MEETING NO. 2011-11: The Regular Meeting of the City and Borough of Juneau Assembly, held in the Assembly Chambers of the Municipal Building, was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Bruce Botelho.

I. ROLL CALL

Assembly Present: Jonathan Anderson, Mary Becker, Karen Crane, Ruth Danner, Bob Doll, Johan Dybdahl, Merrill Sanford, and Bruce Botelho.

Assembly Absent: David Stone.

Staff Present: Rod Swope, City Manager; Kim Kiefer, Deputy City Manager; John Hartle, City Attorney; Laurie Sica, Municipal Clerk; Rorie Watt, Engineering Director; Mila Cosgrove, HRRM Director; John Stone, Port Director; Patricia DeLaBruere, Deputy Airport Manager.

II. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

A. Public Service Recognition Proclamation

Mayor Botelho acknowledged government employees who contribute time and effort to provide public service to others and proclaimed the week of May 1 – May 7, 2011 as Public Service Recognition week.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. April 11, 2011 – Regular Assembly Meeting 2011-09

Hearing no objection, the minutes of the April 11, 2011 Regular Meeting 2011-09, were approved.

IV. MANAGER’S REQUEST FOR AGENDA CHANGES

Mr. Swope requested that the Assembly substitute a version (b) for Ordinance 2011-14, being introduced, presented to the Assembly in the “red folder.”

V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS.

Carlene Bednarouig spoke regarding the proposed cul-de-sac and ramp to the beach at the end of First Street, in Douglas and said it is not wanted in the neighborhood. If it is needed, a temporary ramp could be considered along the shoreline.

Scott Dornbirer and Renee Rey spoke against the project known as CSP2008-00012, the proposed ramp and cul-de-sac at First Street. Mr. Dornbirer said 100% of the owners and renters on First Street are against the project and the Planning Commission voted unanimously against this as well. There is another city-owned site at the Lawson Creek pump station, which will accommodate the city’s need for this project. The city hopes to have that project complete...
within two – three years. To put a ramp in at First Street will be a duplication of the work that will be done at the Lawson Creek pump station in the near future. If the ramp at First Street is constructed, it should run parallel to the coast. Their preference is for the city to use a temporary ramp at First Street until the Lawson Creek project is completed for a cost of less than $12,000. They asked the Assembly to stop Project CSP2008-00012 in its present form with a cul-de-sac. They would be happy with a temporary ramp tucked up against the coast where it is not so visible, and which would not change the nature of their neighborhood.

Mr. Doll asked if they would be willing to separate the ramp issue from the cul-de-sac issue. Mr. Dornbirer said yes.

**Kelly Corrigan** spoke against the project (CSP2008-00012) as proposed and agreed with his neighbors that had spoken. He questioned some of the notification and a rush to do this project. He said the project was unnecessary. Putting the project into the channel will change the nature of First Street in Douglas. He said that putting in a cul-de-sac could attract tour buses to the area. The people who bought property there enjoy the quiet rural nature of the area. He did not believe the project was in compliance with the Comprehensive Plan or the intent of the Coastal Management Plan. Please do not turn this street into a tour bus stop. There is a lot of wildlife in this area, including birds and fish. The stated need for the project does not occur often enough to require changing the character of the area.

Mr. Doll asked if the area Mr. Corrigan spoke of is so attractive, why people are not using the area now. Mr. Corrigan said the ease of using a paved cul-de-sac would attract people to park there and use the area more often. Many people do use the area to walk on the beach now.

**Mary Kay Pusich** spoke against the project. Over the years she had been to the Planning Commission about this project and the outcome of the Planning Commission meetings were that the project to construct a cul-de-sac and ramp should not be constructed. The Douglas Advisory Board also suggested a letter of recommendation after public meetings. She said she hoped the Assembly’s review of the options, study of the costs submitted and the request of the department would result in a meeting with the residents who live in the area to try to come up with a solution. She said there was not proper notification to all of the users of the area, which included Douglas Island residents, the school students, and others who enjoyed the beach access this area provided. She suggested as an alternative that the city could upgrade the 25’ right-of-way to make it easier to maneuver and install a temporary ramp. That would allow city trucks to access the sewer to service the lines. The Lawson Creek project will happen. She asked the city to leave the smallest footprint of the project necessary to protect and preserve the natural shoreline. Putting a parking lot at the end of First Street is asking for a lot of trouble. She would like to go back to the drawing board on this project.

