



**Borough Manager's Report
Assembly Meeting 15 June 2015**

- ❖ The Middle Harbor waterline is back online. Thanks to Glenn Reid, Alec Schramek and Sig Burrell with Rock N Road for assisting the Harbor maintenance crew over the last week as we lengthened the line and laid it completely outside of the problem area.
- ❖ EMS Marine Survey performed a condition survey on the Homeland Security boat as required by the insurance carrier every third year. All looks fine and no maintenance exceptions noted.
- ❖ The Drive Down Facility is extremely busy, we have sold 157 annual permits so far.
- ❖ Mark Morris came to town Tuesday 6/9 and performed an electrical inspection on both the Crane Dock and Drive Down Facility Electrical work. A punch list to the contractors will follow.
- ❖ Thank you to Dona Malhoit Laubhan for her service on the Planning Commission. The commission has 2 vacancies and is seeking letter of interest from the public.
- ❖ The Market kicked off their season with 11 vendors and about 300 customers. PEDC is administrating their USDA Farmer's Market grant which is helping cover the operating costs for this year's market.
- ❖ Finalizing details on a loan guarantee program for downtown building owners to finance installation of fire sprinkler systems.
- ❖ SECON and Rock N Road continue to work on the sewer system in South Nordic Drive. SECON and Sader Construction are also working on sidewalk replacements on Haugen Drive. The public should drive slowly through all project work sites and pay attention to any flaggers or other traffic control devices that are in use. Drivers can expect up to a 10 minute wait at times so the public should plan accordingly for getting through the construction zones.
- ❖ Public works has excavated muskeg and backfilled with shot rock at the Cemetery Columbarium site. Forms for the Columbarium foundations were poured and work continues on the slab for the site.
- ❖ Staff is replacing road surfacing on Reservoir Road (on the dump hill) to smooth out the hill and make the route safer for traffic.
- ❖ Public works received it's shipment of dust control chemical so we'll be able to make another round of applications when needed.
- ❖ A recent Survey at the Water Treatment Plant was passed with no major comments/issues to be addressed. Thanks to Mike Bell for his work to keep the plant in top condition.

- ❖ Wastewater staff has been inspecting newly installed gravity sewer mains on the ADOT/SECON/Rock N Road project with our sewer camera.
- ❖ Our landfill permit was renewed successfully. The new permit will be in effect from July 2015 through June 2020. There were no significant changes as a result of the renewal.
- ❖ Recent issues with the landfill loader were evaluated by a visiting NC Machinery technician. Unfortunately it appears that the engine has been compromised and must be replaced. Motor pool will attempt to coordinate the replacement prior to the landfill's busy summer months.
- ❖ The North End Ferry Authority will started service between Coffman Cove, Wrangell and Banana Point on June 14th. The Authority has followed through with placement of protective rock around the launch ramp concrete panels prior to ferry service startup.
- ❖ Boiler #1 is back up and running at the Aquatic Center as we watch and test it to make sure that everything is ready for us to open the pool again. Boiler #2 is still down but we will be getting an estimate for that to be fixed soon.
- ❖ Little League has begun including the use of the Blue field for their Juniors team the last few weeks which has added 1.5 hours to our daily routine to get fields ready. Wrangell has begun coming over to enjoy a few games and the kids are enjoying it.
- ❖ Summer Swim lessons will be pushed back because of the pool closure but they will begin soon.
- ❖ The annual SEAPA maintenance outage went well. We did develop an alternator problem with the Scow Bay No. 1 generator. It was minor in nature, and has been fixed.
- ❖ We're being very conservative with our Crystal Lake water to insure we have maximum available during the summer to assist the hatchery. Present lake level is near the Rule Curve, or in other words, at a "normal" level.
- ❖ In anticipation for the annual FERC inspector visit, Power & Light is preparing for the required table top exercise of our Emergency Action Plan.
- ❖ Interesting note – because both the Tye and Swan Lake reservoirs are completely full, SEAPA is maximizing generation out of Swan Lake and sending the energy north. Wrangell & Petersburg are receiving around 5 megawatts of power over the intertie this morning.
- ❖ The Petersburg prosecutor's position has been terminated due to budget cuts. James Scott, the supervising attorney, will be handling Petersburg cases until further notice. Scott reports that there will be a reduction in service and visits to Petersburg, but he plans to include us in prosecution decisions in an effort to maintain public safety.
- ❖ Doc Lopez in on extended leave. Ofc. Randy Holmgren is still on light duty and is temporarily being transferred to dispatch to assist with staffing. Randy is expected to return to full duty in mid-July.