

Port commission sets priorities for coming meetings

By DAN RUDY
Sentinel writer

Meeting last week for the first time since June, Wrangell's Port Commission set some priorities for its coming sessions.

"We have a number of items we're going to have on our plate," explained commission president Clay Hammer.

Of these, the three largest issues will be organizing a steering committee for construction of a new mariners memorial, reassessing the duration of lot leases at the Marine Service Center, and managing public access to the boatyard.

The longest in the works, construction of the memorial weighed highly among commissioners. With architectural designs completed this summer, commissioners decided in February that a steering committee ought to be established, involving some of their own current and former members and interested community members. The committee's task would be to establish a nonprofit board to raise and handle funds for the memorial's construction, oversee that work and report to the Port Commission on a quarterly basis. Commissioners decided a formal memorandum of understanding would need to be signed between a board and the city as well, as the memorial will be on land managed by the Harbor Department overlooking Heritage Harbor.

Draft designs for the memorial were presented to the public last year. On the project, PND Engineers of Juneau estimated it could cost more than \$330,000, including contingency costs. Planners recommended a phased approach to construction, with a memorial wall for commemorative plaques and a pavilion to be the first built.

Commissioner John Yeager proposed a workshop be held with possible committee members.

"It would be nice to bring this up," he said. "There's been a lot of interest in forming this subcommittee."

"It's a very important project, and I want us to stay on top of it," Hammer added.

After consulting the calendar, a date of November 9 was fixed, with a workshop on the memorial to precede the commission's meeting at 6 p.m.

Of the other issues on the Port Commission's plate, Yeager advised that the topic of access to the boatyard be moved up as a priority. At their last meeting in June, commissioners considered drawing up an agreement with local tour operators which would help regulate access to the yard.

Tour businesses Gold Rush Tours and Alaska Waters have for several seasons been taking visitors through the yard on buses, a practice which the managing Harbor Department had problems with. At their request, the city issued letters to the tour operators instructing them to refrain from entering the yard.

"None of us want to see something tragic happen out there," explained harbormaster Greg Meissner. He pointed out that yard employees, contractors and barge company Alaska Marine Lines are often busy during the day operating heavy machinery, which does not mix well with unattended sight-seers.

Tour companies have argued their clients remain onboard the bus during tours, and that drivers keep out of the way of work traffic. Meissner added it was not only the buses, but pedestrians and bicyclists that also are a problem. The subject of television programs like National Geographic's "The Yard" also came up since Wrangell's MSC is of interest for visitors to the island.

"I understand why it's so intriguing to look at," Meissner conceded. But he reiterated his view that operations there were unsafe for visitors.



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People pick out pumpkins from the Chamber's annual pumpkin patch on Saturday. Featuring rides, games, purchasable pies and prizes, the event coincides with the city's October Sales Tax Free Day to give kids something fun to do while parents shop.



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Wrangell's 4th Annual Pumpkin Patch

A little customer goes to get a little pumpkin weighed at the Chamber of Commerce's annual Pumpkin Patch, assisted by Kim Lane. Proceeds from the event go to sponsor future patches, which purchases the orange squash from Bobs' IGA and City Market.

In order to discuss options moving forward, a workshop between commissioners and outfitters was recommended. At Yeager's advice, the timing was moved up in priority.

"I think it is a little more time-sensitive than it seems," he explained. For advertising, tour companies have to submit descriptions of their services well ahead of the season. "I do feel it would be possibly best if we can have an answer for them earlier instead of later."

Rather than bump back the memorial workshop to a later date or else split time between both issues, com-

missioner John Martin suggested an additional workshop be added ahead of the next meeting to deal with the problem separately.

"We have some pretty heavy topics here that might require holding two or three of these a month," he said.

"Golly, we're going to get workshoped to death, I can see that right now," Hammer commented.

A date was set for October 27 at 7 p.m. Members of the public are invited to attend.

Also of importance is potentially offering longer

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Birthdays & Anniversaries

The Sentinel extends its best wishes to the persons listed on the Wrangell Chamber of Commerce Community Scholarship Birthday Calendar.

Thursday, October 13: Karen Lockabey, Tori Gulla, Joyce Phillips, Tyler Sebastian, Victoria Roberts, **Friday, October 14:** Erika Seimears, Diane Comer, Dustin Johnson, Ariana Ellsworth, **Saturday, October 15:** Bonnie Stutz, Amanda Kalkins, **Anniversary:** Kurt and Jeannette Newcomb, **Sunday, October 16:** Kathy Jahner, Bonnie Demerjian, Leslie Kagee, Ken Cesar, Craig Villarma, **Monday, October 17:** Charles Meissner, Sr., Ryan Olson, Kari Mork, Rachel Angerman, Ann Benson, **Anniversary:** Fred and Sumi Angerman, **Tuesday, October 18:** Steve Thomassen, Sr., Mikee Lockabey, Cyni Crary, Ian Bunes, Kevin Neyman, **Wednesday, October 19:** Duncan Rooney, Paula Wickman, Rian Guggenbickler, Lee Byrd, Jr., Rob Davidson, Sr., **Anniversary:** Chris and Jodie Guggenbickler, **Thursday, October 20:** Patrick Howell, Stephen Peabody, Tony Guggenbickler, **Anniversary:** Evan and Rebecca Fortunato

If you would like to add a birthday or anniversary at no charge please call the Sentinel at 874-2301.

Senior Center Menu

Friday, October 14:

Country pork stew, romaine and radish salad, biscuits

Monday, October 17:

1/2 Roast beef sandwich, corn chowder, creamy coleslaw

Tuesday, October 18:

Closed for Alaska Day.

Wednesday, October 19:

Baked ham, scalloped potatoes, peas and carrots, peachy jello

Thursday, October 20:

Chicken adobo, rice, oriental vegetables, honey orange salad

Friday, October 21:

Creole pork, pasta, cauliflower, sunshine salad

Please call Wrangell Senior Center at 874-2066 by 10 a.m. for reservations.

Milk, tea and coffee will be served with meals.

FERRY SCHEDULE

Departures

Northbound

Saturday, October 15

Matanuska 7:45 a.m.

Sunday, October 16

Kennicott 9:45 p.m.

Tuesday, October 18

Matanuska 11:15 p.m.

Saturday, October 22

Matanuska 2:30 a.m.

Sunday, October 23

Kennicott 3:45 p.m.

Southbound

Friday, October 14

Matanuska 12:00 p.m.

