

**PETERSBURG BOROUGH
NOTICE OF EXISTING WATER & WASTEWATER UTILITY INDEBTEDNESS
AS OF AUGUST 1, 2024**

Pursuant to Petersburg Borough Charter Section 13.02, the Petersburg Borough publishes the following notice:

Pursuant to Assembly Ordinance #2024-13, a proposition will be on the ballot at the October 1, 2024 municipal election, that would authorize the Borough to incur long-term indebtedness, in an amount not to exceed \$19.3 million, for water and wastewater infrastructure projects. The indebtedness would be the obligation of the water and wastewater utility only, and be paid from utility revenues. The indebtedness will be incurred by application for separate, project-specific loans to be issued through the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) municipal loan program, each application separately approved by the Assembly, with terms not to exceed 20 years and a current annual interest rate of approximately one and one-half percent (1.5%). The annual debt service payment will be dependent on the loan amount and term.



The following is a listing of the existing indebtedness payable from the revenues of the water and wastewater utility.

	<i>Maturity Date</i>	<i>Principal Outstanding as of 8/1/2024</i>		<i>Current Annual Debt Service (principal and interest)</i>
ADEC Loans				
Water Treatment Plant #685051	August 1, 2028	\$ 295,798	Paid by Utility Rates	\$ 76,743
Water Treatment Plant Ph. III, #685241	August 1, 2034	\$ 119,683	Paid by Utility Rates	\$ 12,978
Water Upgrades #685251	August 1, 2034	\$ 345,099	Paid by Utility Rates	\$ 37,421
Wastewater Upgrades #685211	August 1, 2034	\$ 293,624	Paid by Utility Rates	\$ 31,839
Wastewater Pumpstation 5 #685221	August 1, 2034	\$ 373,945	Paid by Utility Rates	\$ 40,781
Wastewater Pumpstation 1 #685261	November 28, 2037	\$ 474,626	Paid by Utility Rates	\$ 37,804
WW Scow Bay 1 Pumpstation #685271	TBD	\$ 483,736	Paid by Utility Rates	TBD
Kiseno Street Sewer #685291	August 1, 2043	\$ 153,085	Paid by Utility Rates	\$ 16,540
Pumpstation #4 685301	Ongoing	\$ 234,968	Authorized up to \$3,337,177.	TBD
	Total	\$ 2,774,564		

Jody Tow, Finance Director
Debra Thompson, Borough Clerk
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**NOTICE OF REGULAR ELECTION
Petersburg Borough
OCTOBER 1, 2024 MUNICIPAL ELECTION**

NOTICE IS GIVEN that on Tuesday, October 1, 2024, there will be a Regular Election for the Petersburg Borough, Alaska, for the purpose of electing:

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| Two Assembly members | Two Harbors & Ports Advisory Board members |
| Two School Board members | Two Library Advisory Board members |
| Two Hospital Board members | One Parks & Recreation Advisory Board member |
| Two Planning Commission members | One Public Safety Advisory Board member |

The ballot will also include four ballot propositions for all Borough voters as follows:

Proposition #1
General Obligation Bonds Public School Capital Improvements
(Assembly Ordinance #2024-12)

Shall the Petersburg Borough incur long-term indebtedness, and issue up to the principal amount not to exceed Three Million Five Hundred Thousand dollars (\$3,500,000) of general obligation bonds?

Proceeds of the general obligation bonds will be used to finance costs of major maintenance to areawide public school facilities including roof replacement/repair at both the Mitkof Middle School and Petersburg High School, security and safety features and upgrades to the Borough's public schools and related capital improvements, and also includes paying incidental costs incurred in connection with carrying out and financing such improvements and costs incidental to the issuance of the bonds.

The indebtedness would be in the form of general obligation bonds, payable from ad valorem taxes levied on all taxable property located within the Borough. The Borough will pledge its full faith and credit for repayment of the indebtedness.

Voter approval of this bond proposition authorizes for each \$100,000 of assessed taxable real and personal property value in the Borough (based on the estimated FY 2025 areawide assessed valuation) an annual increase in taxes of approximately \$62.00 to retire the proposed bonds.

Proposition No. 1 Yes
 No

Proposition #2
Increasing the Maximum Sales Tax that can be Collected on a Single Purchase of Goods or Services from \$72 to \$300.
(Assembly Ordinance #2024-10)

Shall Paragraphs D and E of Section 4.28.120, Exemptions, of the Borough Code be amended to increase the maximum sales tax that can be collected on a single purchase of goods or services from \$72 to \$300?

This change would affect only transactions over \$1,200. If this proposition is approved, the maximum amount of a transaction that is subject to the Borough's 6% sales tax would increase from \$1,200 to \$5,000, thus increasing the maximum sales tax due from \$72 to \$300.

The Assembly proposes this sales tax modification to help offset an increase to future property taxes.

