# CITY OF SAND POINT COUNCIL MEETING



Tuesday, March 14, 2023 Workshop : 2:00 pm Meeting: 7:00 pm

# CALL TO ORDER

# ROLL CALL

# APPROVAL OF AGENDA

# **CITY OF SAND POINT**

(Packet will be available on website March 10, 2023) <u>www.sandpointak.com</u>)



MAYOR Mayor James Smith - Office Exp. 2023

#### **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Seat A - Exp. 2025
Seat B - Exp. 2023
Seat C - Exp. 2025
Seat D - Exp. 2023
Seat E - Exp. 2024
Seat F - Exp. 2024

### SAND POINT CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA CITY CHAMBERS

### **Regular Meeting**

March 14, 2023 7:00 pm

There will be a workshop at 2:00 pm.

CALL TO ORDER ROLL CALL APPROVAL OF AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

#### CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Minutes:

Minutes of Regular Meeting February 14, 2023

#### **REPORTS:**

- 1. Finance Officer
- 2. Administrator
- 3. Police Chief
- 4. EMS Director
- 5. Fire Chief
- 6. Public Works Director
- 7. Water / Sewer Supervisor
- 8. Harbor Master

### HEARINGS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

- 1. Resolution 23-05: A Resolution of the City of Sand Point Supporting Participation In the Denali Commission Grant Funding Opportunity
- 2. Resolution 23-06: A Resolution of the City of Sand Point Establishing the Capital Improvement Project List

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. GCI Building Permit Application

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1. Donation Request: Sand Point NYO
- 2. Donation Request: Janice Shuravloff Memorial Easter Egg Hunt
- 3. Harbor Lot Lease

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS COUNCIL COMMENTS ADJOURNMENT

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# CONSENT AGENDA

### CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Sand Point City Council was held Tuesday, February 14, 2023 in the City Chambers and telephonically. Mayor James Smith called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Mayor	Present
Seat A	Present
Seat B	Present – Telephonically
Seat C	Present
Seat D	Present – Telephonically
Seat E	Present
Seat F	Present
	Seat A Seat B Seat C Seat D Seat E

A quorum was established.

#### Staff in attendance:

Jordan Keeler, Administrator Kurtis Gundersen, Finance Officer – Telephonically Jade Gundersen, City Clerk Dave Anderson, Police Chief Julius Karlsen, Public Works Director Dylan Jacobsen, Water & Sewer Supervisor Allen Kuchenoff Jr., Harbormaster

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Mayor James Smith requested a motion to approve the agenda.MOTION:Council Member Amy Eubank made a motion to approve the agenda with the amendment of<br/>moving New Business items 1 and 2 to follow the Consent Agenda.SECOND:Council Member Austin Roof seconded the motion.VOTE:Motion passed unanimously.

### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

#### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

MOTION:	Council Member Marita Gundersen made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes
	of January 6, 2023.
SECOND:	Council Member Amy Eubank seconded the motion.
VOTE:	Motion passed unanimously.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Donation Request: Seniors

Austin Roof spoke on behalf of the senior class regarding their trip to Seattle, Washington from April 7-17, 2023.

MOTION:	Council Member Amy Eubank made a motion to donate \$1000 to the Sand Point Senior Class.
SECOND:	Council Member Marita Gundersen seconded the motion.
VOTE:	Motion passed unanimously.

### 2. Donation Request: Close-Up

Close-Up Advisor Steven Schwing spoke on behalf of the Close-Up class regarding their donation request to go to Washington D.C and New York in April.

MOTION: Council Member Austin Roof made a motion to donate \$5000 to the Sand Point Close-Up group. SECOND: Council Member Arlene Gundersen seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

At the pleasure of the council, guests in the audience in town for the Superintendent Search introduced themselves. This included the two candidates, Helen Cheek and Michael Franklin, and Joann Henderson from the Alaska Association of School Boards.

### **REPORTS:**

### Finance Officer - Kurtis Gundersen

Finance Officer Kurtis Gundersen's report was included in the packet. He reported that \$2,762.41 was received in December for Raw Fish Tax, and \$79,385.83 was received in Sales Tax.

Council Member Arlene Gundersen asked for a clarification of the amount of Raw Fish Tax reported because it did not match the Revenue report. The Raw Fish Tax totaled \$177,568.80 and the Revenue Guideline showed \$247,585.19. Finance Officer Kurtis Gundersen stated that he believed that the Revenue Guideline included January's amount, which isn't included on the Raw Fish Tax report.

### Administrator – Jordan Keeler

Administrator Jordan Keeler's read his report included in the packet. He added that he finished the preliminary draft for the harbor bridge grant application and foot bridge and have sent them off to the AML grant writers and submitted written testimony on behalf of the City of Sand Point to the Board of Fish for the upcoming meeting that he will be attending. He has been in contact with the lobbyist in Juneau to see if there are any updates that may have an impact on the City, send him the CAPSIS application for the incinerator and the CTP and STP grant applications. Senator Murkowski's office is now accepting earmark applications, due March 10, and he will check on the requirements and apply for a grader and a rear-loading trash truck. He worked with department heads to identify phone lines that are no longer needed.

#### Police Chief – David Anderson

Police Chief David Anderson's read his and Officer Lowery's reports included in the packet. He added that they have been working with the Dewberry Company's Geospatial, Mapping, and Surveying Services out of Anchorage on the 911 Addressing System and it is coming along.

EMS Director-Logan Thompson

EMS Director Logan Thompson's report was included in the packet.

<u>Fire Chief-Robert Gadotti</u> Fire Chief Robert Gadotti's report was included in the packet.

<u>Public Works Director – Julius Karlsen</u> Public Works Director Julius Karlsen read his report included in the packet.

<u>Water & Sewer Supervisor – Dylan Jacobsen</u> Water Sewer Supervisor Dylan Jacobsen read his report included in the packet. Harbor Master – Allen Kuchenoff Jr.

Harbor Master Allen Kuchenoff Jr. read his report incuded in the packet.

#### HEARINGS, ORDINANCES, AND RESOLUTIONS:

1. Ordinance 2023-01: FY23 Budget Amendment—2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

Administrator Jordan Keeler explained the proposed budget amendments.

MOTION: Council Member Marita Gundersen made a motion to put Ordinance 2023-01: FY 23 Budget Amendment on the floor for second reading.

SECOND: Council Member Arlene Gundersen seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION: None

MOTION: Council Member Austin Roof made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-01: FY 23 Budget Amendment.

SECOND: Council Member Arlene Gundersen seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

2. Resolution 23-02: Participation in the Alaska Community Transportation Program Administrator Jordan Keeler explained the program and expressed that this resolution is for the vehicle bridge. MOTION: Council Member Arlene Gundersen made a motion to adopt Resolution 23-02: Participation in the Alaska Community Transportation Program.

SECOND: Council Member Amy Eubank seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

3. Resolution 23-03: Participation in the Alaska Transportation Alternative Program Administrator Jordan Keeler explained the program and expressed that this resolution is for the foot bridge. MOTION: Council Member Austin Roof made a motion to adopt Resolution 23-03: Participation in the Alaska Transportation Alternative Program.

SECOND: Council Member Amy Eubank seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

4. Resolution 23-04: Supporting Current South Alaska Peninsula Management Plan and Opposing Certain Proposal Before the Board of Fish

MOTION: Council Member Austin Roof made a motion to adopt Resolution 23-04: Supporting Current South Alaska Pacific Salmon Management Plan and Opposing Certain Proposals Before the Board of Fish SECOND: Council Member Amy Eubank seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

### **OLD BUSINESS:** None

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

3. Harbor Electricity Plus PCE

Administrator Jordan Keeler explained the changes in PCE from TDX due to the most recent reduction in the City of Sand Point's census population estimate change and that the City has had to back bill to the harbor users because TDX made corrections to their bills months later. To get the population estimate amended, it would require a door-to-door census and a passed resolution contesting the count. He also recommends reviewing the harbor billing methods.

