



Alice Ruby, **Mayor**

Council Members

- Tracy Hightower (Seat A) • Chris Maines (Seat B) • Aksel Buholm (Seat C)
- Curt Armstrong (Seat D) • Andy Anderson (Seat E) • Paul Liedberg (Seat F)

DILLINGHAM CITY COUNCIL
David B. Carlson Council Chambers

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REGULAR MEETING	7:00 P.M.	APRIL 5, 2018
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7. CITIZEN’S DISCUSSION (Prior Notice or Agenda Items)

- a. Nushagak Hydro Project Feasibility Presentation – Bob Himschoot

8. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- a. Introduce Ordinance No. 2017-10S-2, An Ordinance of the Dillingham City Council Amending Dillingham Municipal Code Title 4 – Revenue and Finance by the Addition of a new Chapter 4.24 Imposing an Excise Tax on Cigarettes and Tobacco Productspage 60

- b. Adopt Ordinance No. 2018-01, An Ordinance of the Dillingham City Council Amending Title 4.15.200 Foreclosure List, Timeframe to Present the Foreclosure List to Council (*Introduced February 1, 2018*)page 82
- c. Introduce Ordinance No. 2018-02, An Ordinance of the Dillingham City Council Amending the Budget by Adopting Budget Amendment No. 1 and Appropriating Funds for the FY2018 City of Dillingham Budgetpage 85
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- b. Progress Report
 - 1) Dave Carlson House Property
 - 2) Territorial School

10. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Schedule a Board of Equalization Organizational Meeting for April 26 at 5:30 PM
- b. Schedule a Regular Meeting of the BOE for May 17 at 5:30 PM
- c. Willow Tree Liquor License Renewalpage 123
- d. Action Memorandum 2018-01, Authorize the City Manager to Collaborate with Nushagak Cooperative for a Community Clean-Up, May 4, 5, and 6page 134

11. CITIZEN’S DISCUSSION (Open to the Public)

12. COUNCIL COMMENTS

13. MAYOR’S COMMENTS

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. Legal Matter – Update from Public Safety Department

15. ADJOURNMENT

1. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Dillingham City Council was held on February 1, 2018 at the Dillingham City Council Chambers, Dillingham, Alaska. Mayor Ruby called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Mayor Ruby was present.

Council members present and establishing a quorum (a quorum being four):

Tracy Hightower	Curt Armstrong	Andy Anderson	Aksel Buholm
Paul Liedberg	Chris Maines		

Staff in attendance:

Tod Larson	Lori Goodell	Dan Pasquariello
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3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Regular Council Meeting, January 4, 2018

MOTION: Chris Maines moved and Aksel Buholm seconded the motion to approve the minutes of January 4, 2018.

VOTE: The motion passed as amended unanimously by voice vote.

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

There was no consent agenda.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Paul Liedberg moved to approve the agenda and Chris Maines seconded the motion.

Susan Isaacs will be added to Citizens Discussion as item 7.b.

VOTE: The motion to approve the agenda passed unanimously by voice vote.

5. STAFF REPORTS

- a. City Manager and Staff Reports

City Manager reported on the following items:

- Confirmed that the State MMG grant funding deadline is coming up, the balance is approximately 1 million after all current payments are made. The request to the State to use this funding for the streets project is contingent upon ADOT completing a bid by April 15. ADOT isn't looking at this project until next year;
- The ISO rating for Dillingham has gone from a 6/9 to a 5/5X. Insurance companies utilize this rating when determining rates. Excellent job to the Fire Department for their dedicated work.

Discussion:

- City Manager can inquire with Rep. Edgmon's office regarding a possible extension on the MMG grant;
- Current status of the camera system is being evaluated. Repairs required to bring the entire systems back up is not cost effective. The system will be downgraded; funding is being explored to make several locations viable;
- Mid-year budget is being looked at by the Finance Director and Department Heads, adjusted budget will be going to the Finance & Budget Committee for review before going to Council;
- Proposals are being acquired to assess the direction to go with the ice machine;
- Minimal staffing and reduced budget at the Senior Center can be addressed during the FY19 budget meetings.

b. Standing Committee Reports

Chris Maines, Code Review Committee:

- After an attorney review Ordinance 2018-01 was amended to delete section 3 and is now recommended to Council for consideration;
- The committee discussed several items regarding code that have come to their attention; Animal code as it pertains to vicious animals, and when sales tax is applied (requested by the Finance Director 4.20.020 for review);
- The committee has reduced the long list of items they have been working on and is considering reducing the meeting schedule to quarterly / and as needed.

The City Council had no objections to adding the two issues to the Code Review Committee to do list and revising the meeting schedule.

Paul Liedberg, Finance and Budget Committee:

- Three items were discussed at the 1/22/18 meeting; Ordinance 2017-10 changes, Oct. and Nov. financials, and preliminary schedule for the FY19 budget season.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. Ordinance No. 2017-10 (SUB1), An Ordinance of the Dillingham City Council Amending Municipal Code Title 4 – Revenue and Finance by the Addition of a New Chapter 4.24 Imposing an Excise Tax on Cigarettes and Tobacco Products

Feedback from the City Attorney suggests this ordinance needs more attention. Council will not be adopting this ordinance tonight. There was no other discussion.

7. CITIZEN'S DISCUSSION (Prior Notice or Agenda Items)

- a. JD Palin – \$5,000 Sales Tax Cap

Mr. Palin is asking Council to retract the recent increase in the tax cap noting the following:

- Major competition comes from Anchorage and the market is already tight;
- Increased sales tax cap will take L&M Supplies out of the competitive market, leading to loss of sales and decreased business;
- If they cannot meet minimum orders they will lose partnerships with dealerships, which will put local business relationships, inventory and parts, at risk as well;
- A forecasted decrease of 40% will lead to layoff of 5-7 employees;
- Asks the City to consider ways to help business grow, not put sales at risk.

- b. Susan Isaacs – Chamber of Commerce project requests

- The Chamber of Commerce is defunct and accounts have been closed;
- There is a small amount of money that can be used for projects;

- A list of three proposals has been recommended: Find a new home for the Wooden Bear, Fire Hall Mural Restoration, and Welcome to Dillingham sign repainting;
- The Arts Council or others can be partners on these projects;
- Assistance with funding and physical work will be needed. Also, is looking for approval and a location from the City to relocate the wooden bear;
- Would like to have these projects completed this summer.

Gordon Issacs

- Tax on large ticket items gets, pretty big and is a regressive tax driving business out of town resulting in less tax overall. Would like to see the old tax cap reinstated;
- Susan is looking for permission from the city to move forward on the projects.

8. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- Adopt Ordinance No. 2017-10 (SUB1), An Ordinance of the Dillingham City Council Amending Municipal Code Title 4 – Revenue and Finance by the Addition of a New Chapter 4.24 Imposing an Excise Tax on Cigarettes and Tobacco Products

MOTION: Paul Liedberg moved and Andy Anderson seconded the motion to adopt Ordinance 2017-10.

Discussion:

Attorney review was received today with two additional versions of this ordinance for consideration. There has not been time for an evaluation or comparison to the existing Ordinance. Staff will analyze and get a report to the Finance and Budget Committee.

MOTION: Chris Maines moved and Tracy Hightower seconded the motion to table Ordinance 2017-10 until the March 1, 2018 council meeting.

VOTE: The motion to table Ordinance 2017-10 passed unanimously by voice vote.

- Introduce Ordinance No. 2018-01, An Ordinance of the Dillingham City Council Amending Title 4.15.200 Foreclosure List, Timeframe to Present the Foreclosure List to Council

MOTION: Chris Maines moved and Paul Liedberg seconded the motion to introduce Ordinance 2018-01.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

- Adopt Resolution 2018-02, A Resolution of the Dillingham City Council Adopting the State of Alaska Local Government Model General Administrative Records Retention Schedule

MOTION: Paul Liedberg moved and Chris Maines seconded the motion to adopt Resolution 2018-02.

General Index for the Records Retention was included in the packet, the full list is available for council review. Adopting a standardized schedule is important to records management. This schedule has been vetted by the state.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

- d. Adopt Resolution 2018-03, A Resolution of the Dillingham City Council Expressing Support for Preferred Routes for a Manokotak – Dillingham Road

MOTION: Chris Maines moved and Tracy Hightower seconded the motion to adopt Resolution 2018-03.

Feasibility study is available if council would like a digital copy. Bristol Engineers has it available through their website as well. Dillingham residents preferred route 4 shown on the survey in the study. This is also on the Curyung Tribal Council long range transportation plan.

VOTE: The motion passed as amended unanimously by voice vote.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Citizen Committee Appointments

- 1) Senior Advisory Commission, 1 Seat Open

One letters of interest was received from John Heyano for Seat A. Mayor Ruby recommended that Mr. Heyano be appointed to the Senior Advisory Commission.

MOTION: Chris Maines moved and Tracy Hightower seconded the motion to concur with the Mayors recommendation.

VOTE: The motion to appoint John Heyano to the Senior Advisory Commission passed unanimously by voice vote.

- b. Progress Report

- 1) Dave Carlson House Property
2) Territorial School

There are no updates at this time.

10. NEW BUSINESS

No was no new business

11. CITIZEN'S DISCUSSION (Open to the Public)

There was no discussion

12. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Paul Liedberg:

- Appreciate JD's comments, noting there was not much input when council was considering this ordinance with the tax cap. Might be appropriate for Code Committee to put on their agenda to have another discussion about this new information. Concerned about regressive part, and potential loss of revenue.
- It is a balancing act between collecting and spending;
- Thanks to staff.