Ms. Danner asked about Ms. Pusich’s comment about discussions with the Planning Commission over time. Ms. Pusich said this project came up in 2008, and prior to that. She suggested people review the minutes and look through the state’s granting of the tidelands at Lawson Creek, what the expectations were, which included the construction of the sewer line and maintenance of the manholes and any improvements that needed to be made. There is history that is not in the Assembly’s hands. Please research the project. When Beachfront Subdivision was built, people overlooked making proper sewer line accesses. The people of First Street should not have to pay for things that were ignored when Madsen’s subdivision was constructed. Find ways to fix the problem without ruining the tidelands in front of First Street. This cannot be changed once tons of rock are hauled to the beach, and no one will be
able to walk their dog in the same manner or have their bonfires on the Fourth of July. Douglas is special.

Mr. Sanford asked about Ms. Pusich’s comment about the right-of-way. Ms. Pusich said the city owns 25’ of right of way adjacent to the lots that the Dornbirers just purchased from her that goes up the hill. It is fairly flat for a ways back. Mr. Sanford asked if she was suggesting a “hammerhead” turnaround. Ms. Pusich said she recommended the city clean the lot, move the hydrant and telephone pole and add some D-1 to get the 25’ that may not be visible and use that for a truck turnaround. She said the entire neighborhood has been able to use the street in its current form satisfactorily.

Kirby Day spoke for the Tourism Best Management Practices program. He said this is the 15th year of the program and he thanked the Assembly for its continued support. The program has made significant accomplishments and they have more to make. New this year, they have tried to incorporate retail businesses into the program to address issues like street sweeping, window coverings for the winter, sidewalk hawking, and participating in the ambassador program. They are asking companies that have vehicles to refrain from phoning and texting while driving. There are 60+ companies involved and there are ten new retail businesses. He referred people to the website, http://www.tbmp.info

Mr. Anderson asked if all the major bus lines are involved. Mr. Day said they have made an effort to reach everyone and have gotten help from the Port Director. The major companies have always been in the program but many small locals are not. Mr. Anderson asked if MGT was part of the program and Mr. Day said not yet. Mr. Anderson hopes they will join.

Les Morse spoke against the cul-de-sac and ramp on First Street as designed. He said he looked at other cul-de-sacs in the community to compare its impact and said the project seems overbuilt, the costs do not seem appropriate and the estimates seem old for what the costs would be. With an alternative at Lawson Creek, this may be unnecessary. The character of the area would change by the impact into the coastline for those who walk on the beach. This area is a park that does not need a lot of maintenance now, and is a community asset.

Mr. Doll asked if a barrier to prevent private vehicles from accessing the beach would make a difference. Mr. Morse said the community would be open to a discussion about the ramp only.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Public Requests for Consent Agenda Changes, Other Than Ordinances for Introduction – None.

B. Assembly Requests for Consent Agenda Changes – None.

C. Assembly Action

MOTION, by Danner, to adopt the consent agenda. Hearing no objection, it was so ordered.

1. Ordinances for Introduction

a. Ordinance 2011-14(b)
An Ordinance Amending The Official Zoning Map of the City and Borough To Change the Zoning of Tidelands Addition Block 50, Lots 14, 15, Fr 16, The Breakwater Inn and Restaurant, From D-5 Residential to Waterfront Commercial.

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2011-14(b) be introduced and set for public hearing at the next regular meeting.

b. Ordinance 2010-11(AQ)

An Ordinance Appropriating To The Manager The Net Sum Of $3,750 To Adjust The Public Library Assistance Grant And The Regional Mail Services Grant, For The Actual Amounts Received, Grant Funding Provided By The State Of Alaska Department Of Education And Early Development.

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2010-11(AQ) be introduced and set for public hearing at the next regular meeting.

c. Ordinance 2010-12(A)

An Ordinance To Adjust The FY11 Juneau School District Operating Budget, Special Revenue Budget, And Other Budget To Closer Approximate Actual FY11 Revenues And Expenditures.

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2010-12(A) be introduced and set for public hearing at the next regular meeting.

2. Resolutions

a. Resolution 2577

A Resolution De-Appropriating $308,850 From The Local Improvement District No. 130 And $15,128 In Alaska Department Of Environmental Conservation Loan From The Lower Mendenhall Sewer Expansion-Peterson Hill Phase Capital Improvement Project.

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended Resolution 2577 be adopted.

b. Resolution 2578

A Resolution De-Appropriating $94,996 From The Lower Mendenhall Sewer Expansion Capital Improvement Project, Local Improvement District No. 98.

