

# MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH

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# MEMORANDUM

DATE:	August 3, 2022
TO:	Mayor and Assembly
FROM:	Michael Brown, Borough Manager
RE:	Manager's Weekly Post

**Port Quarterly Report**: The following information is provided to keep the Assembly apprised of Port operations, maintenance and business development during the 4th Quarter of FY22 (April – June 2022).

FY22 Operating Costs and Revenues:

4th Qtr Operating Costs:		\$108,070			
4th Qtr Revenues: Dockage \$17,004	\$15 Wharfage \$93,201	4,650	Storage \$0	Leases/Permits \$44,445	
Year to Date Operating Costs:			966		
Year to Date Revenues:		\$266,	162		
Dockage	Wharfage		Storage	Leases/Permits	
\$17 <i>,</i> 651	\$95 <i>,</i> 695		\$2,842	\$149,974	

Upcoming Vessel Traffic: There are currently no vessels scheduled.

## Maintenance:

- 1. FEMA Earthquake Repairs: \$839K funded (75% FEMA and 25% State of Alaska). Tutka was awarded the contract. Repairs to revetment have been completed. Repairs to high mast lights, Don Young Road and Lu Young Lane are currently underway. Expect completion Fall 2022.
- 2. Cathodic Protection Retrofit: \$385K funded. Norton Corrosion will be onsite to conduct their annual services and inspection of the cathodic system mid-August. Their findings will be provided to Moffitt and Nichol for analysis. If it is determined that pile mounted anodes are the optimal retrofit there is the potential for the design of the retrofit to be change-ordered into the pile sleeve design.

3. Pile Sleeves and Roll-on/roll-off (Ro-Ro) Ramp: \$9.6M funded (\$7.6M EDA and \$1.9M MSB). Moffitt and Nichol conducted a waterside assessment of the deep draft piles at the end of June. We anticipate receiving the formal report in August 2022.

## Uplands Leases and Permits:

- 1. Central Alaska Energy (CAE) lease: negotiations for a revised land lease continue.
- 2. Former NPI lease clean-up: NPI had until July 30, 2022 to complete clean-up. If not completed, MSB will have a contractor move it and charge NPI twice the cost of removal per the lease termination agreement.

**Port of Alaska Tariffs (excerpt from Bradners' Alaska Economic Report, August 1, 2022):** Anchorage is moving toward new Port of Alaska cargo tariffs in the expectation that at least part of the port's planned \$1.85 billion in rebuilding costs will be debt-financed and paid for by shippers and, indirectly, by consumers. Meanwhile, the port is after federal grants, which will reduce the amount of debt if grants are obtained. The tariff plan will have to be adopted by the Port Commission along with Anchorage's Assembly, but if approved new rates, when determined, would be effective in January. Following that, the port and municipality will begin discussions with potential bond buyers. As yet there is no firm cost estimate for the reconstruction as design is still underway. Here are the latest cost estimates: Petroleum and cement terminal, \$228 million (complete, August 2022); Phase IIA: Administrative building, \$11 million (complete December 2023); North end stabilization, \$132 million (complete December 2024); cargo dock replacement, \$1.103 billion (complete 2032); petroleum terminal, phase 2, \$184 million (complete 2025).

# Quarterly Investment Summary 4/1/2022 – 6/30/2022:

• Total return for the last quarter was 0.07% with interest received of \$514,613.





**Brett Memorial Ice Rink Closure**: On August 2, 2022, the Brett Ice Rink experienced a pump failure that resulted in a facility closure until parts can be obtained. We are anticipating a two-week closure. Updates will be provided via social media as more information becomes available.

# Public Affairs Media Flyover:

Economy

• Alaska to begin paying dividend, energy checks Sept. 20 – The Cordova Times

Education

- <u>9th annual Stuff the Bus event equips Mat-Su families with new school supplies</u> Alaska News Source
- <u>New k-12 charter school will serve growing Alaska Native population in Mat-Su Borough</u> Alaska Public Media

### Law enforcement

• AST investigate youth campground assaults, warn parents to be careful – KINY Radio

### **Resource Development**

- <u>Alaska's under the radar mining boom</u> ADN
- Exceptional 2022 Donlin Gold drill results North of 60 Mining News

#### Environment

• <u>Contest encouraging creative recycling solutions – Two winners to receive big cash prizes –</u> Alaska News Source

#### Health

• <u>Alaska/Mat-Su saw a major spike in opioid over dose deaths. Naloxone key part of strategy –</u> ADN

#### Fisheries

- Dip netting and sockeye salmon fisheries provide harvest Frontiersman
- Unhappy Fisherman at mouth of Alaska's most fought over river

## Facebook Posts

- Notice of Voter Registration -Regular Election, Tuesday, Nov. 8, 2022
- <u>Candidate Information</u>
- Pre-Assembly Meeting Video with Mayor Edna DeVries
- Floating Dumpster at DSJ Quick thinking custodian (\$12K+ views)

#### Future Events:

- Thursday, August 11, 2022, 4pm-6pm, Houston High School Open House at Houston Jr/Sr High School. This is a community open house to update the Houston community on the new Houston High School project.
- Saturday, August 27, 2022, 10am-4pm at Station 6-2 Emergency Services Capabilities Demonstration for Elected Officials. (Officials are asked to register with Ken Barkley by August 10.)