Discussion

- Add this item to the Code Review Committee agenda; just tax cap, not the entire section;
- There was very little involvement on this issue during the recent discussion on Ordinance 2017-08;
- Research included numerous communities as comparisons and all seem to be doing the same structure. Is there a happy medium that can be found?

Aksel Buholm:

- What options are available regarding the tax cap? Can a petition be done and the issue be on the ballot if nothing happens with council?
- Knows there is a slim margin of markup, and that the market is competitive;
- The potential for job losses is concerning;
- Would like the committee to reverse this.

Tracy Hightower:

- Has issues with Ordinance 2017-10 (SUB 1), raising a tax cuts into profit margins and has a negative impact on local businesses;
- Questions the wording about persons bringing tobacco products into the city must turn in sales tax return, will create a black market;
- City lost a former employee on January 9th. Asks that his sister and her family is kept in your prayers.

13. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Ruby:

- Reminder that there will be council training on February 15, can spend a few minutes at the end of training discussing priorities;
- SWAMC conference is March 1-2. There is not much available in the council budget for travel, but the city could help with registrations if anyone will be in Anchorage. March 1st is a council meeting, Mayor has attended by phone in the past. Council can be polled to see if moving the regular meeting to March 8th is an option;
- Gary Peters worked for the city in several positions and left many with good memories. He volunteered his time and started the youth nights years ago. Contributed a lot to the community;
- Chamber of Commerce request – will ask Todd to take this to the department heads for suggestions and recommendations, they can help with implementing a plan. Not for the city to take over the projects but to support the projects. City doesn't have the resources to take over, identify other organizations that can partner with the Chamber to make these projects happen. Council has no objections to these projects;
- A moment of silence was observed for all those lost since the last meeting.

15. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Ruby adjourned the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

Mayor Alice Ruby
[SEAL]

ATTEST:

Lori Goodell, City Clerk

Approval Date: _____

1. CALL TO ORDER

A special meeting of the Dillingham City Council was held on Thursday, March 29, 2018, at the Dillingham City Council Chambers, Dillingham, Alaska. Mayor Ruby called the meeting to order at 1:25 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Mayor Alice Ruby was present.

Council members present and establishing a quorum (a quorum being four):

Curt Armstrong	Andy Anderson	Tracy Hightower	Chris Maines
Paul Liedberg	Aksel Buholm - attended via teleconference		

Staff in attendance:

Tod Larson	Lori Goodell	Navin Bissram
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Guest(s): Steve Wadleigh, Altman, Rogers, and Co.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Chris Maines moved and Paul Liedberg seconded the motion to approve the agenda.

VOTE: The motion to approve the agenda passed unanimously by roll call vote.

4. SPECIAL BUSINESS

- a. Presentation FY17 Audit Report, Steve Wadleigh, CPA; Altman, Rogers & Co.

Steven Wadleigh presented the FY 2017 audit referring to the Power Point display his firm had prepared. He praised staff for being prepared, following internal controls and having a clean audit.

- b. Adopt Resolution No. 2018-04, A Resolution of the Dillingham City Council Accepting the Year End Audit for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2017

MOTION: Tracy Hightower moved and Chris Maines seconded the motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-04.

Mayor Ruby commended the City Manager's, Rose Loera and Tod Larson, for their hard work, and Finance Director for a clean audit.

VOTE: The motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-04 passed unanimously by roll call vote.

5. CITIZEN'S DISCUSSION (Open to the Public)

There was no citizen's discussion.

6. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Aksel Buholm:

- Disclosed he has applied for positions at the city.

Mayor Ruby apprised all that a city employee cannot be a council member, and that council can figure out how to deal with this unusual circumstance.

Paul Liedberg:

- Thanked Navin for a clean audit, with good findings excluding the bottom line.

Andy Anderson:

- Thanked Navin, Tod and Rose for pleasant audit review.

Tracy Hightower:

- Echoed other council members comments.

7. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

- Noted the Finance Committee is in the budget process right now and encouraged interested council members to attend work sessions.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Ruby adjourned the meeting at 2:14 p.m.

Mayor Alice Ruby

ATTEST:

[SEAL]

Lori Goodell, City Clerk

Approval Date: _____

Mayor
Alice Ruby

Manager
Tod Larson



Dillingham City Council
Tracy Hightower
Chris Maines
Aksel Buholm
Curt Armstrong
Andy Anderson
Paul Liedberg

MEMORANDUM

Date: April 2, 2018
To: Mayor and City Council
From: Tod Larson
Subject: April 2018 City Manager Report

Personnel – Welcome to our new employees and thank you to those that have served the City faithfully and are moving on to other positions/careers.

New Employees:	Darryl Woods – Corrections
Resignations:	Hayse Casteel – Dispatch Pedro Gonzales – Police Officer Pancho Garcia – Public Works Foreman Courtenay Carty – Planning Director (P/T for 90 days)
Transfers:	CJ Roque – Public Works Foreman
Position Vacancies:	Police Officer X3 Dispatch Heavy Equipment Operator (CJs old position) Planning Director Public Works Director
Seasonal:	Assistant Harbor Master Heavy Equipment Operator/Dock

Training – We conducted Leadership Training on March 20th and Ethics and Code of Conduct course will be conducted on April 4th in our Professional Development series. The May session is on April 17th and the topic is Building a Team.

Ice Machine – Marine Refrigeration Solutions was onsite trouble shooting the ice machine. The technician replaced some electrical components and tested the electrical system. He found that the motor was inoperable. We ordered a new motor and it should be on its way. The technician has us scheduled for April 9th pending the arrival

of the new motor. That is his only window available until fall. If for some reason he is unable to complete the installation and testing, we will determine an alternate solution.

Budget – I completed all the Department Head budget reviews and we have now begun the budget process in Finance and Budget Committee.

Streets – We have been fielding a number of complaints about the condition of the streets. The streets around the high school and post office have failed. The streets department has been grading and filling with material only to have runoff and traffic dissipate the aggregate a short time later. My best information is that the State of Alaska will begin the downtown streets project next summer. I would like Council's guidance on what direction to take with the streets that are damaged, but not included in the State's repair plan. As an aside, I had a conference call with the USDA Rural Development here in Alaska. We spoke about the USDA program and the fact that grants are all but gone, however, the loan program is still available. This may be something to consider for the streets (and infrastructure under the streets that was slated to be replaced if our MMG grant extension request fails).

Engel Entertainment – As I've mentioned before, we are working with a production company out of New York that is interested in filming in Dillingham as part of a story they are interested in. The story is about policing in rural Alaska and became interested because of the story in Sand Point about the entire police department's exit. I have had a couple of conference calls with Engel Entertainment and one with the City Attorney. Engel sent us a contract for review and the City Attorney has commented on the contract. Before we spend a lot of time and money on this project, I'm requesting discussion and guidance from the council on this project. The only communities that I'm aware of being involved in this project are Dillingham and Kodiak. Sand Point declined to be involved because they were concerned about how their community would be portrayed.

Northern Utility Services – Northern Utility Services is an Anchorage based company that provides utility management oversight for a number of rural Alaskan locations. They have personnel with the current certifications to conduct oversight of water and wastewater systems. This is an area where we have risk in reporting and management, especially as it relates to the NOV from ADEC last year. They haven't taken on a community as large as Dillingham and aren't sure that ADEC will accept them, but I wanted to bring this to the Council as information and you may see this in the budget.

EOP – LeMay Consulting was hired under a grant from the State of Alaska to work on drafting an all-hazards plan for some communities in Alaska including the City of Dillingham. We will work with them throughout the process. Their goal is completion of the EOP this June.

Army Corps of Engineers Public Comment Period – The public comment period for the Pebble Mine project is open from April 1st – 30th. I will draft a letter working with Mayor Ruby for the City of Dillingham's response if that is acceptable with the City Council.

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Upcoming Events.

- Finance and Budget Committee meetings on 4/9, 4/16, 4/23, and 4/30.
- EOP Planning Day for all Department Heads is 4/13 all-day.
- ACoE Pebble Mine Presentation on 4/17 at 5:00 p.m.
- Board of Equalization meets on 4/26 at 5:30 p.m.
- Rural Utility Management Training from 4/30 – 5/4, all-week (I will be attending).

Requested Decisions.

- May I work with Mayor Ruby to draft the City of Dillingham's response to the ACoE's Pebble Public Comment Period?
- What direction does the council wish me to go in regard to the streets?
- Guidance on the Engel Entertainment filming project?

Respectfully Submitted,
Tod Larson

Mayor
Alice Ruby

Manager
Tod Larson



Dillingham City Council
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MEMORANDUM

Date: February 27, 2018
To: Mayor and City Council
From: Tod Larson
Subject: March 2018 City Manager Report

Personnel – Welcome to our new employees and thank you to those that have served the City faithfully and are moving on to other positions/careers.

New Employees:	Cameron Malstrom – Receivables Tech Susan (Suzi) Newman – Cashier
Resignations:	Hope Jackson – PW Assistant Stephanie Koutchak – Dispatch
Transfers:	Jacob Neilson – Landfill from Cashier Andrea Naylor – Dispatch from Corrections
Position Vacancies:	Police Officer X2 Corrections Officer PW Office Assistant

Training – The Ethics and Code of Conduct course in our Professional Development series had to be rescheduled to April 3rd as I was out of town unexpectedly on February 20th. The March session is on March 20th and the topic is Leadership.