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended Resolution 2578 be adopted.

3. Bid Award

a. Term Contract B11-258

Bid Award for BioSolids Disposal Services

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended award of this project to Capital Disposal.

4. Liquor Licenses

a. Liquor License Transfers and Restaurant Designation Permit Applications
Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended the Assembly waive its right to protest the liquor license transfers and approve the Restaurant Designation Permit applications as follows:

1. Transfer of Restaurant/Eating Place License #2641 (Transfer of ownership, location, name change, and application for a Restaurant Designation Permit)
   FROM: Fernando & Marissa Abad d/b/a F&M Oriental Express Restaurant,
   Location: 210 Seward Street, Juneau, AK
   TO: Talisman, LLC d/b/a “245”
   Location: 245 Marine Way, Juneau, AK

2. Transfer of Beverage Dispensary-Tourism License #586 (Transfer of ownership, name change, and application for a Restaurant Designation Permit)
   FROM: Goldbelt Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Goldbelt Juneau Hotel
   TO: Yang Sing, LLC d/b/a Zen
   Location: 51 W. Egan Drive, Juneau, AK (same location as previous license)

VII. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Ordinance 2011-09
   An Ordinance Creating The Library Department.


   Public Comment: None.

   Assembly Action:

   MOTION, by Crane, to adopt Ordinance 2011-09.

   Mr. Sanford said he understood this change would not add additional funds to the budget. Mr. Swope said that was correct.

   Mr. Doll asked why this issue arose at this time. Mr. Swope said the Library Department had moved as a Division into the Administration Department when Ms. Pierce moved into the manager’s office, as she had been involved with the library for some time. Making the Library its own department seems reasonable.

   Mayor Botelho said he had asked the Manager’s office to consider the idea.

Hearing no objection, Ordinance 2011-09 was adopted.

B. Ordinance 2010-11(AL)
   An Ordinance Appropriating To The Manager The Sum Of $131,285 As Partial Funding For The Gastineau Elementary Renovation, And $225,000 As Additional Funding For The Juneau School District Site Improvements, Funding Provided By 2003A General Obligation Bond Interest Income.
Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2010-11(AL) be adopted.

Public Comment: None.

Assembly Action:

MOTION, by Becker, to adopt Ordinance 2010-11(AL). Hearing no objection, Ordinance 2010-11(AL) was adopted.

C. Ordinance 2010-11(AM)
An Ordinance Appropriating To The Manager The Sum Of $27,262 For Completion Of The Amalga Harbor Launch Ramp Upgrade Capital Improvement Project, Funding Provided By The Harbors Fund Balance.

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2010-11(AM) be adopted.

Public Comment: None.

Assembly Action:

MOTION, by Danner, to adopt Ordinance 2010-11(AM). Hearing no objection, Ordinance 2010-11(AM) was adopted.

D. Ordinance 2010-11(AN)
An Ordinance Appropriating To The Manager The Sum Of $57,996 As Additional Funding For The Juneau International Airport Runway Safety Area Capital Improvement Project, Grant Funding Provided By The Alaska Department Of Transportation.

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2010-11(AN) be adopted.

Public Comment: None.

Assembly Action:

MOTION, by Sanford, to adopt Ordinance 2010-11(AN). Hearing no objection, Ordinance 2010-11(AN) was adopted.

E. Ordinance 2010-11(AO)
An Ordinance Appropriating to the Manager the Sum of $1,441,744 as Additional Funding for the Juneau International Airport Snow Removal Equipment Facility Capital Improvement Project, Grant Funding Provided by the Federal Aviation Administration.

Administrative Report: Attached. The manager recommended Ordinance 2010-11(AO) be adopted.

Public Comment: None.
Assembly Action:

*MOTION*, by Sanford, to adopt Ordinance 2010-11(AO). Hearing no objection, Ordinance 2010-11(AO) was adopted.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Docks and Harbors – Contract Award

**PND Downtown Cruise Ship Dock Design Services and Bid Documents**

*Administrative Report:* Attached.

*Public Comment:* None.

Assembly Action:

*MOTION*, by Danner, to approve the award of a lump sum contract to PND, Inc. in the amount of $2,747,500 for design services related to the replacement of the downtown cruise ship docks and a time and materials contract in an amount not to exceed $100,000 for permitting services related to the project. Hearing no objection, it was so ordered.

