



Petersburg Borough

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Meeting Agenda Borough Assembly Regular Meeting

Monday, April 13, 2026

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Assembly Chambers

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1. **Call To Order/Roll Call**
2. **Voluntary Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Approval of Minutes**
 - A. **Regular Assembly Meeting Minutes March 16, 2026**
4. **Amendment and Approval of Meeting Agenda**
5. **Public Hearings**
6. **Bid Awards**
7. **Persons to be Heard Related to Agenda**

Persons wishing to share their views on any item on today's agenda may do so at this time.
8. **Persons to be Heard Unrelated to Agenda**

Persons with views on subjects not on today's agenda may share those views at this time.
9. **Boards, Commission and Committee Reports**
10. **Consent Agenda**
11. **Report of Other Officers**
 - A. **Petersburg Medical Center**

PMC CEO Hofstetter will update the Assembly on Medical Center activities. A report is attached to this agenda item.

B. US Forest Service

District Ranger Case will provide an update on Forest Service activities.

C. Petersburg School District

Petersburg School Superintendent Taylor will provide a report on school district activities.

D. SEAPA Report

SEAPA Chairman Bob Lynn and Alternate Board Member Hagerman will provide a report from the March 26, 2026, SEAPA Board Meeting. The report is attached to this agenda item.

12. Mayor's Report

A. April 13, 2026 Mayor's Report

13. Manager's Report

A. April 13, 2026 Manager's Report

14. Unfinished Business

15. New Business

A. Ordinance #2026-05: An Ordinance of the Petersburg Borough Adjusting the FY 2026 Budget for Known Changes - First Reading

If approved in three readings, this ordinance would make changes to the following funds:

Secure Rural Schools Revenue: The federal government approved the Secure Rural Schools Reauthorization Act of 2025 on December 18, 2025. The Borough received its FY24 payment on March 23, 2026, in the amount of \$722,484 for Title I Schools and Roads. A letter from the State of Alaska is attached.

Elderly Housing – Fund 470: Funds are proposed for replacement of Elderly Housing's 44- year- old dry sprinkler system valve and air compressor, which have exceeded their useful life. Details are included in the attached memorandum.

Fire Department: To complete the funding of new SCBA tanks and masks to replace expiring equipment. This expenditure was authorized by Resolution 2026- 05, approved March 16, 2026. The resolution is attached.

Waste Water Outfall Repair Project – Fund 764: This adds \$275,000 in loan funding from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) as well as a \$275,000 expense for the project.

B. Resolution #2026-07: A Resolution of the Petersburg Borough Assembly Approving the Sale of Two Borough- Owned Parcels To 13 Rentals LLC

If approved, Resolution #2026- 07 will authorize the sale of two Borough- owned parcels at 805 and 807 Haugen Drive to 13 Rentals LLC, a sole member LLC owned

by Dave Ohmer, under the negotiated Contract of Sale, for the purposes of construction of two residential duplexes.

The Planning Commission recommended approval after a July 8, 2025, public hearing, and the Assembly later authorized direct negotiations. The parcels are not needed for municipal use, and PMC 16.12.160(C) requires Assembly approval by resolution for their disposal.

The Contract of Sale is attached to this agenda item.

C. Resolution #2026-08: A Resolution Authorizing the Application for, and Execution of, a State Revolving Fund Loan

If approved, Resolution #2026-08 will authorize the Borough Manager to apply for and execute a State Revolving Fund loan from the Alaska Clean Water Fund in an amount up to \$275,000 to finance the Frederick Sound wastewater outfall repair project. Loan repayment would occur over a term not to exceed 20 years and is within the voter- approved wastewater enterprise fund debt authorization.

D. Resolution #2026-09: A Resolution Declaring That Four Leases at Scow Bay May Be Terminated as the Properties Are Needed to Allow Construction of the New Haulout and Boatyard Project

If approved, this resolution will determine that certain Borough-owned leased premises at the Scow Bay project site are needed for a public purpose and authorize termination of four existing leases to allow construction of a fully funded boat haulout and work yard project.

E. Resolution #2026-10: A Resolution in Support of a Return to a Defined Benefit Retirement System for Public Employees, Including House Bill 78

If passed, this resolution will formally express the Petersburg Borough Assembly's support for House Bill 78, which would allow eligible public employees to return to a defined benefit retirement system.

F. Land Purchase Application

The Borough has received an application from Taylor Jensen to purchase Borough- owned property at 505 Mill Street. The Planning Commission held a public hearing on March 10, 2026, as required by PMC § 16.12.080, and recommends approval of the sale subject to the applicant either consolidating the parcel with an adjacent lot they own or granting a utility easement. The assessed value of the property is \$7,500.

G. Communications Tower Site Alternatives

Requested by Assembly Member Meucci

Provide direction to the Borough Manager to work with Tidal Network to identify alternative Borough-owned properties suitable for a communications tower to replace the current site adjacent to the Fire Station. The selected properties should meet Tidal Network's technical specifications while being located away from populated areas. The

Borough Manager is requested to return a list of proposed properties with a brief description of why each site may be suitable, along with specific reasons any sites are not recommended.

H. Bicycle and Pedestrian Path Maintenance and DOT Coordination

Requested by Assembly Member Meucci

Provide direction to the Borough Manager to work with the State of Alaska Department of Transportation (DOT) to clear the bike and pedestrian path between the cemetery and the 2.5-mile marker. During discussions, the Borough Manager is also asked to begin conversations with DOT regarding the development of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for coordination during the fall and winter seasons.

I. Research and Evaluation of a Fish Box Fee

Requested by Assembly Member Meucci

Provide direction to the Borough Manager to research the implementation of a \$10.00 fish box fee similar to the program currently in place with the City and Borough of Sitka, with the goal of potential implementation in 2027. The Borough Manager is requested to return a recommendation to the Assembly outlining the positive and negative aspects of such a fee. The intent is to minimize impact on Borough staff by utilizing charter and lodge operators for accounting and reporting through existing sales tax and transient room tax processes.

J. Letter of Support for Tidal Network Extension Request

Requested by Assembly Member Meucci

Consideration of issuing a letter of support for Tidal Network related to its request for an extension of its Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program award. The proposed letter is attached for Assembly review and consideration.

16. Communications

A. Correspondence Received Since 3.11.2026

17. Assembly Discussion Items

A. Board of Equalization Summary

Vice Mayor Stanton Gregor requested this discussion item.

A BOE Summary is attached to this agenda item in preparation for the BOE hearing on April 14th.

B. Assembly Member Comments

C. Recognitions

18. Adjourn