What’s Happening With Your City Council?

The City Council will hold their next Regular Meeting on January 15, at 6:30 p.m.

Actionable items

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City Hall will be closed on Monday, January 21, 2019, in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day
CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATES FOR JANUARY:

City Council Meeting on January 1st: – CANCELLED

City Council Meeting on January 15th:
There will be a meeting of the City Council on Tuesday, January 15th, 2019, in the Council Chambers of City Hall beginning at 6:30 p.m., with a workshop at 6:00 p.m.

City Council Agenda Items will Include:

- Establishment of Ad-Hoc Committee AND APPOINTMENT OF Members that will HELP draft a “Blight” Ordinance for the City Council’s consideration.
  - If you are interested in serving on this committee, or attending the committee meetings, please contact City Hall.
  - Preparing recommendations on zoning amendments or changes is the duty of the Planning and Zoning Commission, without an active commission, the City Council is tasked with those duties.
  - The City Council is asking anyone who is interested in serving on the Planning and Zoning Commission, fill out a Commission Application for Appointment and return it to the City Clerk. Applications are available on the City’s Website at http://thornebay-ak.gov/visitors/municipal-government/commission-committees/

    Applications may be submitted by mail to PO Box 19110, or email to cityclerk@thornebay-ak.gov, or delivered to City Hall.

- Public Hearing on Davidson Landing Lease Opportunity:
  The City Council will review submitted interest statements in response to the Notice for Lease of 20’ x 40’ of property at Davidson Landing for business operations. The City Council will hear public testimony on this item. If you are interested in being heard on this item, this will be the time.

- Approving the Expenditure of $3,258.20, for replacement of Turbidity Sensor for the Water Department:

Additional agenda items are to be determined. Check the City’s Website for updates on meetings and public notices.
MEETINGS & EVENTS:

**Prince of Wales Landscape Assessment Team Meeting:**
POWLAT members will hear an update from the US Forest Service on the POW Landscape Level Assessment Review and Process.
Meeting will be at the Klawock Vocational Technical Center January 16, 2019 at 11 a.m.

**Prince of Wales Community Advisory Council Meeting:**
POWCAC January 22nd Vocational Technical Center in Klawock at 1:00 p.m. hosted by the Chamber of Commerce.

**Highschool Basketball Games:**
- Jan. 18 & 19: Angoon @ TB
- Jan. 21 & 22: Kake @ TB
- Jan. 25: @ Klawock
- Jan. 26: Klawock @ TB
- Jan. 31 & Feb. 1: Hoonah @ TB

FIRE CERTIFICATION TRAINING OPPORTUNITY:

**Basic Fire Fighter Certification Training:**
There will be a Basic Firefighter Class on POW during the last weekend in January Jan. 25, 26, & 27th. This class will be a 3-day initial class + 1 or 2 follow up days. You must attend all training days to obtain your state certification. We will split the cost of the class among the students equally. The state gave us a tentative 10,000 cost. We have a small donation to start us off. We believe the cost per person will be between 200 – 500 dollars.

If you are interested in taking this class and want to be included on the tentative class roster, please fill out the following form. After we get a class list, we will give you an estimated price per person. For more information go to the state website at: https://dps.alaska.gov/fire/bfast/ruralfireprotection

Contact: Chaundell @ 907-401-1940

CITY EMERGENCY SERVICES OPERATES ONLY BY THE DEDICATION OF VOLUNTEERS.

THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE THAT TAKE TIME FROM THEIR FAMILIES TO HELP PROVIDE PROTECTION TO OUR COMMUNITY.
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT UPDATES:

DAVIDSON LANDING IMPROVEMENT UPDATES:
Davidson Landing Harbor Electrical: The City has prepped the site for the new Power Line Extensions which will be used to power the Harbor pedestals. Harbor users will need to contact AP&T to apply for services at their stall’s.

WATER TREATMENT UPGRADES:
Village Safe Water Grant Awarded to the City of Thorne Bay for Water and Waste Water Improvements. These upgrades are expected to begin in the Spring of this year (2019). Check the City Website for more information.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)
RFP # VSW-KTB-2019-20
City of Thorne Bay, Alaska
Water Plant and Wastewater Plant Improvement Contractor
Department of Environmental Conservation, Village Safe Water Program
Date of Issue: December 21, 2018
Proposal Due Date & Time: January 17, 2019 3:00 PM AKST
Complete RFP Notice available at: https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Notices/View.aspx?id=192489,

IMPORTANT NOTICE:
Winter will be here before we know it!
With the winter season fast approaching the City of Thorne Bay is asking residents to do their part in helping city crews make the snow removal process safe and efficient.

You can help by ensuring that all Vehicles, RV’s Boats and trailers are stored on your property and NOT on the side of the road; this keeps the street and right of ways clear providing easy access for snow removal equipment.

Vehicles remaining on the City streets during snow events may be subject to towing and/or ticketing. Residents are asked to remove their vehicles from the city’s streets during heavy snow fall, even if a snow emergency is not called, to allow Thorne Bay employees to thoroughly clean the streets of snow and ice.

Residents should be aware that, in order to thoroughly clear snow from the streets, it may be necessary for the snow plows to make several passes down each street.
COMMISSION MEMBERS NEEDED:

Thorne Bay is currently seeking persons interested in being appointed to the following Boards and Commissions:

a) **Planning & Zoning Commission** – (7 vacancies) Planning Commission Performs the city-wide functions of planning, platting and zoning for the city. This commission shall consider and advise the city council concerning the removal, location, widening, narrowing, vacating, abandonment, change of use, or extension of streets, alleys, grounds, open spaces, and buildings. The Commissions consists of not more than 11, but not less than 5 commission members. Meets 1\(^{st}\) Monday of every Month.

b) **Streets & Roads Commission** – (7 vacancies) a 7-member advisory commission - develops and prepares a priority program for the maintenance, repair, construction and funding of roadways within the City of Thorne Bay. The priority program shall address but not be limited to vehicle and pedestrian safety, present and future uses, road classification, right of way and roadway ownership, parking and economic impacts to the local business, residents and city in general. Recommendations should be based on sound engineering practices using local, state and federal guidelines for streets and roads. (Meeting dates have not been established)