Monday, October 17

Matanuska 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 19

Kennicott 9:15 a.m.

Friday, October 21

Matanuska 10:45 a.m.

Monday, October 24

Matanuska 9:30 a.m.

Arrival times may vary. Call 874-2021 for verification or call 874-3711 for recorded information.



TIDES TABLE

October 13 - October 20

	High Tides		Low Tides		AM		PM	
	Time	Ft	Time	Ft	Time	Ft	Time	Ft
Oct. 13	11:33	16.2	11:48	16.4	5:04	0.4	5:32	0.9
Oct. 14	-----	-----	12:13	17.6	5:50	-0.5	6:17	-1.0
Oct. 15	0:35	17.4	12:52	18.7	6:32	-1.0	7:00	-2.5
Oct. 16	1:20	17.9	1:31	19.4	7:13	-1.2	7:42	-3.5
Oct. 17	2:05	18.0	2:11	19.6	7:53	-0.9	8:25	-3.8
Oct. 18	2:51	17.6	2:53	19.4	8:35	-0.2	9:10	-3.5
Oct. 19	3:39	16.8	3:37	18.6	9:19	0.8	9:59	-2.6
Oct. 20	4:30	15.7	4:25	17.3	10:07	2.1	10:52	-1.4

Wrangell Roundup: Special Events

Thursday, October 13

SAIL Class: 10 a.m. Senior Apartments Atrium. Stay Active and Independent for Life (SAIL) free class is a strength, balance and fitness class for adults 65+. For more info call 874-3375.

Healthy Eating Demo on Healthy Food Preparation: 11:30 a.m. Senior Apartments Atrium. Free class. Learn how easy it is to prepare healthy and delicious food. Samples will be available. For more info call 874-3375.

Tuesday, October 18

SAIL Class: 10 a.m. Senior Apartments Atrium. Stay Active and Independent for Life (SAIL) free class is a strength, balance and fitness class for adults.

Alaska Day Luncheon: 12 p.m. Lutheran Church. To Honor Wrangells Senior Citizens with entertainment and guest speaker Mindy Sherwood.

Saturday, October 22

American Legion Membership Potluck Dinner: 6 p.m. Legion Hall. American Legion 4th annual Post & Auxiliary Early Bird Membership Potluck Dinner, Auxiliary Dept. President and Dept. Post Vice Commander will be attending, a program is planned.

Is the attendance at your meeting or event low? Call Rachel at the Sentinel to have it placed here.

Continuing Events

PARKS & REC ACTIVITIES: Lap Swim: M, W, F 6:00-7:30 a.m. & 5:00-6:00 p.m., M-F 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., S 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.; Arthritis Foundation Exercise Class: at the Pool: M, W, F, 9:00-10:00 a.m.; Water Aerobics: M, W, F 10:00-11:00 a.m.; Family Swim: F 6:00-7:00 p.m.; General Swim: M & W 6:00-7:00 p.m., F 7:00-8:00 p.m., S 1:00-2:00 p.m.; Weight Room: M-TH 6:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m., 3:30-7:30 p.m., F 6:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m., 3:30-8:30 p.m., S 10:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Extra 2 Lane Lap Swim: M-W-F 10:00-11:00 a.m.

OTHER MEETINGS/ACTIVITIES/EVENTS:

AA Meetings: Step Study, Mon 8 p.m., Tu. 7 p.m., Toss Off Th. 7 p.m., Smoked Fish F 8 p.m., at the Episcopal Church Parish Hall, Study Materials provided. Wed. M & M 12 p.m. at the Catholic Parish Hall, use back entrance.

NA Meeting: Wednesday, We Do Recover, 8 p.m. at the Episcopal Church Parish Hall.

Bridge Social: F, 1 p.m. at th Island of Faith Lutheran Church 874-3440, 874-3507.

Salvation Army Food Bank: Tuesday, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. For information or questions please call Major Michael Bates at 874-3753.

The Way We Were

In the Sentinel 75, 50 and 25 years ago.

October 26, 1916: A. O'Kelley was in town from Frosty Bay all last week having some work done at the machine shop. We happened to make a trip to the machine shop while the work for Mr. Kelley was being done, and noticed that in pulling a wheel off a shaft four iron hooks were used to bind the wheel to a large nut that worked on a two inch screw. The threads of the screw were eight to the inch. The lever used to work the screw was four feet. It took two men who could pull about two hundred pounds each to work the lever. The screw was pointed against a shaft. Question: How strong a pull did it take to pull the wheel of the shaft?

October 24, 1941: Wrangell Chamber of Commerce at its regular luncheon meeting Monday noon in the Civic Center went on record urging the Town Council to repair the streets in town, particularly those by the new Federal building and leading to the Post Office entrance. If something is not done to put the street running from Front to the Post Office in shape, it will soon only be passable with a pair of rubber boots, several members pointed out. With the rainy season here, walking on virtually all the streets in and around the Federal building is hazardous, it was stated. Communication to the Council also was ordered, urging more stringent enforcement of the liquor closing ordinance and enforcement of the curfew law. It was said that some of the liquor places are closed in accordance with the regulations but that others are permitted to remain open after hours.

October 21, 1966: City Council at a special meeting Wednesday night approved the purchase of an additional fire truck and raised the city tax levy from 17 mills to 19 mills. The new equipment will be the same as the more recent truck and Fire Chief Gordon Bunes reported to the council it will take about six months for delivery. The council adopted a city budget based on a revenue figure from all sources of \$500,800. General property taxes, estimated at \$138,500, coupled with garbage collection receipts, liquor and fish refunds and other sources, is expected to yield \$200,800. Sales tax return was estimated at \$60,000, light and power income \$200,000, water \$26,000, cemetery \$1,000, for a total of \$507,800.

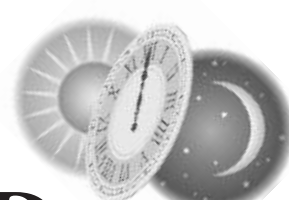
October 24, 1991: Wrangell's Shady Ladies apparently have finally earned national exposure. The Ladies were in Sitka for the

Alaska Day festivities last week, and they must have left quite an impression. "We had a wonderful time," June Robinson said. "CBS was there and they filmed us singing 'Oh, What a Beautiful Morning.'" The song was to be used as an introduction on the network's "CBS This Morning" program. No one was sure what day the song would be used, but it was expected to happen this week. Robinson said the Ladies attended the Baranof Ball, marched in the parade, attended a luncheon for the VIP's of the parade, participated in cemetery dedication ceremonies, and performed in both the talent show and a fashion show. Also on their busy agenda were trips to the Pioneer Home for senior citizens, a day care/nursery school facility and Sitka's high school to meet with foreign exchange students. Robinson said it was "really a busy time" and "all the Ladies were really proud to be in it."