ISO Upgrade – This was a great news story for our City. The Insurance Services Office (ISO) rating for Dillingham was improved from a 6/9 to a 5/5X rating. The ISO rating is a comprehensive evaluation about the City of Dillingham's Fire Department and infrastructure relating to the ability to respond to fires. It looks at things like fire hydrant pressure and capacity, the type of equipment the fire department has, the training records of the volunteers, and the number of volunteers in the department, etc. The lower the number, the better we are situated. Our rating is effective February 1, 2018. The great thing about this (beyond our excellent fire department) is that the improved rating may bring the cost of home insurance down. I say may because each insurance company is different, but I highly recommend that all citizens contact your insurance

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company and tell them that Dillingham's ISO rating improved to 5/5X on February 1, 2018 and ask them if it will bring your insurance premium down. Having said this - we really need volunteers. This is one of the areas in the evaluation that we could do much better. (Beyond a rating, is the ability to take care of a fire emergency in your home when you need them.) Thank you to our Fire Department!

Ice Machine – We received an estimate to replace our current ice machine of approximately \$700,000. The Public Works director is working with a Seattle specialist to schedule the visit to look at our machine. We are at the mercy of his schedule. We made a conscious decision to bring in an expert in this industry to assess our system and give us a quality review.

Budget – The Finance and Budget Committee met on February 26th and set the budget preparation calendar for FY19. I'm reviewing all department budgets from March 7-9 with the Department Head and delivering the completed product to the Finance Officer as the draft FY19 budget ready to be presented to the Finance and Budget Committee on March 19th.

Wage Study – Much of the basic data has been collected and now we will be pouring over the data and assembling it into a plan to present to the City Council in the future. Conducting the study is a complex and time consuming project.

Critical Projects – The city staff is working diligently towards a solution for the wastewater lagoon aeration. The samples are coming back out of compliance and we are having to complete violation reports. The engineers feel confident that the samples will come back within the acceptable range if we are able to replace the poor aeration system with a new system to introduce enough dissolved oxygen to treat the wastewater correctly. Secondly, we are working on a solution for the test wells for the landfill. Both of these projects are critical and we are pressured to come up with a solution in order to meet State Regulatory Guidance.

AMLJIA Dock Discussion – I'm conducted an investigation in order to determine exactly what occurred and determine the road ahead. This is a dated issue that began four years ago and has not been resolved yet. I'll provide the council with a copy of the investigation with recommendations once I've completed it.

Upcoming Events.

- SWAMC Conference March 1-2 in Anchorage.
- City Manager/Department Head Budget Review Meetings March 7-9.
- The First Budget Session for FY19 begins on March 19th with one scheduled approximately every week through May.
- Beaver Round-Up March 21st – 25th.
- BBEDC Career Fairs March 27th-28th.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tod Larson

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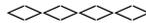
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FEBRUARY 2018 – LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Cliff Stone / City Lobbyist

~ U.S. Senator Lisa Murkowski addresses the Legislature ~



The senior senator from Alaska gave a rousing speech before a joint session of the Alaska Legislature today. U.S. Senator Lisa Murkowski spoke optimistically about several topics that have been in the news lately. She briefly touched on the opening of ANWR and the 1002 area that was part of the tax reforms to come out of Congress. She noted it would still be ten years or more before we realize any benefit, but it's a step in the right direction.

She touched on new investments for our military including the deployment of new cutters for the Coast Guard. She highlighted the land exchange that will finally get a road from King Cove to health facilities in nearby Cold Bay. The subjects of mining, tourism, renewable energy, and health care all received attention in her talk.

She discussed the nationwide opioid addiction epidemic that has swept the country as well as the most recent and horrific act of violence and murder on school grounds in Florida. She asserted that people will need to come together and confront this issue in a multifaceted way that addresses guns, mental health, and security needs of the schools. She emphasized that there is no simple fix for these acts and for the plague of opioid abuse.

To watch her speech, go to <http://www.360north.org> or you can query www.youtube.com for a link to her remarks. Next Monday – Feb. 26th, Senator Dan Sullivan is scheduled to provide his address before the Legislature.

The House Finance operating budget subcommittee process has been in full swing these last few weeks with over 20 meetings this last week alone. These subcommittees are closing out their review process and will be making recommendations to the full House Finance Committee in the form of narratives, proposed amendments, and financial reports. All of these will be posted on BASIS under the Legislative Finance website in the near future.

The FY18 Supplement Budgets (HB 321 and SB 168 respectively) was read across on Jan. 31st. As in every year, a “fast track” supplemental is developed for those items that need to be funded as soon as possible as they are time sensitive. The other supplemental items are then typically rolled into the Capital budget bill.

The supplemental can include various items such as additional funding to address certain department shortfalls, accepting new grants, legal obligations, and a regular item that is seen almost every year is higher than anticipated wildfire expenses.

While on the subject of finances, I couldn't let the fact that former State Senator Al Adams was honored this past week. He had passed away in 2012 at the age of 70. Earlier in 2017, the Legislature unanimously voted to dedicate the House Finance Room in his honor. Not only was he a champion for the people of rural Alaska, he was a driving force behind the creation of the Power Cost Equalization Program to stabilize energy costs, thus providing economic assistance to rural areas. He was a true gentleman and one of the nicest individuals I've had the pleasure to know in my lifetime.



LEGISLATIVE APPOINTMENTS

Since my last report in January, none of the names previously listed were selected to fill the seat left vacant in House District 40 after the resignation of Dean Westlake. John Lincoln of Kotzebue was sworn into office on Jan. 31st after being appointed and subsequently confirmed by House Democrats. Rep. Lincoln is a vice president for the NANA Corp. and sits on the tribal council for the Native Village of Kotzebue. He's also a pilot and has worked as an EMT for the Kotzebue Volunteer Fire Department.

After two failed attempts at filling the Senate District E, another name has come forward for consideration by Senate Republicans. The governor has now appointed Mike Shower of Wasilla. He rose to the rank of Lt. Colonel in the U.S. Air Force and now flies for FedEx. After one previous appointment was rejected by the Senate R's and another appointee withdrew his name from consideration, it is hopeful the citizens of the Valley get full representation with this selection. *Late update 2/22: Mr. Shower was confirmed and will be sworn into office by the time you receive this report.*

Another seat that became open since the last report is House District 38. Zach Fansler's resignation became effective Feb. 12nd. Since that time, three names have been provided to the governor for his consideration by Democrats from that district. As you've probably seen in the news, they are Yvonne L. Jackson, Raymond "Thor" Williams, and Tiffany Zulkosky. Two of the candidates are former mayors of Bethel. All three of them have been very active in their communities through work and other organizations. *Late update 2/22: Ms. Zulkosky was appointed to fill this seat. House Democrats will still have to confirm her, but it is anticipated she will be approved and sworn into office.*

All of these newly appointed legislators are expected to serve out the terms of their office. The two House members as well as the Senate member will have the option to run for their seats this summer in the primaries and if successful, also run in the fall general elections.



BALLOT INITIATIVES

I indicated in my last report, that I would provide more information on the two initiatives that are slated for the ballot this year. For this subject, I'll focus on the "Stand for Salmon" initiative, which was declared invalid by the state, but the Alaska Superior Court ruled in favor of the initiative. The decision is under appeal. I'll try and provide objective news so folks can make up their own mind if they're so interested.

I'll paraphrase from an article that appeared in the Anchorage Daily News of Feb. 11, 2018. The new law would mandate that nearly all waters in the state would be considered habitat for the spawning, rearing, or migration of any fish that spends a portion of its life in both fresh and salt water.

As stated, many of these waters are non-fish bearing. The article went on to say that the vague, overly broad wording of this proposed initiative will open the door for various legal interpretations, as such – lawsuits and extended battles in court.

I'll try and keep my eyes and ears open for any ruling by the court and report when suitable.

Again, if the Legislature fails to finish their work on time and go a week past the set deadline, the measures will appear on the general election ballot in November instead of the Primary election cycle.

BRISTOL BAY WATERSHED

I've copied the entire press release below from EPA's Region 10 in regards to the Bristol Bay Watershed. Undoubtedly you have seen portions of this story, but wanted to repeat it here because of its importance to your region.



EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt Suspends Withdrawal of Proposed Determination in Bristol Bay Watershed, Will Solicit Additional Comments

01/26/2018 – News Releases from Region 10 Contact Information: press@epa.gov

WASHINGTON (January 26, 2018) – Today, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Scott Pruitt is following through on his promise to restore the rule of law and process to the previous Administration's action to restrict mining in Bristol Bay, Alaska.

As a result of Administrator Pruitt's actions last summer, proponents of mining in the region were allowed to apply for a permit with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Today, after hearing directly from stakeholders and the people of Alaska, EPA is suspending its process to withdraw those proposed restrictions, leaving them in place while the Agency receives more information on the potential mine's impact on the region's world-class fisheries and natural resources.

"We have restored process, reviewed comments, and heard from a variety of stakeholders on whether to withdraw the proposed restrictions in the Bristol Bay watershed," Administrator Scott Pruitt said. "Based on that review, it is my judgment at this time that any mining projects in the region likely pose a risk to the abundant natural resources that exist there. Until we know the full extent of that risk, those natural resources and world-class fisheries deserve the utmost protection. Today's action allows EPA to get the information needed to determine what specific impacts the proposed mining project will have on those critical resources."

This decision neither deters nor derails the application process of Pebble Limited Partnership's proposed project. The project proponents continue to enjoy the protection of due process and the right to proceed. However, their permit application must clear a high bar, because EPA believes the risk to Bristol Bay may be unacceptable. EPA intends to solicit additional public comment on the impact of the mining application on the existing proposed determination to better inform that analysis.

