



**Borough Manager's Report  
Assembly Meeting 1 August 2022**

- ❖ Harbor continues to stay busy. We are starting to see the summer visitors head south and expect good transient numbers through August.
- ❖ Drive Down is very active. The reserve system seems to work well for the local fleet to organize their operations around the 3 -4-day weekly tour ship schedule. A new development with the American Constellation moving to the Drive Down during the night hours of their stop for a local contractor to pump off their grey/black wastewater and transport to the Borough's wastewater site is working well. The size of the AC causes congestion at the South Harbor south end so that's why the night hours when we have limited traffic at that end.
- ❖ Harbor Staff will be attending a pre-construction meeting with the USACE and the contractor on August 2<sup>nd</sup> and will start planning for the upcoming dredge project slated for this winter.
- ❖ Molly was able to attend the ESRI Global GIS conference virtually. ESRI is upgrading its software program, so it was helpful to be able to attend workshops on the new workflows and features of the new program.
- ❖ Comm Dev. installed portable hard drives on our desktop PCs to backup local data. We are also scheduling periodic backup of all COMDEV files on LOKI to avoid the potential of another disk failure.
- ❖ Water Staff is scheduling the replacement of an automatic transfer switch for a standby generator at the water storage tank. All parts have been received and working on connecting with Mattingly Electric for the installation.
- ❖ Some parts have arrived for the storage tank piping project in which the department must add a second means of separation for the water going into the storage tank and coming out of the tank to meet concerns of cross connection from ADEC. Alan Murph is putting the final touches on the plans for this work and will forward to ADEC for their approval before we launch on the project.
- ❖ Wastewater department is restarting a project to replace the force main from Pumpstation 4. The force main will be rerouted to undeveloped rights of way to reduce traffic disruption and the higher costs of asphalt disturbance of North Nordic Drive and Sandy Beach Road. A request for proposals for the next phase of design has been issued to PND and a meeting to fine tune the scope of their work will take place soon.
- ❖ Thanks to WW and Public Works for working on a residential wastewater service that was not draining correctly in the Hungerford Hill neighborhood. The "small" project turned into a very long day, but the crews were able to correct the line that had settled and was no longer providing adequate service. Great job.
- ❖ WW staff has begun a search for a used tub grinder in support of chipping wood for the composting operation. Once a viable piece of equipment has been found, a purchase resolution will be brought to the Assembly to

request authorization for the purchase.

- ❖ Karl is working on a plan to phase the Scow Bay Generation project. The load projection study was received from the Consultant and rough order of magnitude costs to add 3.5 megawatts of diesel generation are quite a bit higher than initial estimates. Once a workable plan is developed, there will be a presentation to the Assembly to discuss the path forward.
- ❖ PMPL responded to the scene of a blown cutout at Lyon's Road where a roofing contractor had contacted the primary conductor with a piece of flashing. The contractor's employee sustained burns on his arm and was sent to Seattle for treatment and monitoring. PMPL is happy to report that the person was soon discharged and was able to return to his home in Juneau. At the request of the contractor, PMPL staff took part in a safety meeting after the accident and prior to any further work on the roof. If any contractor is going to be working near power lines, please call PMPL first to discuss the scope of the project and receive information on the hazards at their location.
- ❖ PMPL flew to Crystal Lake on Wednesday July 27<sup>th</sup> to perform some maintenance on the pump back system, breach alarm and face of the dam. This was Bob Ziemke's last trip to the dam as a PMPL employee.
- ❖ A retirement party was held on July 28<sup>th</sup> for Bob Ziemke. Thanks to everyone that came by to wish him well.
- ❖ The department is planning to de-energize the main street substation transformer for testing on July 28<sup>th</sup>. This is a periodic operation to gauge the condition of the transformer as it ages. A report will be shared with the Manager once the testing has been completed.
- ❖ Reid Brothers has completed the culvert installation project ahead of schedule and is currently working on project close out.
- ❖ Landslide cleanup continues. We are still hauling mud and clay out of the Hammer Slough creek basin but making good progress.
- ❖ Still busier than normal, including some large deliveries of waste coming to the baler and landfill from fish processors and local contractors.
- ❖ Building Maintenance crew is replacing rotten siding on the museum and working to address OSHA-related safety concerns in various departments.
- ❖ We have ordered a key punch machine and core-pinning equipment for the Borough's door lock system. This will greatly increase our inhouse capabilities to make keys and re-key locks and will reduce our reliance on other organizations for these functions. Performing these operations inhouse will save money over the long term and allow us to respond much more quickly when locks need to be re-keyed. The new equipment is being jointly funded by Mountain View Manor, Parks-N-Rec, and Public Works, and will be shared by the maintenance personnel for these depts.
- ❖ Thank you to all the families that attended our Swim Lesson Assessment! This was very helpful to assist getting your kiddos into the correct lesson groups! The swim lessons will begin Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>. Please contact Parks and Recreation to make sure your family is signed up.
- ❖ Please plan to join the Parks and Recreation Youth Basketball season! Registration will open on Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup>! Keep an eye and ear out for more information on our Facebook page and KFSK for more details.