Proposition No. 2 Yes
 No

Proposition #3
Increasing the Transient Room Tax Rate to Seven Percent (7%)
(Assembly Ordinance #2024-07)

The Petersburg Borough currently levies a four percent (4%) tax on transient hotel room rentals, defined as a person staying in a hotel, motel or other lodging for fewer than 30 days. This rate has been in place since October of 1997. Under the Borough Code (PMC 4.33.060), these tax revenues are used for visitor-related marketing and support of visitor-related Borough infrastructure and services. This proposition, if approved by the voters, would increase the transient room tax rate to seven percent (7%) and is projected to generate an additional \$53,000 in Borough tax revenue.

Shall the Borough increase the transient room tax rate to seven percent (7%)?

Proposition No. 3 Yes
 No

Proposition #4
Authorization to Incur Long-Term Indebtedness through ADEC Loans for Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Capital Projects
(Assembly Ordinance #2024-13)

Shall the Petersburg Borough be authorized to incur long-term indebtedness, in a total principal amount not to exceed Nineteen Million Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$19,300,000), for the purposes of permitting, designing and constructing capital projects of the water and wastewater enterprises?

This indebtedness would be a revenue obligation of the water and wastewater enterprises only. The indebtedness would be in the form of loans from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC), with a term not to exceed 20 years, and with an anticipated annual interest rate of 1.5% or as otherwise established under the ADEC Municipal Loan Program.

Any authorization approved hereunder by the voters shall expire on December 31, 2030 as to any indebtedness not incurred on or before that date.

Proposition No. 4 Yes
 No

**The polls for the election will be open 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on October 1, 2024.
The polling place for the election is the Activity Room of the Community Center.**

Voter Qualifications

- To vote in this election, you must:
- 1) Be a United States citizen qualified to vote in the State of Alaska elections and registered to vote in the State of Alaska;
 - 2) At least eighteen (18) years of age;
 - 3) A resident of the Petersburg Borough for at least thirty (30) days preceding the election; and
 - 4) Not disqualified under Article V of the State of Alaska Constitution as recited in Section 2.08.030.

Absentee Voting

Any qualified elector who is absent or expects to be absent from the Borough, or who will be unable to go to the polling place for reasons of physical disability on the day of the Election, may vote by absentee ballot.

Absentee ballots will be available in the Training Room of the Municipal Building, 12 S. Nordic Drive, beginning Wednesday, September 11, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Voters may vote by absentee ballot at the Municipal Building through twelve noon (12:00 p.m.), Monday, September 30, 2024.

Voters wishing to receive an absentee ballot by mail must make request for an absentee ballot to the Clerk's office no later than 4:30 p.m., Thursday, September 25, 2024.

Debra K. Thompson, Borough Clerk

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**State of Alaska
Department of Natural Resources
Division of Forestry & Fire Protection
East Charley Timber Sale**

Notice of Timber Sale under AS 38.05.945 & AS 38.05.035(e). The State of Alaska, represented by the Alaska State Forester of the Department of Natural Resources, does hereby notify that the Division of Forestry & Fire Protection (DOF) is offering the following commercial timber sale for competitive sealed bid: East Charley (SSE-1386-K).

The DOF is offering the State timber sold under AS 38.05.120 as described and represented by the East Charley Timber Sale Forest Land Use Plan.

The East Charley Timber Sale is located within the Southeast State Forest and Habitat Classified land on Kosciusko Island, near Edna Bay, Alaska. The sale is located on the south side of Kosciusko Island with limited road access. The sale includes approximately 201 acres in three harvest units composed primarily of young growth timber with residual old growth dispersed in the units. The saw-timber proposed for harvest is Sitka spruce, western hemlock, and western redcedar. The estimated #3 sawlogs and better within the sale are composed of 7,243 MBF of saw timber. Another 949 MBF of #4 sawlogs and (net) utility grade wood is estimated in the harvest units. Removal of the #4 sawlogs and utility grade logs is optional.

The term of the contract is three years. The purchaser is required to deposit a performance bond with the State for an amount of \$100,000.00 at the time of signing the contract.

The Alaska Department of Natural Resources hereby gives notice that it is in the best interest of the State to offer this timber sale by a competitive sealed bid process. To qualify bidders must, prior to the bid opening, not be in breach of any prior timber sale contract, and must submit a copy of their current Alaska Business License. The Business License copy may accompany the sealed bid. The sealed bid shall be on forms provided by the Division of Forestry, marked on the outside of the envelope with the timber sale name and number, addressed to the Southeast Area Office, 2417 Tongass Avenue, Suite 213 Ketchikan, Alaska 99901 and will be accepted until **2:00 P.M.** prevailing time, **September 16, 2024**. Sealed bids may also be presented in person to the Southeast Area Forester before the bid opening. All bids must be in the physical possession of the Southeast Area Forester before the bid opening. Bidders are responsible for ensuring their complete bid package is delivered on time.

For a bid to qualify, prospective bidders will be required to submit a 5% bid deposit of the total bid value. The State reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Unless all bids are rejected, the sale will be awarded to the responsible qualified bidder offering the highest total bid value for the timber on the sale. The State also reserves the right to waive technical defects in this advertisement in the best interest of the State. The **minimum acceptable total bid price** for the timber is **\$138,265.00**.