4. FY24 Aleutians East Borough Community Budget Request

The council gave direction to Administration to submit a budget request from the City of Sand Point for \$100,000 to use as a match for a new incinerator, and if other funding is received for that, to use as matching funds for the CTP and STP grants.

### 5. GCI Building Permit Application

This item was tabled until the next meeting for Administration to get more information on GCI's clean up plans and make sure there is a clear understanding of both the City and GCI's roles and responsibilities of the project.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Council Member Amy Eubank asked that the Budget Workshop on March 13, 2023 start at 4:00 pm.

Council Member Austin Roof thanked Jordan for bringing all the infrastructure grants to the meeting and appreciates the work he put into it.

Council Member Amy Eubank thanked City Clerk Jade Gundersen for coming in on Saturday after getting off the plane to get her job done.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

MOTION: Council Member Austin Roof made a motion to adjourn. SECOND: Council Member Marita Gundersen seconded the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 8:46 pm.

ATTEST:

James Smith Sr., Mayor

Jade Gundersen, City Clerk

# REPORTS

# FINANCE OFFICER

# City of Sand Point Raw Fish Tax Revenue

	<u>FY18</u>	FY19	<u>FY20</u>	<u>FY21</u>	<u>FY22</u>	FY23
July	142,500.10	83,040.24	81,992.40	51,221.78	113,532.23	75,441.44
August	139,542.35	48,290.30	88,100.71	27,115.98	138,608.76	28,751.91
September	37,427.07	49,496.61	65,893.27	24,635.83	50,718.35	32,212.43
October	32,201.69	46,261.99	51,476.42	18,438.92	54,051.75	38,400.61
November	10,083.69	4,963.48	3,495.99	1,111.79	1,794.82	-
December	515.28	74.67			480.71	2,762.41
January	3,836.52	12,558.77		2,616.57	19,887.44	19,465.94
February	27,529.30	24,948.95		37,744.95	0.38	
March	45,022.21	82,916.26	13,306.96	38,681.59	524.88	
April	58,469.24	13,561.22	13,500.37	30,237.38	51,631.27	
May	24,240.36	8,025.95	8,261.04	15,943.63	23,111.00	
June	58,431.26	89,711.60	16,659.69	121,562.18	72,778.80	
Total	579,799.07	463,850.04	342,686.85	369,310.60	527,120.39	197,034.74

### Sales Tax Revenue

	<u>FY18</u>	FY19	<u>FY20</u>	FY21	<u>FY22</u>	<u>FY23</u>
July	79,691.25	92,628.52	88,102.92	61,022.60	70,786.04	89,695.85
August	77,015.98	65,979.46	102,628.84	62,489.92	74,541.89	95,714.41
September	66,935.45	71,697.10	86,603.67	65,441.59	102,222.37	73,512.92
October	34,186.58	58,219.29	75,277.68	50,576.22	71,318.24	106,675.97
November	49,870.42	46,835.09	42,723.86	35,912.73	51,328.38	36,554.18
December	31,235.26	39,642.29	50,112.63	44,715.17	83,784.18	79,385.83
January	39,387.33	44,528.74	34,118.45	39,231.36	47,846.93	59,987.67
February	45,302.69	41,619.24	35,316.83	49,311.31	50,102.23	
March	81,890.02	75,803.84	48,712.31	67,978.55	65,376.73	
April	45,633.53	49,639.45	33,711.29	47,933.84	45,696.71	
May	46,470.55	61,719.51	47,729.27	47,260.30	52,776.83	
June	81,316.23	93,332.26	71,991.16	82,115.58	102,952.69	
Total	678,935.29	741,644.79	717,028.91	653,989.17	818,733.22	541,526.83

# Bank Balance <mark>Date</mark>

	Balance		
	Date		
Bank	End of January	3/9/2023	
Key Bank	3,082,506.32	3,103,773.34	
Wells Fargo - General	862,678.05	896,850.25	
Wells Fargo - Bingo Fund	144,479.74	152,814.76	
Wells Fargo - Silver Salmon Fund	32,358.69	26,358.69	
Wells Fargo - PD Federal Forfeiture	593.67	593.67	
Wells Fargo - PD State Forfeiture	6,666.61	6,666.61	
Charles Schwab	614,957.02	594,128.04	

# CITY OF SAND POINT \*Fund Summary -Budget to Actual©

### JANUARY 22-23

	22-23	JANUARY	22-23	22-23	<mark>22-23</mark> % YTD
	YTD Budget	MTD Amount	YTD Amount	YTD Balance	Budget
FUND 01 GENERAL FUND					
Revenue	\$1,685,322.00	\$153,786.96	\$1,576,230.09	\$109,091.91	93.53%
Expenditure	\$2,706,364.41	\$340,357.31	\$1,640,292.78	\$1,066,071.63	60.61%
		-\$186,570.35	-\$64,062.69		
FUND 02 BINGO FUND					
Revenue	\$390,000.00	\$9,495.00	\$200,350.00	\$189,650.00	51.37%
Expenditure	\$388,688.00	\$10,451.19	\$195,527.42	\$193,160.58	50.30%
		-\$956.19	\$4,822.58		
FUND 03 SILVER SALMON	IDERBY				
Revenue	\$40,075.00	\$0.00	\$58,840.93	-\$18,765.93	146.83%
Expenditure	\$27,274.00	\$9,183.50	\$31,314.12	-\$4,040.12	114.81%
		-\$9,183.50	\$27,526.81		
FUND 09 ARPA LOCAL GO	OVT LOST REV				
Revenue	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$128,766.13	-\$128,766.13	0.00%
		\$0.00	\$128,766.13		
FUND 10 CLINIC OPERATI	ONS/MAINTENANCE				
Revenue	\$307,410.00	\$0.00	\$57,364.00	\$250,046.00	18.66%
Expenditure	\$62,412.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$62,412.00	0.00%
		\$0.00	\$57,364.00		
FUND 61 WATER/SEWER	OPERATIONS				
Revenue	\$261,450.00	\$23,796.72	\$130,069.19	\$131,380.81	49.75%
Expenditure	\$250,500.00	\$17,175.86	\$98,734.36	\$151,765.64	39.41%
		\$6,620.86	\$31,334.83		
FUND 62 HARBOR/PORT (	OPERATIONS				
Revenue	\$770,268.00	\$67,074.94	\$496,893.04	\$273,374.96	64.51%
Expenditure	\$410,100.00	\$54,507.95	\$396,313.86	\$13,786.14	96.64%
		\$12,566.99	\$100,579.18		
FUND 63 SOA DOCK					
Revenue	\$35,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$35,000.00	0.00%
Expenditure	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
		\$0.00	\$0.00		
FUND 65 REFUSE COLLEC	CTION				
Revenue	\$147,000.00	\$16,672.35	\$98,228.17	\$48,771.83	66.82%
Expenditure	\$143,150.00	\$10,035.85	\$51,581.75	\$91,568.25	36.03%
		\$6,636.50	\$46,646.42		
Report Total		-\$170,885.69	\$332,977.26		