X. STAFF REPORTS

Mr. Swope referred to a memo in the “red folder” from Jim Heumann, Water/Wastewater Utility Engineer, regarding disposal of biosolids (formerly known as sewage sludge). He spoke about the situation with the current incinerator and making repairs to the existing facility or installing a new one. The memo outlined a matrix for six different options. Mr. Swope said he met with Mayor Botelho, Deputy Mayor Sanford and Mr. Doll to get feedback before moving forward. He said he would like Assembly direction to move forward with soliciting an RFP from the private sector for the disposal of biosolids.

Option 1 is to repair and restart the incinerator, which is not recommended as it is too expensive, and CBJ can operate the facility at a lower class without it, which makes it easier to recruit employees.

Option 2 is landfilling at the local private facility. This is currently being done under a contract and is an option while the incinerator is not working, however, this seems to be a temporary solution.

Option 3 is creating a CBJ owned landfill disposal. The Hidden Valley and Fish Creek areas are possible locations. He did not recommend this as it is poor use of local land.

Option 4 is to ship it south for disposal. CBJ staff has firm numbers on the cost. Staff discovered that it is a cost effective solution, however, it may be a temporary solution as new regulations are limiting the length of time that landfills in Washington and potentially in Oregon, will be allowed to accept the biosolids.
Option 5 is to create a CBJ-owned compost facility. We have researched this and there are costs and benefits, however we have little experience managing such a facility. CBJ would need to identify someone who is very familiar with such a program to make sure the staff estimates are accurate. This may be a viable option.

Option 6 is using a private compost facility. Mr. Swope would like to put out an RFP to determine if a private facility would be interested in accepting CBJ’s biosolids. A condition would be that they could not bury the material on site, which could create problems with potential leaching and render a property unusable. Another condition would be that they could not ship it south, as it would be a temporary solution.

Mr. Sanford said he understood that the option of shipping the material south may be closed off in the future. CBJ will have to look at doing this through the private sector or with our own city staff locally for a long-term solution.

Mr. Doll said he did not want to see this problem drift along until CBJ was forced to come up with a solution it might not choose. He hoped CBJ will remain in the lead and provide the stimulus to others to do this type of disposal properly.

Mr. Anderson asked if the manager was asking for a consultant to look at the internal solution and an external RFP for a private operator. Mr. Swope said he was only asking for the authority to solicit a private RFP now, and in the future, he may be back to ask for such a consultant. Mr. Anderson said he thought it would be better to get information on both alternatives, and he was also not comfortable with telling a private operator that they could not ship south at this time.

Mr. Swope said first we want to know what the private sector can propose, including the capacity and how much will it cost. At the same time, we would like to have someone review staff’s work on a local option done by CBJ. With that information, the Assembly would have more information to provide a direction on how to proceed. Mr. Swope said he did not want to end up in a situation of being told by a private operator that our solution was no longer viable because of changing regulations.

Mr. Doll said that after the Assemblymembers get a chance to study the information they will arrive at the conclusion that composting is the only option to recommend, and the challenge is to test composting as a technique and have a complete study to see if our information is correct.

Mr. Anderson said he did not think the CBJ should limit what a private business would propose.

Mayor Botelho asked if there was objection to allow the manager to move forward with an RFP for a private biosolids disposal, which does not include shipping or a simple landfill option. Mr. Sanford did not want to eliminate the option of shipping within Alaska. Mr. Swope said he did not want to eliminate that option. The only reason they are eliminating the ship South option is that currently, the only places that are cost competitive are on the West Coast and we know that the biosolids will not be accepted in five years. However, he did not think the RFP should preclude shipping within Southeast Alaska. Hearing no objection, the manager was so directed.
XI. ASSEMBLY REPORTS

A. Committee Reports

Committee of the Whole: Chair Sanford said the COW met on April 4, discussed the Cruise Ship Dock Option 16b and the financial plan. The COW also discussed placing Ordinance 2011-13(b) for public hearing at the Regular Assembly meeting on May 23. On May 16, the COW will discuss the Willoughby District Plan and receive the AJ Mine Report.

Finance: Mayor Botelho noted the next meeting would be May 18.

Human Resources Committee: Chair Danner noted the next meeting on May 9 for the entire Assembly to meet to consider application for the Airport, Docks and Harbors and Eaglecrest Boards.

Lands and Resources Committee: Chair Anderson said the committee met April 25 and forwarded to the Assembly an appropriation ordinance regarding Fish and Wildlife funds to be used to remove the house at the newly acquired land on Montana Creek. The committee also reviewed proposed amendments to Title 53 that would give the manager authority to negotiate small sales of CBJ property, easements, and other minor land disposal issues.

