

Petersburg Borough

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Meeting Agenda Borough Assembly Regular Meeting

Monday, March 03, 2025 12:00 PM Assembly Chambers

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Topic: March 3, 2025 Borough Assembly Meeting

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- 1. Call To Order/Roll Call
- 2. Voluntary Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Approval of Minutes
 - A. February 18, 2025 Assembly Meeting Minutes
- 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

A. Rocky's Marine Tidelands Lease Renewal

Rocky's Marine, Inc. wishes to renew their tidelands lease with the Borough through March 5, 2030, at an annual rate of \$4,572.

11. Report of Other Officers

A. Petersburg Medical Center

PMC CEO Hofstetter will update the Assembly on Medical Center activities.

B. US Forest Service

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

C. BDO Audit Report

Bikky Shrestha and George Barker will present the finding of the Borough's FY 2024 financial audit.

12. Mayor's Report

A. March 3, 2025 Mayor's Report

13. Manager's Report

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14. Unfinished Business

A. Ordinance #2025-01: An Ordinance Amending the Official Zoning Map for Service Area 1 of the Petersburg Borough to Rezone Lot 13B, Plat #2008-15, (Parcel #01-014-700 Located at 1020 Sandy Beach Road) from Rural Residential (R-R) to Single-Family Residential (S-F) - Third and Final Reading

At the direction of the Assembly, the Planning Commission held a public hearing in December regarding the proposed rezone and recommends the Assembly rezone the parcel prior to a public sale of the property. The Assembly unanimously approved Ordinance #2025-01 in its first and second readings.

B. Ordinance #2025-02 - An Ordinance Adjusting the FY 2025 Budget for Known Changes - Third and Final Reading

If approved in three readings, Ordinance #2025-02 will 1) add a Homeland Security Cyber Grant of \$26,736 to the budget; 2) correct the Motor Pool payroll budget with an increase of \$82,595; 3) increase Power & Light's inventory budget by \$45,000 to replenish exhausted power poles and line extension supplies; 4) increase Power & Light's heat pump rebate program budget by \$15,000 to support customer's rebate applications to the end of this fiscal year; and 5) increase Motor Pool's travel and training budget by \$8,697 for CDL licensing. Ordinance #2028-02 was unanimously approved in its first and second readings.

15. New Business

A. Resolution #2025-03: A Resolution Authorizing Temporary Lease of Borough Owned Tidelands at the Scow Bay Turnaround to Andrew Rutherford

Andrew Rutherford filed an application to temporarily lease 5,000 square feet of Borough-owned tidelands located at the Scow Bay Turnaround for demolition and rebuild of a floating airplane hangar. The Planning Commission held a public hearing on the application on February 22, 2025, and recommends the Assembly app0rove a temporary tideland use permit, with conditions, as outlined in their report and in the resolution.

B. Resolution #2025-04: A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of Borough-Owned Property Described as: Lot 16, Block 2, State Land Survey 81-7, Wrangell Narrows, According to Plat 82-11 (PID #02-283-130), and Lot 13B, Plat 2008-15 (PID #01-014-700 Located at 1020 Sandy Beach Road) by Public Outcry Auction

In previous meetings, the Assembly approved the sale of two Borough-owned lots by public outcry auction. Clerk Thompson has suggested the auction be held on Monday, April 21, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. (just prior to the 6:00 Assembly meeting) but that date and time can be changed by the Assembly.

C. Resolution #2025-05: A Resolution Adopting a Visitor Industry Management Plan for Petersburg Drafted by the Visitor Industry Working Group

In 2019 and 2020, the Visitor Industry Working Group, which was comprised of 17 local residents, researched and made recommendations on how to best respond to potential visitor industry growth to address the goal of maintaining the balance between Petersburg's quality of life and the visitor economy. The Working Group published a Visitor Industry Management Plan in early 2021 which, if adopted by the Assembly, can serve as a guide in navigating the future of Petersburg's visitor industry.

D. Letter to Senator Murkowski, Senator Sullivan, and Representative Begich Regarding the Trump Administration's Federal Spending Reduction Plans

At the request of Assembly Members Stanton-Gregor and Lynn, a letter to our Federal Delegation regarding the recent and proposed cuts to federal departments, employment, and funding has been drafted.

16. Communications

A. Correspondence Received Since February 13, 2025

17. Assembly Discussion Items

A. Fish Box Tax

Assembly Member Lynn would like to discuss a future fish box tax.

B. Marine Passenger Fee

Assembly Member Lynn would like to discuss the Marine Passenger Fee.

C. Sales Tax Cap

Assembly Member Lynn would like to discuss a sales tax cap.

- **D.** Assembly Member Comments
- E. Recognitions
- 18. Adjourn