# CITY OF SAND POINT \*Expenditure Guideline-No Enc Sum©

	22-23	22-23	JANUARY	22-23	% of
	YTD Budget	YTD Amt	MTD Amt	YTD Balance	YTD
GENERAL FUND					
LEGISLATIVE	\$100,100.00	\$52,431.59	\$8,407.20	\$47,668.41	52.38%
ADMINISTRATION	\$1,057,102.41	\$625,242.40	\$150,518.83	\$431,860.01	59.15%
PARKS AND RECREATION	\$13,000.00	\$17,175.87	\$2,982.36	-\$4,175.87	132.12%
PUBLIC SAFETY	\$778,214.00	\$483,133.75	\$78,950.26	\$295,080.25	62.08%
PUBLIC WORKS	\$476,625.00	\$287,834.78	\$72,649.78	\$188,790.22	60.39%
FACILITIES	\$281,323.00	\$174,474.39	\$26,848.88	\$106,848.61	62.02%
Total GENERAL FUND	\$2,706,364.41	\$1,640,292.78	\$340,357.31	\$1,066,071.63	60.61%
BINGO FUND					
ADMINISTRATION	\$388,688.00	\$195,527.42	\$10,451.19	\$193,160.58	50.30%
Total BINGO FUND	\$388,688.00	\$195,527.42	\$10,451.19	\$193,160.58	50.30%
SILVER SALMON DERBY					
FIRE	\$27,274.00	\$31,314.12	\$9,183.50	-\$4,040.12	114.81%
Total SILVER SALMON DERBY	\$27,274.00	\$31,314.12	\$9,183.50	-\$4,040.12	114.81%
CLINIC OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE					
ADMINISTRATION	\$62,412.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$62,412.00	0.00%
Total CLINIC OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE	\$62,412.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$62,412.00	0.00%
ROCK CRUSHER ENTERPRISE FUND					
PUBLIC WORKS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Total ROCK CRUSHER ENTERPRISE FUND	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
WATER/SEWER OPERATIONS					
WATER/SEWER	\$250,500.00	\$98,734.36	\$17,175.86	\$151,765.64	39.41%
Total WATER/SEWER OPERATIONS	\$250,500.00	\$98,734.36	\$17,175.86	\$151,765.64	39.41%
HARBOR/PORT OPERATIONS					
HARBOR	\$410,100.00	\$396,313.86	\$54,507.95	\$13,786.14	96.64%
Total HARBOR/PORT OPERATIONS	\$410,100.00	\$396,313.86	\$54,507.95	\$13,786.14	96.64%
SOA DOCK					
HARBOR	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Total SOA DOCK	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
REFUSE COLLECTION					
PUBLIC WORKS	\$143,150.00	\$51,581.75	\$10,035.85	\$91,568.25	36.03%
Total REFUSE COLLECTION	\$143,150.00	\$51,581.75	\$10,035.85	\$91,568.25	36.03%
Report Total	\$3,988,488.41	\$2,413,764.29	\$441,711.66	\$1,574,724.12	60.52%

# CITY OF SAND POINT \*Revenue Guideline-Alt Code©

		22-23 YTD Budget	22-23 YTD Amt	JANUARY MTD Amt	22-23 YTD Balance	% of YTD
GENERAL F	UND					
Active	R 01-002 GENERAL FUND/WELLS F	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 01-200 CAPITAL GAIN / LOSS	\$0.00	\$21,476.18	\$30,940.40	-\$21,476.18	0.00%
Active	R 01-201 INTEREST INCOME	\$8,000.00	\$50,307.72	\$10,632.91	-\$42,307.72	628.85%
Active	R 01-202 FINES AND PENALTIES	\$1,500.00	\$399.77	\$38.28	\$1,100.23	26.65%
Active	R 01-203 OTHER REVENUE	\$2,500.00	\$4,555.00	\$0.00	-\$2,055.00	182.20%
Active	R 01-205 4% SALES TAX	\$650,000.00	\$588,766.74	\$81,683.59	\$61,233.26	90.58%
Active	R 01-208 CARES INTEREST	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 01-213 RAW FISH TAX	\$500,000.00	\$248,603.41	\$1,018.22	\$251,396.59	49.72%
Active	R 01-214 FINE-LATE SALES TAX	\$250.00	\$4,670.97	\$4,110.64	-\$4,420.97	1868.39%
Active	R 01-217 7% B & B Tax	\$7,500.00	\$8,482.68	\$1,307.07	-\$982.68	113.10%
Active	R 01-225 PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAX	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 01-230 DONATIONS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 01-232 FIRE MISC REVENUE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 01-233 BUSINESS LIC. FEE	\$2,000.00	\$725.00	\$175.00	\$1,275.00	36.25%
Active	R 01-234 SB 46 PERS RELIEF	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 01-238 ANCHORAGE OFFICE	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	100.00%
Active	R 01-250 STATE REVENUE SHARIN	\$73,072.00	\$90,340.43	\$0.00	-\$17,268.43	123.63%
Active	R 01-256 REVENUESTATE OF ALA	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 01-257 REVENUEFEDERAL GOV	\$0.00	\$1,139.84	\$1,139.84	-\$1,139.84	0.00%
Active	R 01-258 REVENUEALEUTIANS EA	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 01-260 STATE LIQUOR SHARE TA	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	0.00%
Active	R 01-265 SOA DOCCED SHARED FI	\$35,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$35,000.00	0.00%
Active	R 01-266 SOA DOR FISH BUS SHAR	\$158,000.00	\$166,418.26	\$0.00	-\$8,418.26	105.33%
Active	R 01-285 EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$35,000.00	\$7,038.83	\$891.15	\$27,961.17	20.11%
Active	R 01-290 AK HIDTA PROGRAM	\$15,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15,000.00	0.00%
Active	R 01-291 BUILDING RENTALS	\$110,000.00	\$88,177.18	\$17,971.78	\$21,822.82	80.16%
Active	R 01-293 LIBRARY GRANT	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 01-296 PD FORFEITURES	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 01-297 POLICE MISC REVENUE	\$0.00	\$191,128.08	\$878.08	-\$191,128.08	0.00%
Active	R 01-298 EMS MISC REVENUE	\$45,000.00	\$64,000.00	\$3,000.00	-\$19,000.00	142.22%
	Total	\$1,685,322.00	\$1,576,230.09	\$153,786.96	\$109,091.91	93.53%
	Total GENERAL FUND	\$1,685,322.00	\$1,576,230.09	\$153,786.96	\$109,091.91	93.53%
BINGO FUN	D					
Active	R 02-294 BINGO REVENUE	\$15,000.00	\$11,710.00	\$944.00	\$3,290.00	78.07%
Active	R 02-295 PULL TAB REVENUE	\$375,000.00	\$188,640.00	\$8,551.00	\$186,360.00	50.30%
	Total	\$390,000.00	\$200,350.00	\$9,495.00	\$189,650.00	51.37%
	Total BINGO FUND	\$390,000.00	\$200,350.00	\$9,495.00	\$189,650.00	51.37%
SILVER SAL	MON DERBY					
Active	R 03-230 DONATIONS	\$0.00	\$4,150.00	\$0.00	-\$4,150.00	0.00%
Active	R 03-292 SILVER SALMON DERBY	\$40,075.00	\$54,690.93	\$0.00	-\$14,615.93	136.47%
	Total	\$40,075.00	\$58,840.93	\$0.00	-\$18,765.93	146.83%
ARPA LOCA	Total SILVER SALMON DERBY	\$40,075.00	\$58,840.93	\$0.00	-\$18,765.93	146.83%
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Active	R 09-130 DEFERRED REVENUE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 09-256 REVENUE-STATE OF ALA	\$0.00	\$128,766.13	\$0.00	-\$128,766.13	0.00%
Active	R 09-257 REVENUEFEDERAL GOV	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%