Recess 8 pm – 8:05 p.m.

Public Works and Facilities Committee: Chair Doll said the PWFC met on April 25 and heard from Engineering Department for the second time about the project proposed for First Street in Douglas. The Assembly may wish to review the PWFC’s decision to move the project forward.

Mr. Doll said the Engineering Department brought the project to the Planning Commission for the first time on March 8 and there was no notification to the public because it was not a request for any permission or authorization. The Planning Commission unanimously disapproved the idea and the Engineering Department brought the project to the PWFC on March 10. He referred to information distributed in the “red folder,” which included a line drawing final sketch of the proposal. This is a question about getting access to the beach where the main sewer line runs and being able to maintain the line. Access at the North End at Lawson Creek as a possibility was mentioned at the March 10 meeting and the committee requested more information, which was presented by staff at the April 25 PWFC meeting. The neighborhood is opposed to the project for many reasons; including attracting tourism, noise and trash, increased traffic, and added fill in the channel. They prefer the Lawson Creek option. It would take three years to develop the Lawson Creek option and the terrain there is very steep. There was a motion at PWFC to separate the ramp from the cul-de-sac in the project, but that failed, and the PWFC approved the project.

Ms. Becker said that after consulting with the CBJ attorney, she requested to step down due to a potential conflict of interest due to a property issue. Mayor Botelho said he also conferred with the CBJ attorney about this and ruled that there was a potential conflict that would require Ms. Becker to recuse herself. Hearing no objection, Ms. Becker stepped away from the meeting.
Mr. Dybdahl asked if there was any option looked at to have the sewer maintenance equipment barged to the site. Mr. Doll said that was considered but the main argument against this was it limited the time frame for access and the process was expensive and cumbersome.

Mr. Dybdahl asked if a temporary ramp solution contemplated construction of the ramp and then removal. Mr. Doll was unsure and said they had not seen any presentation on a removable ramp. Any ramp constructed would be barricaded from public access.

Ms. Danner asked to have Mr. Watt answer a few questions. Ms. Danner asked if the cul-de-sac size had to be a specific size and if it was installed completely within the CBJ right-of-way. Had there been any reduction in size since the last presentation. Mr. Watt said the cul-de-sac shown in the drawings was a standard cul-de-sac and the size was determined by the turning radius of fire engines and large vehicles. The ramp proposal started as a sewer department proposal to access the beach. The Street and Fire departments commented that the ability to turn around would be helpful, so the project was co-joined. Ms. Danner asked if there was anything unique about First Street that made it important to do the cul-de-sac project. Mr. Watt said no, there are a number of substandard streets in the community and when there is a project, the Engineering Department tries to improve the situation by bringing streets up to standards. Mr. Watt said the need for the sewer department to get to the beach to maintain the sewer main is legitimate, but the ramp and the cul-de-sac were separate issues. Ms. Danner asked about the suggestion of cleaning up CBJ property and widening the street using some city property. Mr. Watt said there is a half lot that CBJ owns which has some drainage piping and a stream in it as well as a fire hydrant and power pole. They could be moved to make a modified hammerhead turnaround to allow a large vehicle to make a three point turn. He was not sure if this is more acceptable than a cul-de-sac, and in practicality, they usually get parked in, defeating the purpose of using the space for turning around. In response to Ms. Danner, Mr. Watt said that without a cul-de-sac or a hammerhead turn, there was not room to maneuver the large fire vehicles and a fire truck would need to back its way out of First Street.

Mr. Sanford said he had driven a fire truck on that street many times, and when the residents are not parked there, a turn around is possible in a driveway using a three point turn, otherwise a fire truck needs to back up approximately 800 feet. Mr. Watt said the neighborhood does not need or want a cul-de-sac; it is for the fire truck to respond quicker to the next fire call or for the street plow to turn around.

Mayor Botelho asked the dimensions of a ramp only option. Mr. Watt referred the Assembly to the drawings in the “red folder” and said the ramp would come off the side of the road and be a substantially smaller footprint than in the drawing identified as Exhibit D.

Mr. Doll said PWFC has heard this twice and we are to compare negative impacts with the need to properly and logically access and service the city’s sewer service. The sewer service is used by more people than were present at this meeting.

**MOTION**, by Doll, for the Assembly to uphold the recommendation of the PWFC committee and approve the project.

Ms. Crane said she was the dissenting vote at the PWFC meeting and if a ramp is needed, we should do that, but there is opposition to the cul-de-sac for a variety of reasons. We learned that the Engineering Department plans to go ahead with improvements at Lawson Creek as well, so if we just build a ramp, we will have met the residents halfway.
Mr. Anderson said this satisfies the issue for the sewer department, but not of the fire department.