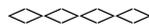
Background

In 2014, the Obama Administration issued what was widely considered a preemptive veto of the Pebble Limited Partnership mining project. This effectively brought the mine's application process and, more importantly, due process to a halt. Litigation resulted and continued into this Administration.

In May of 2017, Administrator Pruitt took the first step to rescind this due process denial and allow the Pebble mine proponents to proceed and progress through the process. EPA received over one million comments from interested stakeholders. Administrator Pruitt's action allowed the litigation to be resolved and the proponent's application was allowed to finally move forward. That application is proceeding through the Army Corps' permitting process.

Today's action is important for several reasons. First, EPA has serious concerns about the impacts of mining activity in the Bristol Bay Watershed. From public comments to community meetings, stakeholders stressed the importance of balancing a singular mine venture with the risk to one of the world's largest commercial fisheries. Second, for EPA not to express an environmental position at this stage would be disingenuous.

This action demonstrates the Agency's commitment to both the rule of law and process, and upholding the EPA's core mission of environmental stewardship. For more information and to read a copy of today's announcement in a pre-publication Federal Register Notice, visit: <https://www.epa.gov/bristolbay>.



NEW BILLS

<http://www.akleg.gov>

I've listed the bills below that have been introduced since the last report and could potentially have an impact on Dillingham. I will monitor these bills and any future bills introduced. Note: The bills listed are legislation introduced for the second session. I'll be tracking any older legislation as well if it pertains and seems to have movement. There could also be other legislation that pertains, but depending on the bill sponsor, I've purposely left it off this list because there is a high likelihood it will not go anywhere.

Please bring to my attention any other House or Senate legislation that you want me to keep track of. The bill descriptions below are very concise and may not convey the full intent of the legislation. I encourage you to review all new legislation as it's introduced.

****New legislation or legislation that has risen to a level of importance since the January report****

Budget/Fiscal Bills / FY19

SB 130 / Meyer – Voter Approval for New Taxes

SB 131 / Stevens – Education Funding; Separate Introduction and Deadline for Passage

*HB 213 / Parish – Public Schools Trust Fund (Currently worth approximately \$670 million)

HB 281 / SB 139 – Employment Tax

HB 282 / SB 140 – Alaska Economic Recovery Act

HB 283 / SB 141 – Biennial Budget *SB 141 State Affairs hearing

HB 284 / SB 142 – Capital Budget

HB 285 / SB 143 – Mental Health Budget

HB 286 / SB 144 – Operating Budget

HB 287 / Seaton – Education & Student Transportation (*Fund education early to prevent layoffs*)

**Passed House 2/7 - CBR vote failed, Scheduled Senate Finance 2/23*

SB 131 / Stevens – Early Education Funding *Senate Finance hearing

SJR 9 / Stedman – Constitutional Amendment: Permanent Fund; Approval; Dividend

SJR 10 / Begich – Constitutional Amendment: Permanent Fund; POMV; Dividend

***HB 321/SB 168 – FY18 Supplemental Budget**

Community Assistance (CA) – Instead of the \$20 million for distribution in the FY19 Governor’s budget, this Supplemental transfers \$30 million from the PCE Fund to the CA Fund, which will then provide a distribution of \$30 million to Alaska communities in FY19. This is the same as this past year, so communities can count on the same amount as they received in FY18. I’ve bolded the above as these funds are vital to Dillingham as they are to the rest of Alaska.

- *HB 331/SB 176 – Issue Bonds for purchasing cashable Oil and Gas Exploration Tax Credits
- *HB 369 / LeDoux – Limit Budget Reserve Fund
- *SB 183 & SB 196 – Appropriation Limit and PF Distribution Limit

General Municipal Issues

- HB 256 / Eastman – PFD/Other Contributions to Agencies and Municipalities
- HB 267 / Edgmon – Release Hunting/Fishing Records to Municipalities
 - *HB 267 Passed C&RA, Resources hearing
- HB 271 / Claman – Municipal Regulation of Smoking in Certain Places
- *HB 294/SB 149 – Doubles Surcharges on Violations of Municipal Ordinances
- *HB 300 / Wool – Prohibits State/Muni Enforcement of Federal Marijuana Law if inconsistent State Law
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- SB 148 / Governor – Background Checks for Police and Training
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Resources Issues

- HB 188 / Kreiss-Tomkins – Commercial Fisheries Entry Permits; Loans; Trusts
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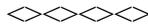
<http://gov.alaska.gov>

The governor’s office post press releases and other items of interest at the website above.

Although Judge Roy Madsen passed away late last year, the governor ordered all state flags to be flown at half-staff in late January. Not only was he a commercial fisherman out in Bristol Bay, he served in the U.S. Navy during WWII. While he had a varied career on the bench, he worked on the passage of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, served on the Board of Regents for the University of Alaska, and helped establish a community college in Kodiak. He was a humble man and very interesting to talk with.

The 2019 Alaska Teacher of the Year Nomination period is now open. Any interested citizen may make nominations for Alaska Teacher of the Year. Deadline for nominations are due by April 2, 2018. If you have questions, they can be directed towards Cecilia Miller at AlaskaTOY@alaska.gov or call (907) 465-8703. As a side note, the 1995 Alaska Teacher of the Year was Elaine Griffin who taught in a small rural village school on Kodiak Island. She went on to become the National Teacher of the Year highlighted by a Rose Garden ceremony at the White House. I only mention this, as I was the person who nominated her for the local Kodiak award. You can make a difference – so consider nominating someone worthy!

First Lady Donna Walker has announced that nominations have opened for the 2018 First Lady's Volunteer of the Year Awards. Nominations are ongoing and will be accepted until close of business on March 5, 2018. They may be submitted online at <https://gov.alaska.gov/governor-home/meet-donna-walker/first-lady-volunteer-awards/> Recipients will be announced in late May after review by the First Lady and her executive committee.



COMMITTEE HEARINGS

Official committee work started up again on the first day of session. Go to the Legislature's homepage – <http://akleg.gov/index.php> 'Click' on *Daily Schedule* at the top of the page.

Live on the Web

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<http://gov.alaska.gov/Walker/multimedia/livestream.html>

Archives of past videos can be accessed from this site.

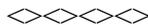
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Testifying

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2018 House and Senate Finance Sub-committee Members

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View specifics for the Capital and Operating Budgets.

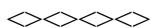
FY 2019 Governor's Budget – Key Elements <https://gov.alaska.gov/newsroom/2018/01/governor-walker-officially-unveils-bills-that-underpin-budget-plan>

FY 2019 Governor's-OMB Budget Proposal

<https://www.omb.alaska.gov/html/budget-report/fy2019-budget/proposed.html>

Alaska Tax Division – Fall 2017 Revenue Sources Book

<http://tax.alaska.gov/programs/documentviewer/viewer.aspx?1398r>



IMPORTANT DATES

Senator Dan Sullivan (Feb. 26, 2018 at 11:00 AM) Annual Address to the Alaska State Legislature.

Energy Council Meetings (March 15-18, 2018) in Washington, D.C.

Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend – Filing Deadline: March 31, 2018



~ End Report ~

Be kind and take care of your family and friends! My heart is in tears over yet another mass school shooting.
~ Cliff

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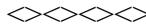
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MARCH 2018 – LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Cliff Stone / City Lobbyist

~ House increases the PFD – Still a long way to go ~



In a dramatic vote on the floor of the House, the final vote of 21 – 19 was recorded on March 26th in favor of an increased PFD to about \$2,700. Last year’s PFD was \$1,100 after a compromise was reached with the Senate. If the FY19 operating budget goes forward to the other body with the increased PFD, then no doubt it will be a point of negotiations once again in the conference committee process.

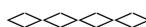
The questions swirling around this debate is whether or not this move will jeopardize future PFD’s. As it now stands, this increase would spend an extra \$900 million in earnings from the Permanent Fund Earnings Reserve this year. It is quite a dilemma, both from a fiscal and moral standpoint. Although this creates more wealth for current Alaskans, it will undoubtedly diminish PFD amounts in the future because of the loss of the earnings from this extra draw. Not only will PFD’s be less, but the base of money required to fund state government even at current levels without inflation will shrink, thus increasing the deficit for future generations. Valid arguments have been made and will be made concerning the need for the full PFD now, but ethically, is it the right choice for those Alaskans who aren’t even born yet?

Since the debate continues and the House is more than two weeks behind in passing over an operating budget to the Senate, it is highly unlikely that the current session will adjourn on the 90th day. HB 286 has been on the Floor since March 19th. Everyone now assumes they will march on towards the constitutionally mandated 121-day deadline. The Senate had published their public hearing schedule to begin this week on the budget. As I watched the debate however – it became clear that they would have to cancel these hearings as the deliberations and amendment process on the House floor dragged on.

Adding to this uncertainty is the quandary of how to restructure the Permanent Fund to spin off needed revenues for state government. The majority of both the House and Senate, and the governor all agree that without an overhaul of the current system, state government cannot sustain itself. SB 26 – Converts the PF to a Percent of Market Value (POMV) model and has been in play since last year as the vehicle to affect this change. It is currently in a joint conference committee, but has seen no action this year.

Overlaid on this jigsaw puzzle is House Joint Resolution 23 (HJR23). The House Finance Committee briefly set aside the operating budget over two weeks ago to discuss this proposal. In essence, it would enshrine the PFD in the Alaska Constitution. *I’ve attached a “fact sheet” on HJR23 for your perusal.*

In other news, U.S. Senator Dan Sullivan provided his address before the Legislature on Feb. 26th. Go to www.youtube.com for a link to his remarks.