# CITY OF SAND POINT \*Revenue Guideline-Alt Code©

		22-23 YTD Budget	22-23 YTD Amt	JANUARY MTD Amt	22-23 YTD Balance	% of YTD
	Total	\$0.00	\$128,766.13	\$0.00	-\$128,766.13	0.00%
Tot	al ARPA LOCAL GOVT LOST REV	\$0.00	\$128,766.13	\$0.00	-\$128,766.13	0.00%
CLINIC OPE	RATIONS/MAINTENANCE					
Active	R 10-257 REVENUEFEDERAL GOV	\$307,410.00	\$57,364.00	\$0.00	\$250,046.00	18.66%
Active	R 10-291 BUILDING RENTALS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
	Total	\$307,410.00	\$57,364.00	\$0.00	\$250,046.00	18.66%
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Active	R 61-202 FINES AND PENALTIES	\$1,000.00	\$964.54	\$54.93	\$35.46	96.45%
Active	R 61-203 OTHER REVENUE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 61-206 WATER/SEWER REVENU	\$225,000.00	\$129,077.08	\$23,741.79	\$95,922.92	57.37%
Active	R 61-234 SB 46 PERS RELIEF	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 61-235 TRANSFER IN	\$35,450.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$35,450.00	0.00%
Active	R 61-270 ON BEHALF REVENUE PE	\$0.00	\$27.57	\$0.00	-\$27.57	0.00%
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	tal WATER/SEWER OPERATIONS	\$261,450.00	\$130,069.19	\$23,796.72	\$131,380.81	49.75%
HARBOR/PC	ORT OPERATIONS					
Active	R 62-201 INTEREST INCOME	\$5,500.00	\$6,312.19	\$514.27	-\$812.19	114.77%
Active	R 62-203 OTHER REVENUE	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	0.00%
Active	R 62-210 HARBOR/MOORAGE	\$315,000.00	\$252,745.07	\$17,500.75	\$62,254.93	80.24%
Active	R 62-211 HARBOR/TRAVELLIFT	\$150,000.00	\$71,638.75	\$9,583.68	\$78,361.25	47.76%
Active	R 62-212 BOAT HARBOR/RENTS	\$138,268.00	\$56,814.20	\$5,177.04	\$81,453.80	41.09%
Active	R 62-215 HARBOR/WHARFAGE	\$45,000.00	\$28,710.09	\$18,878.67	\$16,289.91	63.80%
Active	R 62-219 HARBOR ELEC SERVICE	\$10,000.00	\$4,174.61	\$672.89	\$5,825.39	41.75%
Active	R 62-220 HARBOR/ELEC DEPOSIT	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	0.00%
Active	R 62-221 HARBOR/VAN STORAGE	\$20,000.00	\$16,926.17	\$4,098.02	\$3,073.83	84.63%
Active	R 62-222 HARBOR/STALL ELECTRI	\$40,000.00	\$23,567.28	\$3,026.97	\$16,432.72	58.92%
Active	R 62-223 HARBOR/ELECTRICITY	\$4,000.00	\$1,923.44	\$43.18	\$2,076.56	48.09%
Active	R 62-224 GEARSHED LOCKER REN	\$15,000.00	\$6,840.23	\$6,240.23	\$8,159.77	45.60%
Active	R 62-234 SB 46 PERS RELIEF	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 62-237 HARBOR STORAGE	\$2,000.00	\$2,293.17	\$0.00	-\$293.17	114.66%
Active	R 62-270 ON BEHALF REVENUE PE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 62-285 EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$20,000.00	\$24,947.84	\$1,339.24	-\$4,947.84	124.74%
Active	R 62-299 GAIN/LOSS DISPOSITION	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
	- Total	\$770,268.00	\$496,893.04	\$67,074.94	\$273,374.96	64.51%
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Active	R 63-245 CONTRIBUTIONS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
	Total	\$35,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$35,000.00	0.00%
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Active	R 65-202 FINES AND PENALTIES	\$1,000.00	\$611.56	\$28.08	\$388.44	61.16%
Active	R 65-204 REFUSE COLLECTION	\$146,000.00	\$97,616.61	\$16,644.27	\$48,383.39	66.86%
Active	R 65-234 SB 46 PERS RELIEF	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Active	R 65-235 TRANSFER IN	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%

# CITY OF SAND POINT \*Revenue Guideline-Alt Code©

		22-23	22-23	JANUARY	22-23	% of
		YTD Budget	YTD Amt	MTD Amt	YTD Balance	YTD
Active	R 65-270 ON BEHALF REVENUE PE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
	Total	\$147,000.00	\$98,228.17	\$16,672.35	\$48,771.83	66.82%
	Total REFUSE COLLECTION	\$147,000.00	\$98,228.17	\$16,672.35	\$48,771.83	66.82%
	Report Total	\$3,636,525.00	\$2,746,741.55	\$270,825.97	\$889,783.45	75.53%

# ADMINISTRATOR

TO: Mayor Smith City Council Members

- FROM: Jordan Keeler City Administrator
- **DATE:** March 9, 2023
- **SUBJ:** Monthly Report for March 2023

Here is a summary of items since our last meeting:

- Attended several days of the Board of Fish meetings. I gave oral testimony on behalf of the City and the impact on municipal finances and obligations that would be hard to meet if Proposal 140 was passed.
- Received the AML contracted grant writer's feedback on the CTP/TAP and made the changes they suggested. I then sent to our regional DOT+PF planner for her feedback, which was rather positive and added a few items at her suggestion. Both applications were submitted a few days before the deadline of February 28.
- Submitted the CAPSIS application to the State for funding for a new incinerator. There hasn't been much movement on a capital budget as of yet and we won't know until the State's budget is passed before July 1.
- Spoke with a grant representative at the Denali Commission about their funding notice for projects. I then began work on the DC grant, much of which I was able to crib from the CDBG application as the criteria and information requests are fairly similar. I will have this over to the AML grant review team for their review and then submit by April 14 deadline.
- Attended SWAMC and acted as Sand Point's representative for the business meeting. I did see Brian Whilden and he mentioned that they were very close to Aleutian Airways starting service. The announcement was made this week that they would start service May 1 to Sand Point on the ANC-SDP-CDB-ANC triangle route.
- Spoke with public works in Unalaska on their experience with the AU Fiber Project and then followed up further with GCI to get more detail. The results of the conversations are summed up in the memo on their development permit.
- Filled out the general liability forms for the City for FY 24. Previous emails from AML/JIA indicate that our premiums will go up to 15-20%, but we won't have the quote until sometime in May. It may be worth exploring allocating insurance costs across each department so that the general fund isn't eating the costs incurred by non-GF activities like the harbor.



# POLICE CHIEF



# SAND POINT POLICE DEPARTMENT

Post Office Box 423 Sand Point, Alaska 99661



# MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Jim Smith, Mayor, City of Sand Point Mr. Jordan Keeler, City Administrator, City of Sand Point Mr. Austin Roof, City Councilperson, City of Sand Point Mr. Allan Starnes, City Councilperson, City of Sand Point Ms. Amy Eubank, City Councilperson, City of Sand Point Mr. Jack Foster Jr, City Councilperson, City of Sand Point Ms. Marita Gundersen, City Councilperson, City of Sand Point Ms. Arlene Gundersen, City Councilperson, City of Sand Point

From: Chief Jeff Thompson

Date: March 9, 2023

Ref: Police Department's Monthly Report for February

# Police Department

- Jeff Thompson, Chief of Police
- John Young, Police Officer
- Benjamin Allen, Police Officer
- Richard Lowery, Investigator Anchorage Airport Interdiction Team.