Wrangell Weather

Date	High	Low
October 2	53	39
October 3	53	44
October 4	53	42
October 5	46	44
October 6	48	42
October 7	57	39
October 8	50	42
October 9	51	33



Daylight Hours

Date	Sunrise	Sunset	Daylight
Oct. 13	7:15a	5:52p	10:37h
Oct. 14	7:17a	5:50p	10:33h
Oct. 15	7:19a	5:47p	10:28h
Oct. 16	7:21a	5:45p	10:24h
Oct. 17	7:23a	5:42p	10:19h
Oct. 18	7:25a	5:40p	10:15h
Oct. 19	7:27a	5:37p	10:10h
Oct. 20	7:29a	5:35p	10:06h

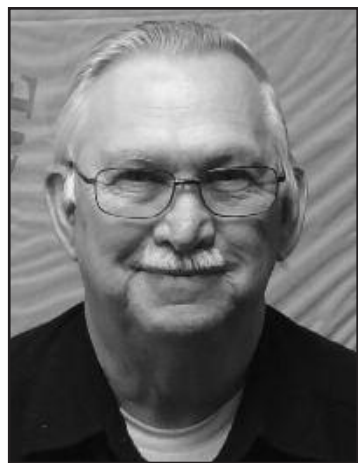
Voter turnout 27-percent in municipal election

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Wrangell's 2016 Municipal Election concluded last week, with results certified by a special meeting of the Borough Assembly on Monday.

The Canvass Board met October 6 to sort through and count additional ballots. Assembly members Dave Powell, Mark Mitchell and Becky Rooney comprised the board, which was supervised by Borough Clerk Kim Lane and election chair Sarah Whittlesey-Merritt.

Seventy-two ballots in addition to those cast on October 4 were considered, which included absentee or mailed-in votes and those deemed questionable. One of the 10 questionable ballots ended up being counted, with others deemed uncountable by state and local statutes due to the voters being registered elsewhere.



David Jack

Of the 72, 55 absentee, one special needs, four mail-in and two faxed ballots were also approved for the count. With the new totals taken into account, the final results ultimately did not differ from those preliminarily reported directly after the election.

Mayor David Jack was reelected with 373 votes, with candidate Kipha Valvoda receiving 56. Julie Decker was reelected to another term on the Borough Assembly with 399 votes, and write-in candidate Patty Gilbert was elected to fill the other three-year seat with



Julie Decker

180. By Tuesday all three had been sworn into office ahead of that evening's scheduled meeting

Running unopposed for one of two three-year seats on the Port Commission, incumbent John Yeager was reelected with 422 votes. Write-in candidate Gary Morrison was elected to the other



Patty Gilbert

seat with 96 votes.

Elected to two three-year terms on the School Board were incumbent Rinda Howell with 209 votes and Georgianna Buhler with 248 votes. Candidates Robert Rang and Scott Seddon received 188 and 156 votes, respectively.

On the Wrangell Hospital

Board, two candidates ran unopposed and were elected for two, two-year unexpired seats. Incumbent Olinda White received 348 votes, and school superintendent Patrick Mayer received 300. In a close race for one four-year term on the board, incumbents Barbara Conine and Marlene Meissner received only five votes difference after all the votes were in, narrowing the six-vote difference of the preliminary count. Meissner was reelected with 207 votes to Conine's 202.

Voters also approved Proposition 1 by 376 votes to 57, decommissioning the Nolan Center Board.

Total turnout was at 27 percent, with 456 votes cast out of a pool of 1,685 voters.

A number of vacancies remain for appointed boards and committees. Two letters were received for the Planning and Zoning Commission, by current members Terri Henson and Apryl Hutchinson. Both were confirmed at Tuesday's Assembly meeting to serve until October 2019. One more vacancy remains on the commission, as well as one on the Parks and Recreation Board, two for the Convention and Visitors Board, and two for the Economic Development Committee. People willing to serve in any of these positions are invited to submit a letter of interest to Lane's office at City Hall.

With municipal elections concluded, absentee in-person voting for the upcoming general election on November 8 begins on October 24. Those wishing to cast their votes early can do so at City Hall during regular business hours, Monday through Friday.

Police report

Monday, October 3

Agency Assist – WMC.
Report of Scam.
Illegal Parking – Harbor Department.

Tuesday, October 4

Citation issued to James Jenkins, 52, for Dog at Large.
Agency Assist.
Traffic Stop – Verbal warning given for driving habits.
Report of Disturbance.
Person reported someone's tire just flew off their vehicle. Tow truck responded.

Wednesday, October 5

Citizen Assist – Officer unlocked vehicle.
Dog At Large.
Concerned Citizen – Person contacted officer.
Agency Assist – Warrant Arrest – Arrested David Churchill, 19, on charges of outstanding warrant re: Minor Possess/Consume Habitual.
Report of Criminal Mischief.
Traffic – Officer spoke with driver about green headlights. Person peeled off green plastic.
Traffic Stop – Verbal warning for driving habits.

Thursday, October 6

Disturbance. Officer did stand-by.
Traffic – Verbal warning for over width load.
Phone Scam.
Disorderly Conduct. Officer responded.

Friday, October 7

Disorderly Conduct – Officer responded.
Traffic Complaint.
Illegal Parking.

Saturday, October 8

Verbal Altercation.
Agency Assist – EMT's.

Sunday, October 9

Nothing to Report.

There were five dog complaints and one ambulance call during this week.

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Deadline: 10/18/16

Obituary: Albert G. Feller, Sr., 95

Albert G. Feller, Sr., 95, died peacefully at his home in Ketchikan, Alaska on September 21, 2016.

He was born on January 21, 1921, in Wrangell to Otto Feller, Sr. and Susie Cooday Feller. Al was a member of the Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska. He was Tlingit of the Kik'sadi, Raven/Frog, of the Sun House in Wrangell.

He was a lifetime member of VFW and American Legion and a member of the ANB/ANS. Al served his country honorably during World War II and spent 3 1/2 years in the Aleutian Islands. He was with the 10th Rescue Boat Squadron and was also a war supply sergeant.