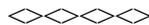
BALLOT INITIATIVES

In this report, I'll focus on the other ballot initiative for this fall referred to as the "Alaska Government Accountability Act." This would impose conflict of interest guidelines on legislators, limits on foreign travel, and political contribution limits. Another significant impact would reduce per diem payments to lawmakers if they fail to approve a state budget by the constitutional deadline of a 121-day session.

As a recent op-ed stated; "What exactly is the problem the initiative would cure? No current legislator or anyone running for elected office is hiding their employment." This speaks to the conflict of interest portion of the initiative. Some people have said this will provide more accountability on those who have oil jobs, union jobs, fishing jobs, and the list goes on and on. One imagined scenario could be that a majority of the members of one body or the other could allow a particular member not to vote on an oil issue because they're employed by an oil company. On a labor related issue later in the day, they could decide that a legislator employed by a union not be given permission – not to vote. This would be pure and simple partisan politics. Would this be fair? Not only is it not fair, but probably unconstitutional.

By law, legislators have to report details of their personal finances and employment every year and disclose possible conflicts of interest before voting on any piece of legislation. In the end, citizens of the state can determine at the ballot box who has not represented them fairly by voting for them or voting against them. The initiative creates rules that may not be enforceable and produces quite a few ambiguities that will more than likely lead to litigation.

Please note that HB 44 – Legislative Ethics: Voting and Conflicts, passed the House last year and has now been revived and is being heard in the Senate Committee cycle. If this legislation passes and is significantly close to the language of the initiative, and subsequently is signed into law, then the initiative above would go away and not be on the ballot this year. I'll keep you posted.



LEGISLATION UPDATE

<http://www.akleg.gov>

Since were down to less than last 3 weeks left of the 90-day session, the number of bills introduced have dropped dramatically. Individual members deadline for introducing new bills or resolutions have come and gone. Even though committees can still sponsor legislation, it is typically done judiciously to advance a concept or a fiscal matter of the utmost importance and has a time sensitive element involved.

If a particular bill below is moving along, I will place an *asterisk in front of it and give you a brief status. There is only one new bill that will also have an *asterisk, although there have been others introduced since my last report that could impact your area. I will continue to monitor those bills, but since it is so late in the session and depending on who brought it forward, the likelihood of those going anywhere is virtually zero. Those bills that don't have an asterisk, are in a holding pattern and don't seem to be going anywhere. The bill descriptions below are very concise and may not convey the full intent of the legislation. I've bolded ***HB 321** to highlight that it is now in the hands of the governor for his signature. (Due back 4/3) This guarantees Dillingham the same amount of money for this year as last year.

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*HB 213 / Parish – Public Schools Trust Fund. Passed House 3/19.

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HB 283 / SB 141 – Biennial Budget

*HB 284 / SB 142 – Capital Budget. Both bills respective Finance – No movement since February.
*HB 285 / SB 143 – Mental Health Budget. **House Calendar 3/28.**
*HB 286 / SB 144 – Operating Budget. **House Floor 3/28.** (84 amendments were considered/voted on)
HB 287 / Seaton – Education & Student Transportation. Passed House 2/7 - CBR vote failed.

***HB 321/SB 168 – FY18 Supplemental Budget. Passed Legislature – transmitted to the Governor.
The Community Assistance portion provides for a distribution of \$30 million in FY19.**

*HB 331/SB 176 – Issue Bonds for cashable Oil/Gas Exploration Tax Credits. House Resources 3/30.
HB 339 / Gara – Increase Base Student Allocation (BSA) by \$100. Referred to House Finance 3/14.
*HJR 23 / House Finance – Constitutional Amendment: PFD Distribution. Set aside after 3/13 hearing.
SB 130 / Meyer – Voter Approval for New Taxes
SB 131 / Stevens – Early Education Funding: Separate Introduction and Deadline for Passage
SB 183 – Appropriation Limit and PF Distribution Limit
*SB 196 / Senate Finance – Statutory Spending Limit of \$4.1 billion. Passed Senate 3/23.
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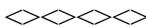
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Moved from House Judiciary 3/26 – next stop: House floor.

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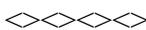


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Handy phone numbers for Governor’s offices: Anchorage: 907-269-7450 and Juneau: 907-465-3500.

Call 3 Vet Friends – Governor Walker and the Alaska Veterans Advisory Council has unanimously adopted a resolution encouraging every veteran to call three friends and encourage those friends to call a veterans’ center if they are having issues. The toll-free number nationwide is: 877-WAR-VETS.



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CALL-IN NUMBERS:

They can be used indefinitely now for any bill and any hearing. When folks call in, simply indicate to the operator which hearing/bill they are calling for.

Anchorage area – dial: [907-563-9085](tel:907-563-9085)

Juneau area – dial: [907-586-9085](tel:907-586-9085) (if unable to attend committee hearing)

All other locations – dial: [844-586-9085](tel:844-586-9085) (if unable to attend at your local LIO)



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* See new link below

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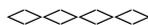
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***Alaska Tax Division – Spring 2018 Revenue Sources Book**

<http://www.tax.alaska.gov/programs/documentviewer/viewer.aspx?1423r>

Congressional Delegation websites (Current phone numbers will be listed on these sites)

<http://murkowski.senate.gov/public> www.sullivan.senate.gov <http://donyoung.house.gov>



~ End Report ~

Be kind and take care of your family and friends!

~ Cliff

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CS HJR 23 Fact Sheet

The Permanent Fund includes two portions – the **Principal** and the **Earnings Reserve Account (ERA)**. Once money is deposited into the Principal, it cannot be appropriated out. The ERA is available for appropriation by any Legislature for any purpose at any time by simple majority vote. As of January 31, 2018, the balance of the Principal is \$49.2 billion and \$16.8 billion for the ERA for a total “value” of \$66 billion. <https://apfc.org/>

As it is now in law (not the constitution), the PFD is based on the average “**earnings**” over the past 5 years of the fund, with 50% of that amount going to the PFD. The **Percent of Market Value (POMV)** proposes to base the PFD on the total “**value**” of the fund versus the “earnings” of the fund. CS HJR 23 (otherwise referred to as the CS) proposes a POMV draw of 4.75%. The total draw would come from the ERA since the Principal cannot be touched. 33% of this draw (\$813 million) would be used for PFD and 67% (\$1.65 billion) for essential public services. This would result in a PFD this October of approximately \$1,258 per qualified Alaskan.

Facts about the Permanent Fund and the CS

- Alaskans would vote on this resolution in November if the CS passes both the House and the Senate.
- The PFD is only in law (Alaska Statute) and not in the Alaska Constitution.
- The current formula for calculating the PFD was passed in 1982.
- The Principal of the Permanent Fund cannot be spent.
- The PFD is currently paid from the ERA (and the same for the CS).
- The ERA can be used for any purpose. If the ERA goes away, so does the PFD.
- Alaskans have never voted to constitutionalize the PFD.
- Without protection, future Legislatures can appropriate the full amount of the ERA, draining the fund, and thus eliminating the PFD.
- CS HJR 23 would protect the ERA by limiting appropriations to a sustainable level of 4.75% annually.
- The Legislature “shall” appropriate the 4.75% draw to the general fund.
- The Legislature “may” appropriate 33% of the 4.75% draw to dividends, leaving 67% for public services.
- “Shall” implies mandated, and “may” implies subject to appropriation by the Legislature. Mandating the amount or percentage to PFD will likely trigger lawsuits.
- The total fund is estimated to earn 6.5% annually, so the amount for the PFD under the CS would increase over time.

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Alice Ruby

Manager
Tod Larson



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MEMORANDUM

Date: March 27, 2018
To: Tod Larson, City Manager
From: Lori Goodell, City Clerk
Subject: Monthly Staff Report

WEBSITE

Updates to the website have begun. I have been working with Leaca Young to discover items that need changes and prioritize layout and content. There were many areas that had outdated information or broken links. We are working diligently to make the webpage a user friendly site that offers as much pertinent information as possible.

CODE COMMITTEE

Code Review Committee met on March 22nd. There was a long discussion regarding the tax cap increase and the consensus was to reduce the cap to \$3,500. They also instructed that the incomplete sentence be corrected in that same part of code. I will be drafting an ordinance to take care of those two items.

Title 7.07 recommended changes were looked at; two items regarding the proposed ordinance were to allow appeals to the city manager for other level classifications, not just level four; and looking into a progressive fee schedule. This proposed language will then go the attorney for review.

The final code issue discussed was the new business license language that went into effect on March 1. The committee directed that an ordinance be drafted to address the small home business/hobby type entities as current code has no remedy at this time.

DISTRAINT

I have received the abstract from the city attorney regarding the title search for the vessel that has been seized. There appear to be no active liens on the vessel. The city will need to get a valuation and then start the public notice process for the sale.

TOBACCO CESSATION

I met with Tiffany Webb and Suzanne Nunn of BBAHC, Health Education Department regarding the tobacco excise tax ordinance. They provided information regarding how an excise tax helps reduce tobacco use, especially among the youth. The recommendation

from the State of Alaska Tobacco Prevention and Control Program is \$3.00 per pack of cigarettes and 75% on other tobacco products. Other community's tax rates were reviewed. The proposed ordinance is a bit lower than other codes inspected. I have included the benefits sheet they provided.

STANDING ITEM(S):

Liquor & Marijuana License Renewals/Transfers/New Licenses.

The Code Committee reviewed the Willow Tree Liquor License renewal application and the city documentation regarding status on city accounts. Based on the review the committee recommends that council take action on this license renewal.