# Administrative Assistant

Cathy Adams

# Dispatchers

- Alfred 'Jesse' Pesterkoff, 911 Dispatcher
- Heidi Vondoloski, 911 Dispatcher

# **Police Activity**

February 2023

1 person was jailed 1 DUI

## 26 calls to 911

5 misdial/pocket dial 10 MOC request 5 EMS 5 Ambulance needed 5 Medivac 1 Noise complaint 4 Agency assist 1 Trespass 1 Disturbance 6 911 hang ups 4 Welfare checks

# Activity/Calls for service not on 911 line

- 1 Documents served
- 1 Disturbance
- 4 Welfare checks
- 1 Civil issue
- 1 Security check
- 1 Suspicious circumstance
- 1 Trespass
- 4 Agency assists

# EMS DIRECTOR

# FIRE CHIEF

# PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

# City of Sand Point Public Works Department

# Monthly Report February 2023

- Grade roads
- Snowed most of the month
- Plowed and sanded Roads
- Replaced plow blade edges on sand truck
- Housekeeping at shop
- Salted intersections and hills
- Fueled City Buildings
- Serviced DPS Chevy Tahoe
- Found alternator was bad on landfill vehicle, ordered new one
- Fixed shop garage door
- Cleaned shop heaters and pumped oil
- Worked on tire chains
- Worked on quotes for tires and generator
- Filled water tank at shop
- PortoPotty to Peter Pan, well pump was down
- Repaired and re-installed stop sign that was run over

# Water/Sewer City Council Report

# February 2023

# **Dylan Jacobsen**

- Monthly reports and water samples done.
- Was out of town 19<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> for the Board of Fish meetings. Brandon covered for me at the water plant.
- Our RMW Matthew Russell flew in with me on the 27<sup>th</sup> for a site visit. He was here for a few days.
- Set up a porta potty down at Peter Pan when they were having issues with their well.
- We had a weather event with some rain/snow melt that resulted in the water plant being shut off for a night.
- Had some issues with air in the chlorine line a couple times.
- TDX had a scheduled 4 AM power outage when I was gone. Brandon was at the plant to make sure everything came back online.
- Discussed the new lead service line location deadlines and requirements with DEC. Will continue communication with them.
- Researched some locating tools that could help during GCI's time here, the Lead service line project and other future uses.
- Backwashed/routine maintenance around the water plant.

# HARBOR MASTER

# Robert E. Galovin Small Boat Harbor Report February 2023

- Delivered oil to Public Works
- Completed repairs and maintenance to one of the Gehls
- Took fire boat out to get used to the controls and fueled it up
- Hauled and launched a couple boats
- Snow removal and cleaned up around the harbor
- Made a payment for camera guy to come in and reconnect camera system

# HEARINGS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

TO: Mayor Smith City Council Members

FROM: Jordan Keeler City Administrator

**DATE:** March 13, 2023



SUBJ: Financial Overview Discussion - Revenue

Presented for City Council consideration and possible action is Resolution 23-05: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SAND POINT SUPPORTING PARTICIPATION IN THE DENALI COMMISSION GRANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITY. The application process requires evidence of community support for the project and this resolution satisfies that requirement as well as the inclusion of the Capital Improvement Project list that Council passed in November of last year. It is also important to note that Sand Point is designated as a nondistressed community, so a 50% cost share is required but the source of the 50% match is not restricted to City funds; outside funds such as tribal or borough funds are eligible to be used for the match. The application is due April 14<sup>th</sup> and I have most of the legwork done on the application. If council approves, I will complete the remainder of the work and then have the AML contracted grant writers review it before submission.



## **RESOLUTION 23-05**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SAND POINT SUPPORTING PARTICIPATION IN THE DENALI COMMISSION GRANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

**WHEREAS**, The City of Sand Point has several desired capital projects in the community as part of its latest Capital Improvement Plan; and,

WHEREAS, The City of Sand Point has identified the need for a new incinerator as a community need to maintain solid waste service; and,

**WHEREAS**, The Denali Commission is offering a competitive grant opportunity for community infrastructure and development projects; and,

**WHEREAS,** The City of Sand Point is classified as a non-distressed community and will be required to provide a 50% cost share for any project; and,

WHEREAS, The Denali Commission is requesting evidence of support from the community for all applications; and,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT**: the City of Sand Point, by this resolution, wishes to have its application for a new incinerator considered for Denali Commission funding.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:** The City of Sand Point is committed to a 50% local match.

# PASSED AND APPROVED BY A DULY CONSTITUTED QUORUM OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF SAND POINT ON THIS 14<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2023

# CITY OF SAND POINT

ATTEST:

James Smith, Mayor

Jade Gundersen, City Clerk

# Memo

To:	Mayor Smith
From:	Jordan Keeler, Administrator
CC:	City Council
Date:	March 8, 2023
Re:	Capital Improvement Project (CIP) List for Sand Point and Resolution 23-06

Resolution 23-06 for your consideration revises the Capital Improvement Project (CIP) list for the City of Sand Point. Having a CIP is important when applying to funding sources to demonstrate the projects on the list have gone through a public review, is relatively up-to-date, and shows that the City has considered its capital needs and ranked them accordingly. Having a CIP is not a guarantee of funding, but most agencies will take into account whether or not a project is on the CIP, and where it ranks on the CIP relative to similar, if any, projects.

The CIP is not a one-time list of needs but can be changed and updated at any time to reflect the current situation in the community as projects are either completed or re-prioritized. The list can also be revised to be tailored to a certain funding agency by listing a specifically targeted project above one that may have a greater overall need and then switched back at as needed.

For this revised version of the City's CIP, I have the damn/culvert repair as the top priority followed by a new incinerator, then the two projects that I submitted funding requests for, which would be the harbor road bridge rehab and harbor foot bridge rehab, followed by new equipment for public works. AML will be applying for funding for the new heavy equipment for public works as part of a larger equipment request on behalf of several smaller communities in the state. Removed from the list is the City Hall repair and paving of all roads in the community.



## **RESOLUTION 23-06**

### A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SAND POINT ESTABLISHING THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT LIST

WHEREAS, The City of Sand Point recognizes the value of a Capital Improvement Project List; and,

**WHEREAS**, The City of Sand Point has several capital projects it wishes to see completed for the betterment of the community; and,

WHEREAS, Funding agencies often require applicants to have CIP and factor that into their scoring matrix; and,

**WHEREAS,** The City of Sand Point Council has reviewed several projects in public meetings and wishes to purse funding opportunities;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT**: the City of Sand Point, by this resolution, establishes a Capital Improvement Project (CIP) List comprised of the following projects in order of priority:

- 1. Sand Point Culvert and Dam Repair
- 2. Incinerator Replacement
- 3. Humbolt Slough Bridge Rehabilitation
- 4. Harbor Footbridge Rehabilitation
- 5. Public Works Heavy Equipment Replacement

# PASSED AND APPROVED BY A DULY CONSTITUTED QUORUM OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF SAND POINT ON THIS 14<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2023.

# **CITY OF SAND POINT**

James Smith, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jade Gundersen, City Clerk

# **OLD BUSINESS**

TO: Mayor Smith City Council Members
FROM: Jordan Keeler City Administrator
DATE: March 8, 2023



SUBJ: AU/GCI Development Permit

GCI has applied for a development permit to install fiber optic lines on a door-to-door basis in Sand Point. This came up at the last meeting but was tabled due to lack of clarity on their plans. After follow up conversation, they clarified that no cuts will be made to pavement and any road crossings where there is pavement will be made with a special machine made to bore under the road. They have also proposed weekly or daily meetings if needed to coordinate the upcoming digs and ask for any locates that will be needed. On that note, I did pass along the name of Dennis McGlashan as somebody they could hire locally who has in-depth knowledge of the locations of the water and sewer lines. GCI also committed to raking and reseeding disturbed ground where possible. Of note, they did get a \$250k performance bond for their work in Unalaska and they indicated they are willing to do the same in Sand Point.

February 9, 2023

Mr. Jordan Keeler City of Sand Point 3380 C Street, Suite 205 Anchorage, AK 88503

#### Subject: Development Permit for AU Aleutian

Dear Mr. Keeler:

Unicom, Inc. (Unicom), a subsidiary of GCI Communications Corp. (GCI) is seeking a development permit and approvals from the City of Sand Point to install fiber optic cable to bring broadband access to the residents of Sand Point.

#### **Project Description**

This effort is part of the AU Aleutian Project, which will deliver fast, reliable broadband service to six rural Alaska Native Aleut villages for the first time, including Sand Point. This project will support economic development and social services. The lack of broadband access limits economic development and efficiency of services delivered by health care providers, schools, and tribal entities. The subsea cable has been installed, with community-specific installation occurring in the next year.