Al was born and raised in Wrangell,

but later moved to Ketchikan after he met and married his wife Flora. They were married for 61 years until Flora's passing in 2004. Al spent his early years as a commercial fisherman fishing on the Christine II with his dad and brothers. He also owned two boats of his own, the F/V Sea Lassie and Ethel G. He later worked for many years as a longshoreman as well as various other jobs over the years in Ketchikan. Al loved coming back to Wrangell, accompanied by his nephew Tom "Buzz" Feller, to visit family and friends and attend the annual game dinner.

Preceding him in death was his wife Flora; sons Albert G. Feller, Jr. and Robert C. Feller; father, Otto Feller, Sr.,



Albert G. Feller, Sr.

mother Susie Cooday Feller, brothers, Otto Feller, Jr., John Feller, Sr.; Thomas C. Feller, Sr., sisters, Annie Johnson and Clara Webster, and niece Erma Axberg.

Al is survived by his daughter, Erma Feller Schwartz; grandsons, Robert (Amy) Feller, Eric Schwartz, Keith (Lisa) Schwartz; granddaughters, Tonia (Nik) Nebl; Lacie (Ron) Sheldon; great grandchildren, Kyan Feller, Mykalena and Harrison Sheldon; Zac and Larson Nebl; Luke Schwartz, Kyle Schwartz; sister Christine Jenkins; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services will be held at Saxman in Ketchikan on October 14 at 1:00 p.m. with a Celebration of Life immediately following for family and friends.

Dan's Dispatch

By Representative
Dan Ortiz

Public radio is a lifeline for rural communities. It connects

our community of islands here in Southeast, and our neighbors scattered across the far and wide villages of Northern Alaska. In

many areas of Alaska public radio is the only means of issuing emergency alerts, public safety announcements, and relaying

important community information.

Public radio should be an investment of the Department of Public Safety. Public radio currently finds its support from the Department of Administration, but that is not the appropriate category of management for this communication service. For the

purpose of more consistent funding, public radio would be better categorized from the budget of the Department of Public Safety than the Department of Administration. Please share your thoughts on this suggestion by emailing me at rep.dan.ortiz@akleg.gov or calling me at (907) 247-4672.



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Reflections

The Lost Ship

There was a boy who loved to watch the ships sail. One day while walking home, He thought "I can build a sailboat." He thought about the design and went about collecting the needed materials. He borrowed tools from his dad, a saw, a drill, sand paper, paint and a brush. He made the boat with his own two hands. He took it on the water and a wind came up and blew it away from shore. As he was searching for it, he heard his mom call him to dinner. He obediently went home. Sadly he sat through the meal and then the family helped him look for his boat. All along the shoreline they looked but couldn't find it. Sometime passed and the boy took all his savings to town to see what he could buy. He saw his boat in a second hand store. It cost him all that he had but he gladly paid the full price.

Jesus designed and created us. We were lost in a world of sin, so He came looking for us and when He found us, He willingly paid the full price to redeem us from our transgressions. When you see a sailboat, think of the boy and his lost ship and remember the Savior and His lost children blessings.

Pastor Charlie Meigs
Seventh-day Adventist

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Ortiz makes case for re-election

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Rep. Dan Ortiz is running for reelection on November 8, to represent District 36 in the Alaska State House. Going door to door through Wrangell on the campaign trail late last month, he stopped in the Sentinel office to talk about his record, his candidacy, and the direction he believes the state should head in the coming session.

Unaffiliated with any political party, after being elected to office in 2014, Ortiz served both legislative sessions caucusing with the Democratic-led House Minority. He presented that as a strength under the state's current financial circumstances, which has seen legislators wrangle over spending items in an effort to reduce a multibillion dollar deficit.

"If you take a look at what happened, despite the fact that I was in the minority I was able to – with the leverage that the minority had on the Constitutional Budget Reserve monies – we were able to restore money to the Alaska Marine Highway System in both years," he said.

Accessing the CBR requires a three-quarters supermajority, which the currently Republican-led House Majority lacks. In order to pass a budget, votes from members of both caucuses would be needed, which Ortiz explained gave the minority leverage to

return some funding to areas like education and the ferry system. A supermajority agreed to a compromise budget in May, which made up for the shortfall in revenue with CBR funds while reducing the FY17 budget by seven percent from the previous year.

Ortiz added that being in the House Majority – which he pointed out he had not been invited to join – might have restricted his ability to vote in the district's best interests.

"Those people who were part of the majority who might have been sympathetic to those issues, they had to vote for that. My opponent would also have to vote for that. If the majority doesn't change, and that majority follows that path that they followed in the last session, he's going to have to vote, sometimes against the best interest of the district."

But along with cuts Ortiz pointed out additional sources of revenue would be needed to further reduce Alaska's spending deficit, which is set to exhaust the CBR in a couple of budget cycles if left unaddressed. A number of potential items for increasing state revenue went unaddressed during the session, something Ortiz expressed frustration about.

"We're supposed to serve in the best interest of the state. In the last legislative session, that didn't happen. Particularly in the House side, we were unable to



PHOTO BY DAN RUDY

Collecting for the Cougars

In an impromptu fundraiser run, Southeast Beasts and participants in the Stikine Middle School basketball program undertook a five-kilometer walk and jog on Sunday to raise money for the Cougars' upcoming season. Donations were collected informally, and a new pair of Xtratuf boots was donated by Johnson's Building Supply. The running group will be preparing to hold its big Alaska Day Half Marathon and 5K on Oct. 22.

even vote on any meaningful measure that addressed the state's number one problem, which is our fiscal situation. So how can the existing majority give the message that they accomplished or that they were able to address the best interest of the state, when they didn't even vote on any measure that addressed the biggest issue? We just didn't vote, which is crazy. If we continue in this next session with that same majority body, what's going to be different?"

Looking ahead, Ortiz hoped to see the emergence of a bipartisan majority from among the state's rural and coastal districts, one which would put less emphasis on oil tax credits and other subsidies in a time of cuts to public

jobs and services, while focusing on solutions to cash inflow which would be felt more evenly across the state.

"If we can get a bipartisan majority – and there's very good indication that that might happen – one of our first tasks will be to come up with some meaningful legislation that puts the state on a sound fiscal path, a sustainable path," he said.