Commission/Board Seats Vacant. The following seats are open:

- Senior Advisory Commission – all seats are currently filled. Three seats expire in April. I have sent out letters to the incumbents as well as begun advertising on the website.

I have received an email from John Heyano regarding continued service for one seat.

- Library Advisory Board has one seat open.

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MEMORANDUM

Date: February 23, 2018
To: Tod Larson, City Manager
From: Lori Goodell, City Clerk
Subject: Monthly Staff Report

TRAINING

The Elected Officials Training scheduled for 2/15 was postponed. It has been rescheduled for March 29th, 9am to 1pm.

WEBSITE

I had a one hour training with the host company that supports our website. I am working toward being more proficient and knowledgeable about how the site works and what all the capabilities are. GovOffice also offers online training that I will be taking as time permits.

CODE COMMITTEE

The Code Committee has been tasked with doing an update to Title 7.07. I have done some research among several other Alaska communities to assess what they have in code and to determine what might work the best here in Dillingham. I have put together a preliminary Ordinance that will go to Public Safety and then to Code Committee for review.

DISTRAINT

There is one fishing vessel ready for seizure. I am waiting for the chief to return to take this next step. I am also trying to find a phone number so can attempt to actually talk to the owner prior to seizure of an asset.

STANDING ITEM(S):

Liquor & Marijuana License Renewals/Transfers/New Licenses.

I just received a renewal for Willow Tree Inn. This renewal is for 2018-2019. I have the internal check going to Finance, Public Safety, and Planning. Then it will go to the Code Committee for review before coming to Council.

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Records Retention Schedule

City Council adopted the State of Alaska Local Government Schedule. This will allow the records retention schedule to be updated and go through a legal review without any cost to the city, as well as standardizing the process. Again, the goal is to start back on this project late spring.

Helpful Tips

Motions

The motion to *Lay on the Table* enables the council to lay the pending question aside temporarily when something else of immediate urgency has arisen or when something else needs to be addressed before consideration of the pending question is resumed. Tabled items stay on the table until taken off or until the end of the next regular meeting.

The motion to *Postpone to a Certain Time* (or *Postpone Definitely*, or *Postpone*) is the motion by which action on a pending question can be put off, within limits, to a definite day, meeting, or hour, or until after a certain event. Postponed items are generally placed on the next meeting agenda under unfinished business.

Postpone Indefinitely is a motion when council declines to take a position on the main question. Its adoption kills the main motion (for the duration of the session) and avoids a direct vote on the question.

Motion	Debatable	Purpose
Lay on the table	No	Temporarily set aside
Postpone	Yes	Put off to specific time
Postpone indefinitely	Yes	Kill

Tobacco Tax Talking Points

Use these talking points to discuss the health and fiscal benefits of implementing a tobacco tax in your community.

Tobacco taxes reduce tobacco use.

Increasing the price of tobacco through taxes **improves community health** by:

- Reducing the number of youth who start using tobacco
- Reducing tobacco consumption among current users
- Encouraging tobacco users to quit
- Preventing relapse among people who have quit tobacco

Tobacco taxes can generate significant revenue.

Every significant increase in local, state, or federal cigarette taxes has resulted in substantial increases in revenues. In 2012, the Bethel City Assembly passed a \$2 per pack tax on cigarettes and an equivalent increase in the tax on other tobacco products. These taxes generated approximately \$600,000 during the first 15 months the tax was collected.

There is broad public support for tobacco taxes.

Surveys show that public support for tobacco taxes is strong across regions, political parties, and demographic groups. Support for tobacco taxes increases when a portion of the revenue generated is used to fund tobacco control efforts

Local governments in Alaska can impose excise taxes on tobacco products without a referral to voters.

The Alaska Supreme Court has ruled (2008) that local governments can impose excise taxes on tobacco products. In addition, the Alaska Supreme Court ruled that tobacco excise taxes are not considered a sales tax. Therefore, tobacco excise taxes do not need to be referred to voters.

Tobacco taxes prevent youth tobacco use.

Increasing the price of tobacco through taxes has a greater impact on youth. Youth typically have less disposable income and are thus more sensitive to changes in price.

A 10% (about \$1/pack) increase in the price of cigarettes...

- Reduces adult smoking by 4%
- Reduces number of youth who smoke by 7%
- Reduces the number of pregnant women who smoke by 7%

Tobacco taxes reduce healthcare costs.

Tobacco use is the leading preventable cause of death in Alaska. Tobacco taxes are a proven method for reducing tobacco use and tobacco-related illnesses such as cancer and heart disease. Increasing tobacco taxes saves governments and businesses millions of dollars in tobacco-related health care costs.

Tobacco tax increases are most effective when high taxes are implemented simultaneously on both cigarettes and smokeless tobacco.

It is most beneficial to implement taxes that will raise the overall unit price of the tobacco products by at least 10%. An equivalent tax on other tobacco products is approximately 22 percent for each dollar of tax on a pack of cigarettes. When tax rates are raised on all tobacco products, government revenues increase and smokers inclined to quit are discouraged from switching to a cheaper tobacco products. Without parallel tax rates, tobacco companies have an incentive to label tobacco products so that they are put in the lower-tax category (e.g., cigarettes being labeled as small cigars).

Sources available upon request

City of Dillingham
 Revenues and Expenditures As of
 December 31, 2017
 Unaudited Figures

	December 31, 2017			December 31, 2016		
	Budget - FY18	MTD	YTD	Percent	YTD	INC/(DEC)
REVENUES:						
<u>General Fund Revenues</u>						
General Sales Tax	\$ 2,700,000	\$ 227,368	\$ 1,274,457	47%	\$ 1,292,514	\$ (18,057)
Alcohol Sales Tax	300,000	21,024	143,154	48%	140,439	2,715
Transient Lodging Sales Tax	85,000	5,615	45,692	54%	43,884	1,808
Gaming Sales Tax	70,000	1,751	24,263	35%	44,259	(19,996)
Total Sales Tax	3,155,000	255,759	1,487,566		1,521,096	(33,529)
Real Property Tax	1,900,000	(1,850)	1,915,285	101%	1,702,044	213,241
Personal Property Tax	620,000	(260)	585,821	94%	572,790	13,031
Total Property Taxes	2,520,000	(2,110)	2,501,106	99%	2,274,834	226,272
Telephone Gross Receipts State Tax	70,000	-	-	0%	-	230,501
Raw Fish Tax	300,000	-	398,350	133%	167,849	-
Shared Fisheries	32,325	-	-	0%	-	-
Revenue Sharing	106,192	-	132,686	125%	132,833	(147)
Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT)	445,000	-	450,803	101%	446,018	4,785
State Jail Contract	527,000	-	269,734	51%	263,426	6,308
Admin Overhead	444,307	71,508	138,162	31%	229,600	(91,438)
PERS on Behalf	109,226	8,580	56,387	52%	63,104	(6,717)
Other Revenues	385,707	48,235	198,432	51%	187,263	11,169
Total	2,419,757	128,323	1,644,554	68%	1,490,093	154,461
Total General Fund Revenues	\$ 8,094,757	\$ 381,971	\$ 5,633,227	70%	\$ 5,286,023	\$ 347,204
Special Revenue Funds Revenues & Transfers	2,983,138		1,750,091	59%	1,561,423	
Total Special Revenue Funds Revenues & Transfers	\$ 11,077,895		\$ 7,383,318	67%	\$ 6,847,446	
<u>Special Revenue Funds Revenues & Transfers</u>						
Water	192,694	17,159	114,274	59%	113,572	702
Sewer	347,000	31,158	195,158	56%	163,788	31,370
Landfill	1,047,233	108,718	336,192	32%	399,455	(63,263)
Dock	734,926	1,030	773,037	105%	557,657	215,380
Dock Insurance Payment	-	-	-	-	90,685	36,512
Boat Harbor	236,252	78,373	127,197	54%	18,900	18,900
Asset Forfeiture Fund	-	-	18,900	-	-	(4,071)
E-911 Service	87,000	5,704	34,243	39%	38,314	(6,444)
Library Grants	57,636	5,775	36,089	63%	42,533	(6,444)
Senior Center (Grant)	126,459	812	64,175	51%	61,533	2,642
Senior Center (Non-Grant)	153,938	33,728	50,827	33%	93,886	(43,059)
Total Special Revenue Funds Revenues & Transfers	\$ 2,983,138	\$ 282,458	\$ 1,750,091	59%	\$ 1,561,423	\$ 188,668
Fisheries Infrastructure	-	-	-	-	-	-
Borough Study Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mary Carlson Estate Permanent Fund Revenue	3,500	-	(369)	-11%	194	(563)
Ambulance Reserve Capital Project Fund Revenue	60,500	-	-	-	-	-
Equipment Replacement Capital Project Fund	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	-	-
School Bond Project	-	-	54	-	-	54
Public Safety Planning	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	-	-
Debt Service Fund Revenue	1,146,150	210,575	210,575	18%	271,171	(60,596)
Landfill Closure Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Capital Project Revenues & Transfers	\$ 1,210,150	\$ 210,575	\$ 210,259	17%	\$ 271,365	\$ (61,106)
Total Revenues & Transfers	\$ 12,288,045	\$ 875,004	\$ 7,593,577	62%	\$ 7,118,811	\$ 474,766

