float.
- ❖ The Harbor is enforcing the new ordinances concerning vessels that regularly don't move. Price increases and additional requirements will become effective Jan 1st, 2026. Contact the Harbor for more information.
- ❖ Preliminary engineering work with Harai & Associates is happening for Elderly Housing's next big project, the cooler/freezer floor replacement.
- Elderly Housing received a great score for our recent HUD required (NSPIRE) physical inspection of the building. NSPIRE is the new REAC, with lots of changes and requirements, so this is a great accomplishment!
- Summer STREAM, the library's Summer Reading Program runs from June 1 to July 13. Children can participate in reading challenges, games, scavenger hunts, and hands-on learning activities that help build important skills. Sign-up is now open at psglib.org. We are thankful for the many local businesses and individuals who have generously donated to support the program.
- Petersburg Police Department is currently working on an MOU with the United States Postal Service that will designate one of our officers as USPS Task Force Officers (TFOs). This designation will authorize Petersburg TFOs to conduct postal sorts at our local post office, targeting suspicious packages that may contain drugs or other contraband. We anticipate this agreement will be finalized soon.
- ❖ Staccato will be in Petersburg on Sunday June 15th and leaving on the 17th. Staccato will be doing inspections on the department's duty pistols. This is a free service offered by Staccato.
- ❖ Parks & Rec. is getting ready for closure on Friday. Reopen June 16.
- ❖ Stephanie is working with the School District and their funding coordinator to help get the aquatic center sewer project listed on the district deferred maintenance list.
- ❖ I worked with Congressman Begich's office to provide additional information for the Banana Point boat launch area. His office is putting it forward as a Congressional Directed Spending (CDS) request.

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