After passage of the Legislature's budget, Gov. Bill Walker in June used his veto powers to further cut items from this fiscal year. These amounted to \$1.29 billion, including a cap on individual Permanent Fund Dividend payments to \$1,022 and reduction of the state's oil and gas tax credits by more than

half.

"Thankfully the governor vetoed the money in this year's budget," Ortiz commented. "But when he did that, all he did was pass on an obligation that the state now has into the future. That doesn't get off us off the hook, that just pushes it down the road."

In next week's issue, the Sentinel interviews Republican candidate for District 36 Bob Sivertsen. Candidates for the Alaska House race will be attending a debate in Wrangell on October 26, set for 6:30 p.m. at City Hall. The event is being organized by radio station KSTK and is open to the public.

Wrangell welcomes new business in lease transfer

By DAN RUDY
Sentinel writer

A new business will be setting up shop at Wrangell's boatyard.

At its meeting last week, the

Port Commission recommended transfer of Lot 6 at the Marine Service Center, belonging to Josh Young of J&R Fiberglass, to Steve Christensen of CTT Marine. If approved by the Borough Assembly Tuesday, the deal between the two business owners can be concluded this weekend. It would also be the first lease lot transferred since the yard was built.

"We'll try to build on the reputation Josh has already built with that," Christensen said.

He and his wife, Lynne, arrived in Wrangell just over two weeks ago with their eight chil-

dren. The family had previously been living in the Bristol Bay area, where Christensen had worked for B&C Fiberglass for three years.

He has 25 years of experience in the trade, plus eight years spent divided between the Army and Washington National Guard serving in the Corps of Engineers. Christensen had spent a tour in Kuwait during the Persian Gulf War, and after concluding his service has worked in the marine industry since.

Acquainted with Young through work projects, Christensen said he was interested

in acquiring J&R Fiberglass after Young transitioned to running a restaurant at the start of this year. After reading up on the area and devising a business model, the Christensen family committed to the decision to move. After selling their house they made the trip to Wrangell in their RV, and have since been settling in.

"We're loving it," Christensen said. He explained his wife had grown up in a rural community, and that Wrangell suited them. "We've been wanting to get back to something like this."

For the time being, Christensen said he would continue to use the J&R business name. He intends to build up the 60-foot by 60-foot lot at the yard, adding a permanent wooded or steel structure there for his projects.

"We'll probably work on getting that up first," he said. "That'll be here in the next year, couple of

years."

The business will continue catering to commercial and charter fishing boats, motor yachts and pleasure craft. In addition to fiberglass and gel-coat repair and fabrication, Christensen explained he can do rigging, navigation, mechanical and hardware installations, electrical, systems repair and refurbishment. A full listing of services is available at www.cttmarine.com.

The business is now listed with Wrangell's Chamber of Commerce, and Christensen said with the transfer of ownership he will maintain J&R's online presence.

"There are lots of ways to visit us," he said.

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Ferry system seeking comment on 2017 summer proposal

By DAN RUDY
Sentinel writer

The state Department of Transportation and Public Facilities announced Tuesday a proposed ferry schedule for the coming summer.

The schedule patterns being proposed for the Alaska Marine Highway System would cover sailings from May through September. The schedule is based on expected funding levels for the 2018 fiscal year. It would feature an overall 10-week service reduction to operations, down to around 325 operating weeks.

"It's pretty consistent,"

explained Jeremy Woodrow, public information officer for ADOT&F.

Service to Wrangell would essentially remain unchanged. For the month of May through the 24th, a total of six stops would be made each week by the Matanuska and Columbia. Southbound journeys headed as far as Prince Rupert, British Columbia, would make stops Monday afternoons and midday on Fridays. Heading as far south as Bellingham, Washington, the Columbia would pass through on Wednesday mornings. Northward and Skagway-bound, the two fer-

ries would make stops Wednesday mornings, Saturday evenings and Sunday afternoons.

For the duration of the summer after May 24, Wrangell would continue to be serviced by the Columbia and Matanuska with the same frequency. Southbound, the Matanuska would stop on Thursdays just before noon and Sunday afternoons. The Columbia would stop in Wednesday mornings, returning for the northbound leg of its weekly journey Sunday afternoons. The Matanuska would make its northbound stops Tuesday mornings and Friday nights.

The proposed schedule also contains a list of summertime community events for AMHS to consider in its scheduling, such as Petersburg's Little Norway Festival from May 18 to 21. Currently Wrangell has no events listed on the schedule, last revised in September.

The full schedule pattern being proposed is available for review at the AMHS homepage at www.FerryAlaska.com, or throughdot.alaska.gov/amhs/share/schedule/considerations.pdf.

The department is accepting written comments and suggestions before October 24, either emailed to dot.amhs.comments@alaska.gov or faxed to 907-228-6874. A teleconference

to hear comments has been set for October 27 at 10 a.m. for Southeast schedules. For those wishing to attend in person, the meeting will be held in Ketchikan at the Alaska Marine Highway Central Office.

To participate in the teleconference call 1-800-315-6338, entering in the conference code 03902#.

The Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities oversees 249 airports, 11 ferries serving 35 communities, 5,619 miles of highway and 720 public facilities throughout the state of Alaska. The mission of the department is to Keep Alaska Moving through service and infrastructure.

City and Borough of Wrangell, Alaska

NOTICE INVITING BIDS

WRANGELL COURTHOUSE - CARPET REPLACEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the City and Borough of Wrangell, Alaska will receive sealed bids for the construction of the **WRANGELL COURTHOUSE - CARPET REPLACEMENT** project. WORK consists of all activities necessary to replace carpet flooring and associated flooring accessories in the Wrangell Courthouse spaces. The Owner's Estimate for all work is approximately \$25,000-\$30,000.

Sealed bids will be received by the City and Borough of Wrangell, Post Office Box 531, Wrangell, Alaska 99929, or located at the Borough Clerk's Office, 205 Brueger Street, Wrangell, Alaska 99929, until 10:00 AM prevailing time on October 20, 2016 and publicly opened and read in the Assembly Chambers at that time.

The Contract Documents are available in electronic format and can be downloaded from the City and Borough of Wrangell website (www.wrangell.com) under the Bids and RFP's section. Downloading Contract Documents from the City and Borough of Wrangell's website requires registration with the Borough Clerk in order to be placed on the Plan Holders List and to ensure receipt of subsequent Addenda. Failure to register may adversely affect your proposal. It is the Offeror's responsibility to ensure that they have received all Addenda affecting this Solicitation. To be registered, contact the Borough Clerk at 907-874-2381 or at clerk@wrangell.com

The OWNER reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, to waive any informality in a Bid, or to make award as it best serves the interests of the OWNER.