Unicom has received full funding for this project from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Utilities Service (RUS) and has been installed in Unalaska, with installation in King Cove and Sand Point scheduled for completion this year.

All federal approvals and consultations related to cultural resources, historic properties, endangered species and wetlands are completed. A full environmental assessment that describes the project in detail, discloses potential impacts, and documents agency concurrence is available here: https://www.rd.usda.gov/sites/default/files/au aleutian ea final.pdf

#### **Development Permit Area**

The project in Sand Lake includes the following:

- Buried broadband fiber cable through trenching no deeper than 3 feet in depth and 3 feet wide. Trenching will occur within existing road rights-of-way (ROW) and within existing disturbance when feasible (as shown in green)
- Fiber cable installed along existing utility poles (as shown in red)



I am happy to answer any questions and look forward to completing this project.

Sincerely, Valerie Haragan

#### City of Sand Point PO Box 249 Sand Point, AK 99661 (907) 383-2696 Building Permit Application

Owner/Applicant:Unicom, Inc.

Address: 2550 Denali Street, Suite 1000 Anchorage, AK 99503

Legal Description: See atTractBloc		_ Lot_		\$	SUB	
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# NEW BUSINESS

City of Sand Point Po Box 249 Sand Point, AK 99661 Atten: Mayor Smith and Council Members



Dear Mayor Smith and Council Members,

Our NYO team is fundraising to bring two/three more kids to the State this year for NYO. The school district only funds to bring two athletes every year. We have been working really hard to practice and train for these State events. If your entity can help and donate any amount for this cause, we would really appreciate it.

Please contact me with any questions.

Best,

Sand Point Native Youth Olympics Team.

Jade Gundersen PO Box 314 Sand Point, AK 99661

March 10, 2023

Mayor and City Council City of Sand Point PO Box 249 Sand Point, AK 99661

RE: Janice Shuravloff Memorial Easter Egg Hunt Donation Request

Dear Honorable Mayor and Council Members:

The annual Janice Shuravloff Memorial Easter Egg Hunt is just around the corner! This year, it will be held on Saturday, April 8, 2023. We will have egg hunts for ages 0 up to 12th grade with easter baskets as prizes for 0-6<sup>th</sup> Grade, and gift cards for 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade.

This event relies on volunteers, donations, and fundraising. Donations and fundraising will be used to pay for the baskets, egg coloring supplies, candy bags provided to all participants, and prizes for teens.

We are asking for a donation to help with the cost of this event. We appreciate your support in the past and hope you will continue doing so this year. We ask that you considering donating \$400 this year, but any amount would be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions or need more information, please call me at (907)386-6165.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

gade Gundersen

Jade Gundersen

# PUBLIC COMMENTS

# COUNCIL COMMENTS

# ADJOURNMENT

# FYI

#### AMHS 2023 Summer Schedule Now Available for Booking

From : Alaska DOT and PF <dotpf.announcement@service.govdelivery.com>

Subject : AMHS 2023 Summer Schedule Now Available for Booking

To:sptcity@arctic.net

**Reply To :** dotpf announcement <dotpf.announcement@service.govdelivery.com> Tue, Mar 07, 2023 12:17 PM



#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: March 7, 2023

CONTACT: Sam Dapcevich, (907) 465-4503, Sam.Dapcevich@alaska.gov

#### AMHS 2023 Summer Schedule Now Available for Booking

(**JUNEAU, Alaska**)—The Alaska Marine Highway System (AMHS) has released its Summer 2023 schedule, allowing bookings for travel this summer. This schedule is different from the Summer of 2022, as challenges with hiring skilled crew prevent AMHS from running both the Kennecott and the Columbia at the same time. The May 1 through Sept. 30 schedule represents a baseline service that will be increased as AMHS crewing improves.

To provide the most reliable service to Alaskans, the 2023 summer schedule will include the M/V Columbia, the M/V LeConte, and the M/V Hubbard as the primary vessels servicing Southeast Alaska. The M/V Tustumena will continue to serve Southwest Alaska, the M/V Aurora will continue to serve Prince William Sound, and the M/V Lituya will continue to serve the Ketchikan area. The M/V Kennicott and M/V Tazlina will be off-line for the time being due to skilled crew shortages, but will be brought back on-line once hiring increases. The M/V Matanuska remains in layup due to needed repairs.

Hiring new and experienced crew is the most significant challenge in moving beyond a baseline ferry schedule. Since January, AMHS has taken additional steps to hire and recruit skilled workers. Those changes have included extending the signing bonus for IBU members,

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increased advertising throughout Alaska and the Lower-48, outreach to all Alaska High Schools, and reestablishing an AMHS job fair presence throughout the state and Lower-48. The department is also considering establishing a conditional hire program for qualified candidates awaiting credentialing paperwork, a shipboard internship program, and a Ketchikan-based training program.

The baseline schedule focuses on service to Alaskans in the three coastal regions that AMHS serves—Southeast, Southwest, and Prince William Sound. Running the M/V Columbia strengthens the overall reliability of the system this summer, as the crewing requirements are less stringent for inside waters. Until AMHS hires additional crew to sail the M/V Kennicott, Prince Rupert, Yakutat, and cross-gulf sailings to Whittier will not be included on the baseline schedule.

"DOT&PF and AMHS will be seeking alternative travel arrangements for Cross Gulf, Prince Rupert and Yakutat travel," said DOT&PF Commissioner Ryan Anderson. "While we are hopeful we can get the Kennicott crewed over the next months, we will also be evaluating possibilities to continue Prince Rupert service through alternative means and provide supplemental service for Yakutat and cross Gulf of Alaska connections."

To review the updated AMHS summer schedule check here: www.dot.alaska.gov/amhs/schedules.shtml

To make reservations for travel on AMHS check here: <u>https://bookamhs.alaska.gov/book/sailing-search/journeySearch/</u>

The Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities oversees 237 airports, 9 ferries serving 35 communities along 3,500 marine miles, over 5,600 miles of highway and 839 public facilities throughout the state of Alaska. The mission of the department is to "Keep Alaska Moving through service and infrastructure."

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# Aleutian Airways' New Cold Bay And Sand Point Route Begins May 1, 2023

/ News / By flyaleutian

[Anchorage, Alaska, March 8, 2023] — Sterling Airways dba Aleutian Airways announced today new service to Sand Point and Cold Bay, Alaska, as part of its continuing route expansion. Aleutian's newest destinations will utilize its growing fleet of Saab 2000 aircraft providing safe, reliable and efficient service to Cold Bay and Sand Point beginning Monday, May 1, 2023.

Initial route details are as follows:

- Depart Anchorage at 1:30 p.m.
- Arrive in Sand Point at 3:15 p.m.
- Depart Sand Point at 3:45 p.m.
- Arrive in Cold Bay at 4:10 p.m.
- Depart Cold Bay at 4:40 p.m.
- Arrive in Anchorage at 6:20 p.m.

Aleutian Airways also announced new service to <u>King Salmon, Alaska</u>, early last week. The addition of Sand Point and Cold Bay increases its network to five cities.

"Since our first day of operation, we've made it clear that we are committed to supporting communities throughout Alaska," said Wayne Heller, President and CEO. "Continuing to invest in our region by expanding service to critical destinations throughout the Aleutian Islands is just one of the ways we aim to deliver on this promise. It's an exciting time for us with so many possibilities for continued growth, partnerships and career opportunities for the region and communities we serve."

Tickets for all routes are available now on <u>flyaleutian.com</u>, online travel agency sites and through local travel agents.

For media assets or to schedule an interview please contact Ashley Hammers, Director of Branding and Communication, <u>ashley.hammers@flyaleutian.com</u>.

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## **Pauloff Harbor Tribe**

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March 8, 2023

Mayor James Smith City of Sand Point P.O. Box 249 Sand Point, AK 99661

Dear Mayor Smith:

The Pauloff Harbor Tribal Council at a meeting on March 7, 2023 approved the City of Sand Point's request for financial assistance to replace the burn box at the Sand Point landfill. Having an operational burn box is needed to address public health and safety especially with regards to COVID-19. A new burn box will help to keep the community safe from unhealthy trash.