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 Unaudited Figures

	December 31, 2017			December 31, 2016	
	Budget - FY18	MTD	YTD	Actual	INC/(DEC)
EXPENDITURES:					
General Fund Expenditures	\$ 43,000	\$ 2,584	\$ 28,923	\$ 37,543	\$ (8,620)
City Council	132,268	12,502	60,801	61,236	(435)
City Clerk	272,383	29,973	148,855	142,471	6,384
Administration	602,838	73,962	283,345	254,629	28,716
Finance	90,000	11,633	35,739	48,302	(12,563)
Legal	125,000	38,896	79,792	100,702	(20,910)
Insurance	167,971	7,352	87,961	103,777	(15,816)
Non-Departmental	145,555	9,915	45,133	53,808	(8,675)
Planning	4,000	-	2,707	4,986	(2,279)
Foreclosures	3,100	241	1,112	1,278	(166)
Meeting Hall above Fire Station	153,690	18,510	74,413	78,342	(3,928)
Public Safety Administration	473,070	65,454	261,022	228,477	32,545
Dispatch	794,440	70,396	312,114	339,974	(27,860)
Patrol	628,995	73,644	294,617	285,751	8,866
Corrections	42,614	5,085	21,225	19,258	1,967
DMV	93,650	13,565	50,801	42,570	8,231
Animal Control Officer	-	-	-	-	-
PS IT	240,223	20,340	95,192	103,262	(8,070)
Fire	168,665	21,430	89,884	79,793	10,091
Public Works Administration	313,926	23,990	128,211	151,523	(23,312)
Building and Grounds	316,902	19,168	142,251	110,666	31,585
Shop	372,754	42,619	279,782	258,913	20,869
Street	100,700	10,973	49,985	44,095	5,890
Library	1,300,000	325,000	975,000	975,000	-
City School	1,547,510	325,943	450,274	546,125	(95,851)
Transfers to Other Funds	-	-	-	-	-
Total General Fund Expenditures	\$ 8,133,254	\$ 1,223,175	\$ 3,999,138	\$ 4,072,481	\$ (73,343)
Special Revenue Funds Expenditures					
Nushagak Fish Tax	-	-	-	-	-
Water	224,775	71,669	127,992	87,722	40,270
Sewer	295,731	21,994	196,773	198,245	(1,472)
Landfill	1,047,233	48,277	339,366	402,829	(63,463)
Dock	675,459	133,250	771,551	439,216	332,335
Dock (ATD Damages)	-	-	-	-	-
Boat Harbor	232,252	33,336	127,386	91,747	35,639
Asset Forfeiture Fund	-	-	-	-	-
E-911 Service	47,307	-	-	-	-
Library Grants	57,636	6,323	40,840	41,546	(706)
Senior Center (Grant)	126,459	16,605	71,695	67,286	4,409
Senior Center (Non-Grant)	153,938	14,358	53,072	69,403	(16,331)
Total Special Revenue Fund Expenditures	\$ 2,860,790	\$ 345,813	\$ 1,728,676	\$ 1,397,994	\$ 330,682
Total General Fund Expenditures	\$ 10,994,044	\$ 1,568,988	\$ 5,727,814	\$ 5,470,475	
Fisheries Infrastructure Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Borough Study	-	-	662	19,037	(18,375)
Mary Carlson Estate Permanent Fund	5,800	257	\$ 6,745	1,270	5,475
Ambulance Reserve Capital Project Fund	10,000	-	64,546	7,859	56,687
Equipment Replacement Capital Project Fund	135,000	-	-	-	-
School Bond Project	-	-	-	-	-

Public Safety Planning	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt Service Fund	1,146,150	-	-	\$ 210,575	271,171	(60,596)
Landfill Closure Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Capital Project Funds Expenditures	\$ 1,296,950	\$ 257	\$ 282,527		\$ 299,337	\$ (16,810)
Total All Expenditures	\$ 12,290,994	\$ 1,569,245	\$ 6,010,341		\$ 5,769,812	\$ 240,529
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ (2,949)	\$ (694,241)	\$ 1,583,236		\$ 1,348,999	\$ 234,237

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City of Dillingham
 Revenues and Expenditures As of December 31, 2017
 Preliminary Figures - Unaudited

	Fund Bal. 6/30/2017 UnAudited	FY'18 Revenues	FY'18 Expenditures	Add or (-) Fund Bal	Fund Bal. 12/31/2017 Unaudited
General Fund	\$ 3,610,462	\$ 5,633,227	\$ 3,999,138	\$ 1,634,088	\$ 5,244,550
Nushagak Fish Tax	301,838	-	-	-	301,838
Fisheries Infrastructure Fund	67,480	-	-	-	67,480
Borough Study	37,442	-	-	-	37,442
Water & Sewer	(194,241)	309,432	324,765	(15,333)	(209,574)
Landfill	(188,733)	336,192	339,366	(3,175)	(191,908)
Dock	701,964	773,037	771,551	1,485	703,449
Boat Harbor	78,429	127,197	127,386	(189)	78,240
Asset Forfeitures Fund	11,026	18,900	-	18,900	29,926
E-911 Service	249,903	34,243	0	34,243	284,146
Library Grants (Books, Erate, etc.)	6,213	36,089	40,840	(4,751)	1,462
Senior Center	(38,710)	115,002	124,767	(9,765)	(48,475)
Mary Carlson Estate Permanent Fund	344,550	(369)	662	(1,031)	343,519
Ambulance Reserve Capital Project Fund	664,934	-	6,745	(6,745)	658,189
Equipment Replacement Capital Project Fund	88,890	-	64,546	(64,546)	24,344
School Bond Project Capital Project Fund	315	54	-	54	369
Public Safety Planning	28,885	-	-	-	28,885
Debt Service	-	210,575	210,575	-	-
Landfill Closure Fund	172,044	-	-	-	172,044
Other	2,693	-	-	-	2,693
Total	\$ 5,945,383	\$ 7,593,577	\$ 6,010,341	\$ 1,583,236	\$ 7,528,619

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MEMORANDUM

Date: March 29, 2018
To: Tod Larson, City Manager
From: Braden Tinker, Fire Coordinator
Subject: Monthly Staff Report

Summarization of EMS Responses – 8 Calls; 12.6 Total Man Hours

- Abdominal Pain 1
- Breathing Problem 1
- Ingestion Poisoning 1
- Pain 1
- Seizure 1
- Sick Person 2
- Unknown 1

Summarization of Fire Responses 1 –Call; .5 Total Man Hour False Alarm

PROJECTS COMPLETED:

- EMT-2 class, Waiting on the State to get my certification

ON-GOING PROJECTS:

- Vehicle Check offs
- Run Reports
- PDC (30,000 GAL LNG Tank for Bristol Alliance) review of safety issues
- Working on the non-paid runs reports (making progress) will update when Billing gets back to me.
- Seasonal EMT job description (trying to get the job advertised before the middle of April).
- Getting equipment ready for hose, hydrant and pump testing to begin in May.
- Job descriptions for hose testing (Will go out before the end on April).
- 5 new SCBA Tank requisitions.
- 3 sets of turnout gear quotes

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MEMORANDUM

Date: February 26, 2018
To: Tod Larson, City Manager
From: Braden Tinker, Fire Coordinator
Subject: Department Head Report

Summarization of EMS Responses – 16 Calls; 43.8 Total Man Hours

- 2 Breathing Problem
- 1 Cardiac Arrest
- 0 Medical Transport
- 1 Pain
- 1 Other
- 0 Stroke
- 0 Psychiatric
- 1 Traumatic Injury
- 0 Unknown
- 5 Fall Victim
- 1 Chest Pain
- 1 Overdose
- 2 Seizure
- 1 Sick Pierson
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Summarization of Fire Responses 2 –Call; 3.2 Total Man Hour

Youth Rec Center- Stack Fire
BBAHC Mental Health BLDG. – False Alarm

PROJECTS COMPLETED

Medicaid, Medicare Application for Ambulance service mailed in.
Expanded Scope getting finalized with Dr. Stout

ON-GOING PROJECTS:

- EMT 2 Class In-Progress.
- AURORA Elite update and switch over will not happen until June of this year.
- Inventories of all equipment and updating the Department wish list.
- New member packet revision.

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MEMORANDUM

Date: March 27, 2018
To: Tod Larson, City Manager
From: Sonja Marx, Librarian
Subject: March Monthly Report

Even though March is known to be Spring Break time, it sure felt like winter was still here this year with all the snowfall and Beaver Round Up activities happening. The library continued to be busy as the school librarian and other staff were gone on break.

During Beaver Round Up, The Friends of the Library celebrated Dr. Seuss's Birthday with a Green Eggs and Ham Breakfast at the Elementary Cafeteria from 10 to 11:30 am on Saturday, March 24th . . . with Dr. Seuss Birthday cake, crafts, and stories . . . even Eskimo Bingo for kids who dressed as a Dr. Seuss character. "Thank you" to our FOL who make these events fun and exciting for the community on behalf of the library.

This has also been a busy month for the librarian dealing with many grants that are due April 1st along with the vendor selection for internet services as an E-rate application was submitted for the library. These are all important duties as we heavily depend on grants to meet most of our budget needs for materials, supplies and services.

There was not a quorum for the last Library Advisory Board meeting; therefore the next meeting is to be rescheduled before school ends. Seat C will also need to be filled soon as Lacey Calvert will be moving away. We want to thank her for participating on the LAB since May 12, 2016. The term for this seat expires September 30, 2018.