OWNER: The City and Borough of Wrangell
Jeff Jabusch, Borough Manager

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City & Borough of Wrangell, Alaska

REVISED - PUBLIC NOTICE - City Board and Committee Vacancies

Persons interested in serving on the following City Boards and Committees, please submit your **Letter of Interest** to the Office of the Borough Clerk, City & Borough of Wrangell, P.O. Box 531, Wrangell, AK 99929.

Deadline for Letters of Interest is **5:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 2, 2016**, for the following vacancies:

Planning & Zoning Commission	three - (three year terms)
Planning & Zoning Commission	one - (unexpired term until October 2017)
Parks & Recreation	one - (three year term)
Wrangell Convention & Visitors Bureau	two - (three year terms)
Economic Development Committee	two - (three year terms)
Economic Development Committee	one - (unexpired term until October 2017)

If you have any questions on the duties and responsibilities for each board and committee, please contact the Borough Clerk's Office at either calling 874-2381 or emailing clerk@wrangell.com or stop by City Hall at 205 Brueger Street.

Kim Lane, MMC, Borough Clerk
City & Borough of Wrangell, Alaska

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PUBLIC NOTICE

SSRAA Burnett Inlet Hatchery proposed new residence

The U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service (Forest Service) is initiating scoping to authorize Southern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association (SSRAA) to construct and maintain a new building on National Forest System lands at the already authorized Burnett Inlet Hatchery (BIH). The hatchery is located about 25 miles south-southwest of Wrangell, Alaska in Burnett Inlet on Etolin Island within the Tongass National Forest.

We request your comments by November 14, 2016. After scoping comments are received, an environmental assessment will be developed and available for a 30 day comment period.

If you have specific questions, please contact: David Rak, Lands, Special Uses, Minerals, Recreation, Wilderness Forester, Wrangell Ranger District, P.O. Box 51, Wrangell, AK 99929, (907)874-2323, drak@fs.fed.us or email comments to FS-comments-alaska-tongass-wrangell@fs.fed.us, Subject line: SSRAA BIH new residence.

This proposed project is subject to 36 CFR §218.7 parts (a) and (b). Instead of an appeal period, there will be an objection process before the final decision is made and after the final environmental analysis document and draft decision are mailed (reference 36 CFR 218). In order to be eligible to file an objection, specific written comments related to the project must be submitted during this scoping or any other public comment period that is specifically requested on this EA (218.5). Individual members of organizations must have submitted their own comments to meet the requirements of eligibility as an individual. Objections received on behalf of an organization are considered as those of the organization only. Names and addresses of those who comment and/or file objections will become part of the public record.

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City & Borough of Wrangell, Alaska

Public Notice

The Wrangell Port Commission will hold a public workshop at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, October 25th, 2016 at 6:00 PM in the Borough Assembly Chambers, regarding the following:

a. Use of the Marine Service Center by Tour Companies, Movie Companies, the Public and Others.

Written comments can also be received at City Hall no later than October 21, 2016, 5:00 PM to the attention of: Wrangell Port Commission, City of Wrangell, PO Box 531, Wrangell, AK 99929.

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Fish Factor

by Laine Welch

Fish on! The lure of reaching a statewide radio audience has once again attracted a full slate of political hopefuls to Kodiak for its popular fisheries debate.

On Wednesday, October 12, five candidates for U.S. Senate will travel to the nation's #2 fishing port to share their knowledge and ideas on a single topic: Alaska's seafood industry.

"It's a great service to Kodiak, to our fishing communities and to Alaska in general," said Trevor Brown, director of the Kodiak Chamber of Commerce, host of the event. "Fishing is the state's largest private sector employer. I think the candidates realize the importance of the fishing industry and that its viability is very important to Alaska."

Since 1990 the Kodiak debates have been an election year tradition for candidates vying both for Alaska governor and Congress, and have always gotten 100 percent participation.

Candidates facing off this go around include Republican Senator Lisa Murkowski, Joe Miller on the Libertarian ticket, Democrat Ray Metcalf and Margaret Stock and Breck Craig, both who are running as Independents.

Debate moderator is Alaska Senator Gary Stevens (R-Kodiak); panelists posing questions are Julie Matweyou of Alaska Sea Grant, Julie Bonney, director of the Alaska Groundfish Data Bank, and Jeff Stephen, director of the United Fishermen's Marketing Association.

Alaska's fisheries are an important part of any sitting U.S. Senator's oversight, as nearly 85 percent of the seafood poundage that crosses the Alaska docks comes from waters managed and funded by Congress and the federal government, meaning from three to 200 miles from shore.

The fisheries debate, set for October 12 from 7-9pm, at the Kodiak High School auditorium, will be broadcast and live streamed from host station KMXT/Kodiak and provided

statewide via the Alaska Public Radio Network. Tune in at www.kmxt.org/

Bad crab news – Bering Sea crabbers got the bad news they expected – low catch quotas and a canceled Tanner fishery for the 2016/17 season. State managers announced last week that the catch for Bristol Bay red king crab will be just shy of 8.5 million pounds, down 15 percent from last year.

For Bering Sea snow crab, the harvest limit was slashed nearly in half to 21.5 million pounds, the lowest catch in 45 years. Last year the total take was 40.6 million pounds, and it was nearly 68 million pounds the previous season.

An even bigger hit to the crab industry will come from the closure of the bairdi Tanner crab fishery, which had been growing steadily and produced 20 million pounds last season. Biologists said not enough female crabs were seen during summer surveys to reach a minimum threshold needed to open the fishery.

Crabbers believe the Tanners are still out there, but have relocated from the standard survey regions. The small blue king crab fishery at St. Matthew Island also was closed for the season.

"With the bairdi Tanner fishery closed and no opening at St. Matt's and with the cut backs - whatever problems are causing poor recruitment of snow crab are impacting other crab species as well," said market expert John Sackton. The Bering Sea crab fisheries open October 15.

No urchin searchin' - Divers could pull up millions of pounds of sea urchins from Alaska waters each October, but the fishery draws little interest. The urchins are valued for their uni, or roe, used widely in sushi rolls and Asian dishes.

Southeast Alaska allows for a three million pound red urchin take, down from seven million pounds in the 1990s when 150 divers would be on the grounds.

