

TO: Mayor Gardner
City Council Members

FROM: Jordan Keeler
City Administrator

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SUBJ: Monthly Report for January 2019



Here is a brief list of items I have been working on over the holiday season.

TRANSPORTATION

- The new dock has not gone out to bid. In late December, DOT+PF was informed by the Federal Highway Administration that a temporary construction easement was required; this has not been a previous requirement of federally funded projects administered by DOT+PF. The City will grant a temporary construction easement, but because the Borough has a 20% ownership of the land in question, they must also approve, which they will do at their January 10 meeting.
- Ravn indicated last month during a presentation that they are considering adding the Bombardier Dash 8 into the mix of aircraft that serve Sand Point. This is concerning as it is a slower, lesser capacity aircraft than the Saab 2000, also it undercuts the work done by various parties to obtain the 139 certification. I have invited a Ravn representative to the February meeting but have not heard back.

FISHERIES

- The Board of Fish continues to be the 800-pound gorilla in the room. I will submit written testimony on behalf of the City and I urge all everyone who cannot testify in person to submit written comments by the February 7th deadline.

ADMINISTRATIVE

- Mayor and I had a wide-ranging and frank talk with the new CEO of EATS, Keja Whiteman, shortly after the death of a community member. What changes they will make remains to be seen, but overall Ms. Whiteman acknowledged our concerns and outlined the steps she is taking to address them. I also am in the process of providing EATS their requested public records.
- I attended Borough's three-day planning session to represent the City and openly advocate for the importance of Sand Point's needs and projects.
- I worked with a contractor with AECOM to fill-in the gaps on their information on the City as part of their work on a Hazard Mitigation Plan on behalf of the borough. The City can, in the future, separately adopt our section of the plan in order to access funds for hazard mitigation activities.

OTHER ITEMS

- Gathered documents for the state, various emails, took some time off around the holidays and other mundane tasks.