Mr. Dybdahl asked about the time sensitivity of the issue. One of the people who testified said that the “ramp-only option” could be investigated. Mr. Watt said it was not particularly time sensitive. The sewer was built in the mid-seventies, it has not been inspected or maintained since that time, and they would like to get it on their tri-annual cycle.

Mr. Doll said it is not time sensitive, but on the other hand, the sewer may fail tomorrow, and there would be many more people inconvenienced by a failure than affected by an installation.

Mayor Botelho asked which specific areas with respect to the ramp could benefit from further discussion with the neighborhood.

Mr. Doll doubted further discussion would help. The Engineering Department will design the project to its optimum functionality and build it to the least obtrusive standards possible.

Ms. Danner said this was not an easy question, as clearly the neighbors do not want the project. However, city streets and the sewer system belong to the community and we all have a responsibility for them. As long as no one is in the way, a fire truck can maneuver, but those are uncertain odds. Ms. Danner supported going forward with staff recommendation for this project.

Roll call to support the PWFC’s recommendation to move forward with cul-de-sac and ramp:

Aye: Anderson, Danner, Doll, Sanford, Botelho
Nay: Crane, Dybdahl

Motion passed, 5 ayes, 2 nays.

Ms. Becker returned to the meeting.

B. Liaison Reports

Docks and Harbors: Liaison Danner said the Docks and Harbors heard information from Joe Geldof regarding the Storis Museum committee, which is anxious to find a place in the harbor for the ship. D&H asked for more information from the Storis committee regarding their needs. The Operations Committee determined that it is required that vessels docked in the harbors must move three times during a year. There was more discussion about Deharts and $50,000 has been set aside for additional repairs. The work to be done is makeshift at best. We asked D&H to make sure with Risk Management that the facility is not so far gone that it is uninsurable and RM was satisfied with this direction. Repairs will commence tomorrow. Seasonal staff is back now for Docks and Harbors.

School Board: Liaison Becker said the Board will meet May 10 and has approve a 6-year CIP list to be sent to the Department of Education.

Alaska Committee: Liaison Becker said plans are in the works for a booth at the Tanana Fair in Fairbanks Aug 5 – 13, and the Palmer Fair August 25 – September 5, staffed by JCVB and the Alaska Committee to share how wonderful Juneau is.
Planning Commission: Liaison Doll said the PC met April 26 and one item discussed was expansion of the PD1 Parking District along Willoughby Ave. and Egan Drive over to Capital Ave., with the idea that this area will be extensively rebuilt and this extension would ease the construction process. The next meeting is May 10.

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: Liaison Doll said the next meeting would be a retreat on Tuesday, May 3, at the Dimond Park Aquatic Facility, at 6 p.m.

Airport Board: Liaison Sanford said all projects are moving along. He suggested everyone walk the airport dike trail to see the work on the float pond. Almost all the new floatplane docks and ramps are installed. There are a few planes in the float pond but they have to sign a waiver to land in there because there are still shallow spots. It should be ready for full operation soon. There will be a dedication ceremony on Sunday, May 15, at the Airport to go through the new terminal building from 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Chamber of Commerce: Liaison Becker said the Chamber will host the “Family Friendly Awards” this Thursday, May 5 at its Noon meeting. The AEYC will have a Child Care Provider’s recognition on Thursday, May 5, from 6:30 – 8 p.m. The Blessing of the Fleet is Saturday, May 7 at 10 a.m. and the Maritime Festival at Marine Park is on Saturday, May 14.

XII. ASSEMBLY COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Mr. Anderson asked about the Storis project, and if the bill passes in congress, will the ship be given to the city or a non-profit. Mayor Botelho was not sure. Mr. Doll said a number of organizations have participated in the development of the idea. The USCG will not release the ship to anyone unless they determine they have the ability to keep the ship maintained and above water. Mr. Sanford said they are leaning towards a museum corporation. Mr. Doll said the ship could have a number of uses, including a place for coast guard reunions.

Mayor Botelho complimented the CBJ staff on the cleanliness of the streets.

XIII. CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS – None.

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION – None.

XV. ADJOURNMENT – 8:40 p.m.

Signed: ____________________________  Signed: ______________________________
Laurie Sica, Municipal Clerk  Bruce Botelho, Mayor