The actual harvest today is closer to 300,000 pounds taken by five to 10 divers, said Phil Doherty, director of the Southeast Alaska Regional Dive Fisheries Association in Ketchikan. It was quality problems, otters and a huge dump of Russian roe over the past decade pretty much did the local fishery in.

"There was a problem in extracting the roe and packaging it up and getting it over to the markets," Doherty explained. "It's a fresh product and by the time it arrived in Japan, they weren't real happy with the quality of the roe."

The softball sized red urchins pay between 35 to 55 cents at the docks. Green sea urchins found around Kodiak Island pay well over \$1 a pound, but no fishery has occurred there for 15 years.

Harvests peaked in 1988 at around 150,000 pounds taken by a dozen boats, then tapered off to just 27,000 pounds by the late 1990s, said Nat Nichols, area manager at Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Kodiak. He agrees that the bottom fell out of the Alaska uni market.

"It's a real high end market," Nichols said. "They're looking for not only live urchins with high quality roe, but also really pretty urchins with no broken spines and things like that. It was difficult and not profitable to try and move urchins out of Kodiak in October."

Meanwhile, the ISF Trading Company in Portland, Maine lists live, whole green sea urchins at \$4 a pound, and fresh uni at \$10 for quarter pound trays.

Fish futures – With a few exceptions, Alaska's 2016 salmon season was tough on both buyers and sellers. But having less fish available for market means wild salmon is moving well through sales channels at home and abroad, and plans are already underway for ramping up sales for next year, said Robin Samuelson, president of Ocean Beauty Seafoods which has operated in Alaska since 1910.

"Our freezers will be empty by spring and we will be processing and buying very aggressively throughout the state," Samuelson said, referring to the company's

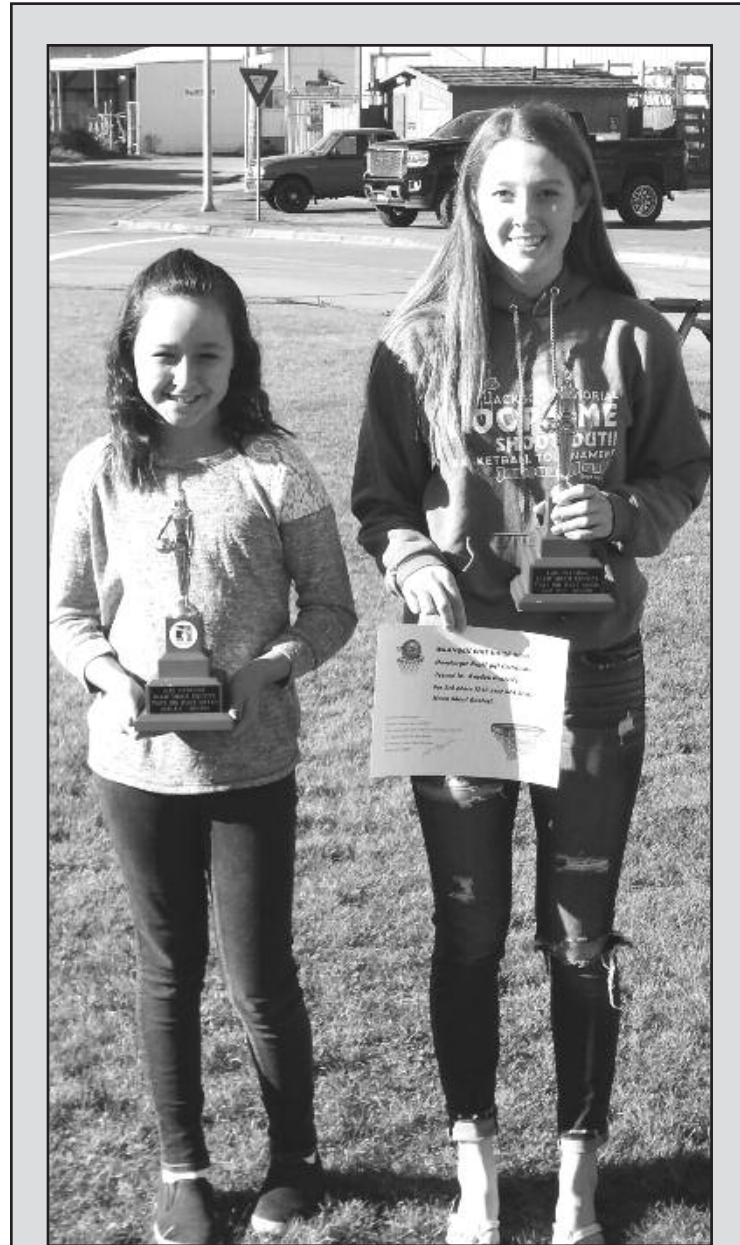


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Better late than never

Kayla Meissner and Kaylen Easterly receive trophies and certificates for their placement in the Alaska Elks Association Hoop Shoot held in December. For their age groups, the two girls had placed first among Wrangell children and third each in the state. The two were finally recognized for their achievement after delays in delivering the trophies.

six processing plants in Petersburg, Excursion Inlet near Juneau, Cordova, Kodiak and Bristol Bay.

That's contrary to recent rumors on the docks that Ocean Beauty is closing up shop, likely stemming from a big move being planned at its major office headquarters near Seattle.

"We are closing our Union Street facility in Ballard and moving north," Samuelson explained,

adding that it also houses a plant where value added processing is done. "We've outgrown that facility and are experiencing substantial growth, and we are looking for a larger building that can accommodate that."

"We are always looking for more opportunities," Samuelson said. "We know how much fishermen rely on us and we will be working with them for years to come."

CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA

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By the Borough Assembly

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REMINDER

The total due of your **2016 Property Taxes** are due on or before Monday October 17, 5:00 PM. To avoid owing penalties and interest please be sure to make your payment by Monday, October 17, 2016.

There is a drop box at City Hall for anyone who is having trouble finding time to make the payment between **office hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.** Payments put in the drop box **after 5:00 p.m.** on Monday October 17, 2016, will be delinquent.

We will also accept payments in the mail, but they **must** be postmarked no later than October 17, 2016.

Property tax payments must be made with either cash or checks. We **do not** accept credit card payments for property taxes.

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Moose total coming up on 100

By JESS FIELD
Sentinel writer

The end of the RM038 moose season is in sight, and as of noon Tuesday the total stood at 97 moose taken, including 11 illegal kills. The season total is on track to exceed 100 moose for the third year in a row, according to Rich Lowell, area wildlife biologist for Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G).

