



**Borough Manager's Report
Assembly Meeting 18 July 2022**

- ❖ Water Staff recently performed some maintenance on the City Creek Dam spillway.
- ❖ We continue to see failures of aging infrastructure around Petersburg. A planning meeting is scheduled for July 13th to discuss renewal projects for water distribution and wastewater collection piping.
- ❖ Wastewater Staff has been servicing cruise ships to accept black water on a repurposed street washing truck. Loads of wastewater are being hauled to the treatment plant as needed by the visiting ships.
- ❖ Blind Slough project progress:
 - An application for a non-capacity license amendment has been issued to FERC in Washington DC.
 - Project plans continue to come together with information being received from the equipment provider.
 - An award for specialty high pressure valves will be in front of the Assembly soon to allow for issuance of a PO that is above the Manager's spending authority.
- ❖ The annual FERC inspection at Crystal Lake Dam went well, with the inspector pleased about the condition of the project. Items of concern are generally minor and easily addressed.
- ❖ Bob Ziemke, Power Plant Mechanic, is retiring at the end of July with 25+ years of service to the department and the Borough. Bob has kept the diesel generators and hydro facility in top condition during his career and has responded to countless power outages in service to the community. Please join me in thanking Bob for his outstanding career and work efforts over the last 25 years. Congratulations to Bob on his retirement! A retirement gathering will be held in his last week of work with more information provided later.
- ❖ Summer STREAM & Baby Bookworms, the library's youth summer programs, wrapped up on July 10. 135 kids participated in the program, logging 78,750 minutes of reading and completing 1,423 educational challenges.
- ❖ The area in front of the library adjacent to the large landscaping bed in the front has been paved by Bob Olson & his crew. The project was funded by donations to the library. A few benches and planters are planned.
- ❖ A fountain/bottle filler is being installed in the library foyer.
- ❖ Tara will be out of the office July 20-Aug 13. Any updates to the website that are needed should wait until she returns.

- ❖ Chase Kirby accepted the conditional job offer for the police officer position. He's currently looking for housing opportunities in Petersburg.
- ❖ The Police Department is looking into requirements, pricing, and options for digital/live scan fingerprinting. Live scan fingerprinting would be a benefit to the entire Petersburg community.
- ❖ Reid Brothers has made good progress on the Public Works Yard Culvert Replacement and is on track to finish on schedule and within the Fish & Game permit window.
- ❖ The Streets crew is still clearing debris from the landslide that occurred during the weekend of June 25-26, which resulted in a discharge of blue clay material into the Hammer Slough Creek basin. The slide area has been stabilized and creek flow re-established. We are working with an engineer, DEC and permitting authorities to develop a plan for permanent repairs.
- ❖ The crew repaired a water main break near the intersection of 3rd and Fram Streets.
- ❖ We continue to make good headway on the backlog of building maintenance work orders. At present Sam and Jim are working to address some longstanding maintenance needs at the Clausen Museum.
- ❖ Lifeguard Course scheduled for July 29th – 31st. Must attend all 3 days and online portion before 1st day of class. If interested, please contact Scott Burt at Parks and Rec ASAP for online course voucher.
- ❖ New Volleyball net/pads will be arriving this week. Check out our schedule and come join us for some VB Fun!
- ❖ Parks and Recreation would like to thank Petersburg Rotary for purchasing and installing the new ADA Walkway Mat (Mobi-Mat) at the Sandy Beach Playground, making it more accessible for all mobility needs. Check it out – it is 100% Recycled and recyclable, UV, and rot resistant, life expectancy of 10+ yrs., easy maintenance, can be left out during winter months, and manufactured in USA. Thank you, Petersburg Rotary!
- ❖ The Aquatic Center is still expecting some smaller repairs to finalize our repair project. We will carry out these smaller projects with the least amount of schedule disruption as possible. Thank you for your patience!