Library Stat report for February 26th - March 24th, 2018:

Patron Visits: 2,079 Computer Use: 572 Wireless Use: 175
Story Hour: 8 Other Visits (including Students): 139 Museum Use: 21
Movies Shown: 3 AWE Station Use: 31 Volunteer hours logged: 3.25

The Library was closed Friday, March 23rd for the Beaver Round Up Holiday

Next LAB meeting to be rescheduled

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MEMORANDUM

Date: February 26, 2018
To: Tod Larson, City Manager
From: Sonja Marx, Librarian
Subject: February Monthly Report

Both the Librarian, Sonja Marx, and the Assistant Librarian, Tona Hanson, will be able to attend the AkLA conference at the Dena'ina Center in downtown Anchorage from March 8-11, 2018. This year's theme is "Bridging the Gaps". Pre-conference workshops will begin on Thursday. This will be Tona's first time to attend an Alaska Library Association Conference. Since it's in Anchorage this year, there will be many more speakers and vendors attending, proving to be an exciting time for her. So much knowledge and training for staff is always gained by attending these conferences which thankfully are completely paid for with grant funds.

The Friends of the Library had a meeting on Saturday, February 3rd in which the Librarian was not able to attend as she was on vacation. Their meeting was very productive as they welcomed Tyler Bishop to their board. Elections were held with Board seats as follows: Susie Jenkins Brito, President; Tyler Bishop, Vice President; Rachel Bobbit, Treasurer; Shannon Clouse, Secretary; and Theresa Leitz, Member at Large. Under New Business, they set goals for 2018 and made purchases.

February is "Love Your Library Month". FOL provided a gift basket for a lucky patron who enters the drawing when they check out a book during the month. They also showed the movie "Wonder" on February 17th at the Elementary School.

Library Stat report for January 22nd – February 24th, 2018:

Patron Visits: 2,829 Computer Use: 772 Wireless Use: 203
Story Hour: 25 Other Visits (including Students): 290 Museum Use: 9
Movies Shown: 4 AWE Station Use: 52 Volunteer hours logged: 0

The Library will be closed Monday, March 26th for Seward's Day

Next LAB meeting Tuesday, February 27th at 5:30 pm at the Library

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MONTHLY REPORT - PLANNING DEPARTMENT February 2018

To: Tod Larson, City Manager
From: Courtenay Carty, Planning Director

Planning Commission

The Planning Commission met on Thursday, February 15th. Two public hearings were held for the BBAHC Subdivision and Ekuk-Dillingham Subdivision final plat packages which were reviewed by the Commission. Both plats were approved by Planning Commission Resolutions 2018-01 and 2018-02 respectively.

Elections were held with the results that Gregg Marxmiller will remain as Chair and William Corbett as Deputy Chair.

Permitting

- Land Use Permits – No new applications were submitted.
- Encroachment Permits – No new applications were submitted.
- Burial Permits – One burial permit was issued this month.
- AKG573004 – The Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) for discharge of the Dillingham Lagoon during the month of January 2018 was submitted to DEC on February 14, 2018.
- AQ1487MSS01 –Minor Air Quality Permit Facility Operating Report for incinerator emissions at the Dillingham Landfill for the period of July 1 to Dec. 31, 2017 was submitted to DEC on January 15, 2018.

Capital Projects

ITB 2017-10 Dillingham Lagoon and Dock Lift Station Improvements -
Elite Mechanical and JJC Enterprises (subcontractor)

Major project outcomes include rerouting the force main from HUD into the lagoon as well as installation of a new effluent manhole and flowmeter. These improvements are addressing infrastructure deficiencies which led to our Notice of Violation at the Dillingham lagoon. The project total is \$1,144,523.54 and the project is behind schedule.

ITB 2017-12 Dillingham Water Systems Improvements – This project was for necessary improvements to upgrade the Dillingham domestic water system by connecting our new wells to the water treatment plant and updating the electronic systems that regulate water production. Premier Electric is wrapping up their work while CRW Engineering is providing construction management assistance through the contract closeout. This project total is \$765,934 and will be completed in March 2018.

ITB 2017-13 Landfill Cell 3, Phase 1 – This project will expand Landfill Cell 3 in a phased approach which will allow the City to expand the cell in order to meet landfill needs at a cost that is manageable at this time. Future expansions will be phased in when funds are available. Bristol Engineering is our engineer of record for this project while JJC Enterprises is constructing Phase 1A of the Landfill Cell 3 expansion. This project total is \$214,205 and will begin on March 19, 2018.

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MEMORANDUM

Date: March 27, 2018
To: City Manager Tod Larson
From: Chief Dan Pasquariello
Subject: Public Safety April 2018 report

Reporting period 2-28-18 to 3-27-18

Police:

- ❖ 274 Calls for service
- ❖ 19 Persons arrested
- ❖ 30 Title 47/Protective custody
- ❖ 10 Citations issued
- ❖ 40 Incident reports

Approximately 1 out of 10 calls for police service require an incident report to be completed by officers. A partial breakdown of our incident reports is as follows:

Assault/Disorderly Conduct	9
Trespass	9
Violation release/probation conditions	9
Thefts	3
Vehicle accidents	3
Drug offense	2
Suicide threats	1
Death Investigation	1

On the 15th the patrol division participated in Rescue Task Force (RTF) training, held at the school and taught by Alaska State Troopers SERT members. The training focused on police and EMS working together to aid injured persons during an active shooter incident. All officers (except one nightshift officer) and many members of the DVFD/Rescue Squad attended the training. Also attending were troopers from the local AST/AWT post, a State Park ranger, and a US Fish and Wildlife officer. The training was excellent and it was heartening that members from the various law enforcement agencies in Dillingham all got together to prepare to assist local citizens in a potential crisis situation.

We are still trying to fill vacant police officer positions, advertising Statewide and nationally. Several Dillingham residents, without academy training or police experience, have expressed interest in the positions and we are considering local hire.

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Corrections:

- ❖ 31 Total Inmates
- ❖ 30 Title 47/Protective custody

We have hired a new corrections officer to replace the one that transferred to Dispatch.

Our new electronic fingerprint machine has finally been installed. This equipment was given to us by State DOC, at zero cost.

Dispatch:

- ❖ 333 Calls for service
- ❖ 82% Dispatched to Dillingham Police
- ❖ 5% Dispatched to Alaska State Troopers
- ❖ 7% Dispatched to EMS/Fire
- ❖ 6% Dispatched to Animal Control

Animal Control:

- ❖ 7 Animals impounded (*dogs*)
- ❖ 4 animals returned to owners
- ❖ 1 dog bite
- ❖ 2 puppies sent to Alaska Dog/puppy rescue
- ❖ 2 dogs sent to Wildwood Corrections Center
- ❖ 1 dog surrendered to shelter
- ❖ 2 compassionate euthanasias
- ❖ 1 shelter animal euthanized
- ❖ 52 Rabies/parvo shots given

During Beaver Roundup the ACO held the annual two day rabies clinic, with the help of volunteers .a total of 44 rabies vaccinations were given and 24 dog licenses were issued.

DMV:

- ❖ 47 Registrations/Titles
- ❖ 1 Boat registrations
- ❖ 74 Driver's License/IDs
- ❖ 2 CDLs
- ❖ 4 Road tests
- ❖ 26 Written tests

Our Vision. To have an infrastructure and city workforce that supports a sustainable, diversified and growing economy. We will partner with others to achieve economic development and other common goals that assure a high quality of living, and excellence in education.

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MEMORANDUM

Date: February 27, 2018
To: City Manager Tod Larson
From: Sergeant Rodney Etheridge
Subject: **February 2018 Council Report** (*reporting period 1/23/18 to 2/26/18*)

POLICE:

- ❖ 300 Calls for service
- ❖ 49 Incident reports
- ❖ 18 Persons arrested
- ❖ 25 Title 47/Protective custody
- ❖ 32 Citations issued

All of our current officers are APSC Certified and each have been with us for at least two years.

The Chief of Police and Sergeant were both absent for one week this month and a patrol officer was placed in charge of the Public Safety Department in their absence; the department was managed well in the absence of the supervisors.

We are currently seeking two police officers to complete our staff.

CORRECTIONS:

- ❖ 30 Total Inmates
- ❖ 24 Title 47/Protective custody

One corrections officer returned to regular duty after completing the corrections academy in Palmer. Corrections is currently seeking one officer to complete their staff.

DISPATCH:

- ❖ 377 Calls for service 1/23/2018 – 2/26/2018
- ❖ 84% Dispatched to Dillingham Police
- ❖ 5% Dispatched to Alaska State Troopers
- ❖ 6% Dispatched to EMS/Dillingham Fire
- ❖ 5% Dispatched to Dillingham Animal Control
- ❖ 125 E-911 calls received

One dispatcher resigned this month, and the position has been filled by a transfer from Corrections.

Our records management system has malfunctioned and we have been using paper documentation since February 21. We look forward to implementing our new RMS.

ANIMAL CONTROL:

- ❖ 07 Citations written
- ❖ 10 Animal Impounds. All Dogs
- ❖ 04 Animals returned to owners all Dogs
- ❖ 01 Dog Euthanized. Dog Bite Case 18-016
- ❖ 02 Owner Surrendered Dogs
- ❖ 02 Dogs sent to Wild Wood Correctional Facility
- ❖ 02 Puppies sent to Juneau Alaska
- ❖ 01 Compassionate Euthanasia. Dog
- ❖ 08 Rabies shots given
- ❖ 03 Parvo shots given

The Animal Control Department is running smoothly.

DMV:

- ❖ 03 – Commercial D/L
- ❖ 53 – Driver License
- ❖ 42 – Identification Card
- ❖ 01 – HC Permits (No Fee)
- ❖ 03 – Miscellaneous Fee
- ❖ 28 – Vehicle Registration
- ❖ 17 – Title / Lien
- ❖ 00 – Boat Registration
- ❖ 13 – Road Test

Running smoothly.