The number of moose illegal kills was low during the first half of the season, but they recently increased and now represent 11 percent of the total harvest. Nine of the 97 moose harvested to date failed to comply with the local antler restrictions, one moose was taken illegally with the aid of artificial light, and one large bull was shot and appears to have been abandoned afield, Lowell says.

The month-long season will wrap up on Saturday, Oct. 15 the same day deer opens for Lindenberg Peninsula, Mitkof Island, Butterworth Island and Woewodski Island.

Moose kills so far:

Kupreanof Island	43
Stikine River	14
Mitkof Island	11
Thomas Bay	10
Wrangell Island	7
Farragut Bay	5
Kuiu Island	5
Woewodski Island	1
Virginia Lake	1

TOTAL 97
(total includes 11 illegal moose)

Assembly initiates manager search, approves zoning update

By DAN RUDY
Sentinel writer

The City and Borough Assembly has begun the search process for a new city manager.

At the Assembly's previous meeting on September 27, current manager Jeff Jabusch announced his intention to retire, effective March 31, 2017. Working for the city since 1977, he has served in his present position since 2013.

Assembly members formally accepted his resignation during their Tuesday evening meeting. A hiring committee is to be formed and will undertake the task of advertising for the position and vetting candidates.

"We've done this two different ways, and we've done it with mixed success," commented Jabusch, advising the in-house approach. Another alternative would be to contract a "headhunting" firm to help locate candidates, a process which can be expensive and yield mixed results. It was decided Mayor David Jack will sit on the committee, along with Assembly members Julie Decker and Mark Mitchell. Once the field of candidates has been whittled down, the interview and selection process can involve the rest of the Assembly before a possible appointment is made.

"You're all invited to the retirement party," Jabusch told them, adding "The city's not paying for it."

"That's good, it's not in our budget," joked Assembly member Patty Gilbert. Sworn in earlier in the day after winning a write-in campaign, the meeting marked the first of her new term.

"I'm honored to serve on a progressive, proactive assembly," she commented before the meeting began. Gilbert also thanked the election workers and canvass board for their volunteer work during the election, going to the extra effort of tallying up write-in votes such as her own.

Gilbert hit the ground running, recommending a technical change to a draft ordinance amending the city's minor offense fine schedule related to alcohol and tobacco. Her recommendation helped clarify where the referenced offenses applied to minors under the ages of 21 and 19, respectively.

Assembly members also approved on second reading its draft ordinance updating sections of the zoning code to take licensed marijuana facilities into account. The recommended changes were the product of months of deliberation by the Planning and Zoning Commission and city staff, looking at existing code and state regulations

regarding the now legalized substance and deciding whether it fit.

Appearing as a measure on the statewide ballot during the 2014 elections, the legalized regulation of marijuana was approved by Alaska voters. During that vote, of 1,652 Wrangell residents eligible to participate some 740 turned out; of these, 424 had voted in favor of it, with 316 against, just over 57 percent.

In the updated code, the obtainable licenses for commercial retail, cultivation, testing and processing of marijuana would be restricted from single or multiple family residential zones, with certain further limitations placed on cultivation and processing. All such applications for city permits would be subject to conditional use, bringing proposals before P&Z in a public hearing format.

A public hearing devoted to the zoning proposal preceded Tuesday's meeting, but three members of the public in attendance were in favor of its passing. One, Kelsey Martinsen, will be applying to the state for three licenses in order to grow, sell and process cannabis in a new shop located behind his restaurant. Since March his applications have been on hold, pending final decision by the Assembly.

"I'm excited. Now I've got a bunch of paperwork to turn in," he commented afterward.

In other business, Assembly members approved a change order in the amount of \$33,587.30 for asphalt paving projects undertaken by Colaska Inc. The work was in addition to the company's existing project contract, extra projects which were convenient to do while equipment was mobilized. Most of the funds will be reimbursed by Alaska Housing Finance Corporation, with just over \$5,000 to come from the city's water, sewer and street funds.

A sole source procurement of \$33,737 from Alaska Pump & Supply was also approved, part of the wider sewer pump replacement project being undertaken. The money would go to purchase specialty spares for two sewer pump units.

Due to the absence of several members, the Assembly will cancel its meeting scheduled for October 25, and has approved the rescheduling of its November 22 meeting a week later, to the 29th.

At the meeting's end, Assembly members broke into executive session to discuss ongoing negotiations with its public employees union over a new collective bargaining agreement.

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terms on leases at the boatyard. Currently contractors renew their leases on a five-year basis, but some at the yard have come forward with requests for 15- or even 25-year leases. Discussing the item in February, commissioners acknowledged allowing for a longer lease could help incentivize businesses to invest more into their operations and facilities. But it was noted one of the benefits of the shorter-term leases was that it allowed the city a measure of control over how the lots were being used.

With the next round of leases not due to expire for two or more years, commissioners decided the issue could be taken up later in November or December. Hammer explained there were factors to consider that could make implementation of longer termed leases more complicated, but that they owed it to the interested contractors to find an acceptable resolution.

"It's time to get back at it," he said.

In other Port Commission business, members thanked colleague David Silva for his service. He opted not to run for reelection this year, with his seat expiring with this month's elections.

"Dave Silva did a good job, had a lot of good opinions," Martin commented. "It's been a real pleasure."

Commissioners also recommended that the Assembly approve a consent to assignment of a leased lot in the boatyard. J&R Fiberglass Repair owner Josh Young wants to sell his business to CTT Marine owner Steve Christensen (see article on new business). Young

acquired fast food restaurant J&W's at the beginning of the year and would like to focus more on that business.

"We've got a written agreement and a contract," he told the commission.

Yeager asked whether Christensen was familiar with the terms of the lease and the

property, a 3,600 square foot lot, as well as drainage issues the site had been experiencing. Young had approached the commission last year with a request to share costs for rerouting water passing through his shop area. The acquisition of the lot had been as-is, and that proposal not taken up.

"I really would hate to revisit that," Yeager said. Christensen replied that he was aware of that. Commissioners approved the request, which went to the Assembly for its Tuesday meeting.

In his monthly report, Meissner also reported that replacement of the Shoemaker

Bay Harbor facilities was named a number-one priority for state Department of Transportation grant funding for next year. The city is seeking a \$5,000,000 match for the \$10.7 million project, but a lack of funds in the program for this year meant the project was passed over.

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