The council has authorized up to \$250,000 toward the purchase of a burn unit.

Please forward the invoice to the Pauloff Harbor Tribe for payment when the city is ready to purchase this needed equipment.

Sincerely,

Harry Phunderson

George P. Gundersen President



### Governor's Amended FY 2024 Budget

- Governor Dunleavy recently unveiled <u>a package of amendments to his FY 2024 budget</u> <u>proposals</u>, increasing the expected deficit to about \$400 million for the upcoming fiscal year. His proposals increase funding for the Office of Public Advocacy, the Public Defender Agency, and the Division of Public Assistance, \$24 million to offset an expected shortfall in Medicaid support for extra pandemic-era contributions to the health care, and over \$500 million in capital spending (most of which is with federal funds). More details about his proposals can be found <u>here</u> and <u>here</u>.
- A critical part of this package involves funding the match needed for <u>the \$285 million in federal funds</u> provided to the Alaska Marine Highway System (AMHS) back in January. Under the governor's plan, these funds will come from a combination of existing funds in the operating budget and the vessel replacement fund, plus use of other federal funds based on existing state expenditures for vessel overhaul work and vessel operations using a federal toll credit system. The awarded grants includes \$44 million in federal money to fund Calendar Year 2023 vessel operations. **The current operating budget anticipated around \$83 million in federal infrastructure funds, leaving a shortfall of \$39 million for the legislature to address unless more federal funds are obtained.**

### Senator Lisa Murkowski's Annual Address

- U.S. Senator Lisa Murkowski (*R-Alaska*) delivered her annual address to a joint session of the Alaska Legislature on February 22nd. A copy of her speech can be found <u>here</u> and a recorded video can be found <u>here</u>. Sen. Murkowski reflected on prior-year accomplishments and detailed future challenges and goals, as outlined below:
  - <u>State Infrastructure Projects</u>: Sen. Murkowski celebrated the nearly \$3.2 billion in funding from the bipartisan infrastructure bill allocated for the construction and modernization of "core infrastructure" in Alaska. She highlighted \$285 million for the Alaska Marine Highway, \$250 million for Nome's Arctic Deep Draft Port, and \$210 million for Coast Guard projects in Kodiak to support Offshore Patrol Cutters. Murkowski also said that the Department of Energy is "standing up the \$1 billion program created for energy improvement in rural and remote areas."
  - Policy Wins: Sen. Murkowski summarized several policy achievements, including the passage of the University of Alaska Fiscal Foundation Act, which, through a 360,000-acre land grant, will provide additional revenue to "support its students, faculty, and campus infrastructure"; the reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act; and funds for subsistence harvesters "affected by fisheries disasters" and expedited aid for communities impacted by Typhoon Merbok. Lastly, she included details regarding investments in our military, including \$335 million for military construction and increases in pay and benefits for military service members.
  - <u>Economic Concerns</u>: Citing "ten straight years of net outmigration," declining GDP, and disproportionately low employment growth, Sen. Murkowski stressed the importance of continued resource development and making Alaska a place where "people want to move and stay." She applauded legislators for their recent passage of a resolution supporting the Willow project. However, Murkowski urged legislators to also focus on solving gaps in the availability of workforce development, childcare, transportation, and housing to keep Alaskans here and attract newcomers. A summary of Alaska's population decline can be found <u>here</u>.
  - <u>Transportation</u>: Stating that she "almost never calls on the legislature to do anything specific," **Murkowski asked for support in approving matching funds for the Alaska Marine Highway.** "We have an unprecedented opportunity to refloat our struggling ferry system. This is our shot. This is a lifeline. Grab it." She also suggested continued conversation on the development of the northern rail extension and Mat-Su rail connection and the modernization of the Port of Alaska.

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### Congresswoman Mary Peltola Addresses Legislature

- On February 17th, U.S. Representative Mary Peltola (*D-Alaska*) briefly addressed a joint session of the Alaska Legislature for the first time in her congressional role. Rep. Peltola, a moderate Democrat from Bethel who served in the Alaska State Legislature from 1999 to 2009, explained that she continues to employ the "Alaska Model" in D.C., a bipartisan or multipartisan effort to work with all lawmakers, regardless of party identity, to "tackle" challenging policy issues.
- Some of the issues she presented included a summary of the federal infrastructure funding for a variety of Alaska projects; a call to action to invest in future generations of Alaskans; and clear support, from all members of the Alaska delegation, of the Willow project. Lastly, Peltola provided background on her "pro-fish" campaign and why it's critical to fight for fish. "Climate change, bycatch, inadequate research funding, and an antiquated management system have left us with ecosystems on the brink of collapse. Our economy depends on fish. Our cultures depend on fish. All Alaskans depend on fish." A copy of her speech can be found here and a recorded video can be found here.

### **Other Capitol News**

- <u>New Division of Elections Director</u>: Lt. Governor Nancy Dahlstrom appointed Carol Beecher to lead the Alaska Division of Elections following the retirement of Gail Fenumiai. Beecher has worked for the state since 2005 in a variety of capacities including head of the child support division. She has long supported the Republican party and has a history making campaign contributions to Republican candidates. Lt. Gov. Dahlstrom said in a statement that Beecher's "professionalism and extensive experience will ensure that Alaska is ready for the 2024 election cycle and beyond." Additional details on Beecher can also be found <u>here</u>.
- Degree Requirement Removed for State Jobs: In an effort to address "an unprecedented workforce shortage," Governor Dunleavy issued an order that removes the requirement of a four-year college degree for most state jobs. "The State of Alaska is committed to increasing economic opportunities for the people of Alaska by expanding the path to public employment. Many jobs can be filled by Alaskans who have relevant work experience, skills, or competency-based training." The order takes effect immediately.
- Senate Begins Analysis of State Retirement Systems: Providing public employees a new retirement option including a pension is one of the Senate Majority's top priorities. Several bills are under consideration, with a new one expected shortly. Most are structured to give employees in the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) or the Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) a choice between the present defined contribution (DC) system, or to join a new defined benefit (DB) pension tier. Senate Finance received a presentation this week from the Division of Retirement & Benefits showing there is a "benefits gap" compared to the old pension plan.
- <u>Representative David Eastman Censured, Again</u>: Following a series of controversial comments in a <u>House Judiciary Committee hearing</u>, Rep. Eastman (*R-Wasilla*) was censured by the House of Representatives with a vote of 35-1 (Eastman was the "no" vote). In committee, during a presentation by the Alaska Children's Trust, Eastman asked if an abused child were to die, would the state benefit economically. He later claimed he was making a point about economic arguments for abortion. Fellow Judiciary Committee member Representative Andrew Gray (*D-Anchorage*) made the censure motion on the floor for "offensive, insulting and unsubstantiated claims that undermine the dignity of the House." Eastman was censured in 2017 for offensive comments.

### Summary of State Legislation



African Leopard, Zambia

Below is a list of legislative measures of interest, divided into six main topics: fiscal measures, general municipal issues, education measures, fishery & resource issues, energy matters, and election & voting issues. House measures are first, followed by Senate proposals. Companion bills are listed together. **Priority focus will be on those likely to get traction. Happy to address other measures if asked.** More information about these measures can be found at <u>Alaska Municipal League Legislative Tracker</u> or <u>Alaska State</u> <u>Legislature.</u> Check out what your legislators are doing. **New bills are in BLUE, change in status in RED, and passed bills in GREEN.** 

### Fiscal Measures

Measure	Summary	Status
HB 39/SB 40 by governor	<u>FY 2024 Operating Budget</u> : Provides flat funding for K-12 and pupil transportation. School debt reimbursement funded at 100%. Increases AMHS operating budget by over \$10 million.	HB 39 overviews House Finance 2/27-3/3 SB 40 pending Senate Finance
HB 49/SB 48 by governor	Authorizes the state to lease state land for carbon management purposes, or to sell carbon offsets on forested public lands by guaranteeing to not develop or cut down trees.	HB 49 sched. H RES 2/27, 3/1 SB 48 pending Senate RES
HB 50/SB 49 by governor	Omnibus carbon capture, utilization, and storage (CCUS) bill giving the state authority to sell to companies the right to inject carbon dioxide underground to dispose of it.	HB 50 sched. House RES 2/27 SB 49 pending Senate RES
HB 72 by Ortiz	Proposes division of annual 5% POMV Permanent Fund draw with 25% for the annual dividend and 75% for state services.	Scheduled Ways & Means 3/1

## General Municipal Issues

Measure	Summary	Status
HB 5 by Rauscher	Moves regular sessions of the Alaska State Legislature from Juneau to Anchorage.	Pending Community & Regional Affairs
HB 12 by Josephson	Provides authority to municipalities to regulate trapping within its boundaries.	Pending Community & Regional Affairs
HB 21 by Vance	Allows municipalities and school districts to join a state managed health insurance program.	Pending Education
HB 22 - Josephson SB 35 - Kawasaki	Allows firefighters and peace officers a choice between a defined benefit pension versus the current 401(k) plan. Establishes medical benefits eligibility requirements.	HB 22 pending House STA SB 35 pending Senate L&C
HB 30 by Ortiz	Places Alaska permanently on daylight saving time if federal law is amended to permit it.	Pending Community & Regional Affairs
HB 35 by Rauscher SB 8 by Wilson	Repeals the certificate of need (CON) program for health care facilities.	HB 35 pending House HSS SB 8 sched. Senate HSS 3/2
HB 47 by McKay SB 45 by Wilson	Authorizes use of direct health care agreements with medical providers to pay a monthly fee for care.	HB 47 scheduled H HSS 2/28 SB 45 passed out S HSS 2/23
HB 61 by Tilton SB 63 by Kawasaki	Limits state or municipal regulation of firearms during a disaster emergency declaration.	HB 61 referred H CRA, STA SB 63 heard/held S CRA 2/23
HB 69 by Cronk	Allows first-class cities with less than 400 people to be reclassified as a second-class city if requested.	Schedule House Education 3/1
HB 70 by Tomaszewski	Exempts certain parking lots and real and personal property owned by a nonprofit from municipal taxation.	Referred Community & Regional Affairs

Measure	Summary	Status
SJR 5 by Claman	Amends the Alaska State Constitution to limit regular sessions of the legislature to 90 days.	Pending Judiciary
SB 11 by Kiehl	Allows teachers and other public employees a choice between a defined benefit pension versus the current 401(k) plan.	Pending Labor & Commerce
SB 14 by Kawasaki	Allows employers to adopt a retirement incentive program (RIP) for both TRS and PERS members of a defined benefit plan.	Passed out Education 2/20

## **Education Measures**

Measure	Summary	Status
HB 6 by Rauscher	Requires DEED to create middle & high school curriculum re: dangers of opioid drugs.	Scheduled Health & Social Services 3/2
HB 26 by Story	Renames Alaska Native Language Preservation and Advisory Council and adds two seats.	Pending Tribal Affairs
HB 27 by McKay	Requires school districts to designate sports team as male, female or co-ed and bars transgender girls from participating in female sports.	Pending Education
HB 31 by Story SB 56 by Dunbar	Expands amounts & eligibility requirements for the Alaska performance scholarship program.	HB 31 heard/held H EDC 2/20 SB 56 referred S EDC, FIN
HB 44 by Story	Requires DEED to develop a cultural education program for use by local school districts.	Pending Education
HB 71 by Rauscher	Requires school districts to make records & financial information available on the Internet at no cost.	Referred Education
SB 24 by Gray-Jackson	Directs Board of Education & Early Development to develop guidelines for instruction in mental health in consultation with the Health and Family & Community Services departments.	Heard & held Education 2/22
SB 29 by Stevens	Adds civics exam requirement to graduate from secondary school.	Heard & held Education 2/22
SB 43 by Gray-Jackson	Requires school districts to provide a program of health and personal safety education for K-12, including science-based sexual health education.	Scheduled Education 3/1
SB 52 by Senate EDC HB 65 by Ortiz	SB 52 increases BSA by \$1,000, moving from \$5,960 to \$6,960. HB 65 increases BSA by \$1,250. Both bills effective starting in FY 24.	SB 52 pending Senate EDC HB 65 heard & held House EDC 2/20

## Fishery & Resources Issues

Measure	Summary	Status
HB 18 by Stutes	Proposes regional associations to encourage new fisheries, modeled after SE AK Regional Dive Fisheries Association. Members self-assess tax to fund surveys.	Pending Fisheries
HB 19 by Stutes	Exempts commercial fishing vessels with valid licenses from numbering and registration provisions.	Heard & held Fisheries 2/2
HB 20 by Stutes	Allows members of the Board of Game or Fisheries to deliberate on and discuss matters if they or a family member have a personal or financial interest.	Pending Resources
HB 74 by governor SB 69 by governor	Broadens definition of "geothermal resources", improves DNR's ability to support geothermal development, and increases acreage limits for projects on state land.	HB 74 sched. H ENE 2/28, 3/2 SB 69 referred S RES, FIN

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Measure	Summary	Status
SB 15 by Kawasaki	Requires highest priority for personal use fisheries except if needed to achieve a management goal.	Pending Resources
SB 68 by Senate Resources	Changes public notice requirements to the Alaska Online Public Notice System for a sale, appropriation or removal of water, or a declaration of a right of water.	Pending Resources
SB 72 by Giessel	Requires any designation of state water as outstanding national resource water must be done by law.	Referred Resources
SB 82 by Bjorkman	Establishes Cook Inlet buy-back program for set net entry permits. Broadens CFEC authority to establish management areas.	Referred Resources, Finance

## Energy Matters

Measure	Summary	Status
SB 25 by Kaufman	Repeals several, inactive funds including the rural elec- trification revolving loan fund.	Heard & held Finance 2/8
SB 33 by Kaufman HB 62 by Edgmon	Extends the renewable energy grant fund program from June 30, 2023, until June 30, 2033.	SB 33 passed out RES 2/15 HB 62 passed out ENE 2/16

## Election & Voting Issues

Measure	Summary	Status
HB 1 by Rauscher HB 4 by Vance SB 2 by Shower	Repeals Alaska's new ranked choice voting system and the open primary system. Maintains restrictions on "dark money".	HB 1/HB 4 pending House STA SB 2 pending Senate STA
HB 36 by Schrage	Requires prior financial disclosure by sponsors of ballot measure or recall campaign.	Pending State Affairs
HB 37 by Schrage	Elections bill allowing same day registration, ballot tracking & curing, signature verification and expands ability to allow vote by mail in small communities.	Pending State Affairs
SB 1 by Shower	Election bill allowing ballot curing, creating ballot-tracking system, and provides a telephone hotline.	Pending State Affairs
SB 5/6/7 by Shower	Suite of bills requiring voter registration list culling, use of certain type of voting machines, and creating new crimes for ballot tampering or info disclosure.	All bills pending State Affairs
SB 17 by Kawasaki	Limits political contributions to candidates with an inflation adjuster on amounts.	Pending State Affairs
SB 19 by Kawasaki	Requires state to provide stamped return envelopes for absentee ballots, allows ballot-curing and ballot tracking, and imposes new election-related crimes.	Pending State Affairs
SB 61 by Wielechowski	Adds Alaska to the National Popular Vote Interstate Compact to award its electoral votes to the national ticket that wins the popular vote. Takes effect when participants represent a majority of electoral votes.	Pending Judiciary