If bidding as an agent for an individual, partnership, or corporation, the agent must submit with the bid a notarized power-of-attorney authorizing such agency. No agent may represent more than one principal, or bid in competition with the agent's principal.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Alaska Division of Forestry & Fire Protection 2417 Tongass Avenue, Suite 213 Ketchikan, AK 99901	Contact: Greg Staunton Phone: (907) 225-3070 Email: greg.staunton@alaska.gov
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Copies of the prospectus are available for review at the Division's Area Office in Ketchikan and on the State Online Public Notice System at: <http://notice.alaska.gov/216405>.

The State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry & Fire Protection, complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Individuals with disabilities who may need help with bidding should contact the Division of Forestry at 907-225-3070 to make any necessary arrangements.

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Petersburg Volunteer Fire Department is looking for VOLUNTEERS

Contact Jim Stolpe,
Volunteer Fire Chief
907.772.3355,
firechief1@petersburgak.gov

Keep Garbage Secured

Bear activity in town is picking up and incidents of bears getting into garbage have been reported. Public Works would like to remind all Sanitation customers to keep garbage securely stored – preferably indoors – until the morning of collection day. If garbage cannot be stored indoors and must be stored in the garbage can, a rope or strap should be used to keep the lid of the refuse container securely closed. The lid should then be untied on the morning of garbage pickup day to allow it to be emptied by the Borough's automated collection truck.

Failure to keep garbage properly secured may result in citations and fines as described in Section 14.12.080 of the Petersburg Municipal Code.

Please contact Public Works at 907-772-4430 with any questions.

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**PETERSBURG BOROUGH
NOTICE OF EXISTING GENERAL OBLIGATION INDEBTEDNESS
AS OF AUGUST 1, 2024**

Pursuant to Petersburg Borough Charter Section 13.02, the Petersburg Borough publishes the following notice:

Pursuant to Assembly Ordinance #2024-12, a proposition will be on the ballot at the October 1, 2024 municipal election that would authorize the Borough to incur long-term indebtedness through the issuance of general obligation bonds, in an amount not to exceed \$3.5 million, for school district infrastructure projects. The indebtedness would be an areawide general obligation of the Petersburg Borough. The term of the indebtedness would be later determined by approval of the Assembly; assuming a term of 20 years and an anticipated interest rate of four percent (4%) per annum, the estimated annual debt service would equal \$257,536. The current total assessed valuation of real property within the Borough is \$420,815,339.



The following is a listing of the current total general obligation indebtedness of the Borough, and the total amount of current annual debt service payable with respect to those outstanding bonds.

	<i>Maturity Date</i>	<i>Principal Outstanding as of 8/1/2024</i>		<i>Current Annual Debt Service (principal and interest)</i>
Petersburg Borough GO Bond Debt				
School Deferred Maintenance	September 1, 2024	\$ 240,000	70% State reimbursement	\$ 246,000
Aquatic Center #2 and Voc. Ed. Building	October 1, 2025	\$ 760,000	60% State reimbursement	\$ 398,750
Aquatic Center #3	December 1, 2026	\$ 225,000	60% State reimbursement	\$ 79,500
Library	July 1, 2027	\$ 290,000		\$ 104,650
Electric	March 1, 2030	\$ 1,055,000		\$ 174,625
	Total GO Bonds	\$ 2,570,000	Annual Payment	\$ 1,003,525

Jody Tow, Finance Director
Debra Thompson, Borough Clerk
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**PUBLIC NOTICE
PETERSBURG BOROUGH
ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE #2024-12**

Ordinance #2024-12, an Ordinance Providing for the Submission to the Qualified Voters of Petersburg Borough the Question of the Issuance of Not-to-Exceed Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,500,000) of General Obligation Bonds, to Pay Costs of Public School Capital Improvements in the Borough at the Regular Election Held on October 1, 2024, has been adopted by the Borough Assembly. Provisions of the ordinance take effect immediately, with the indebtedness contemplated effective only if approved by the voters at the October 1, 2024, municipal election.

A copy of the ordinance is posted at the municipal offices at 12 S. Nordic Drive, the US Post Office, the City of Kupreanof, the Library, and the Municipal Harbor office for review during normal office hours.



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**PUBLIC NOTICE
PETERSBURG BOROUGH
ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE #2024-13**

Ordinance #2024-13, an Ordinance Authorizing Long Term Indebtedness in an Amount Not to Exceed \$19.3 Million for the Design and Construction of Water and Wastewater Infrastructure in the Borough and Directing that this Matter be Submitted to the Voters for Consideration at the Next Regular Election to be Held on October 1, 2024, has been adopted by the Borough Assembly. Provisions of the ordinance take effect immediately upon certification of the October 1, 2024 municipal election, provided the proposition is approved by the voters.

A copy of the ordinance is posted at the municipal offices at 12 S. Nordic Drive, the US Post Office, the City of Kupreanof, the Library, and the Municipal Harbor office for review during normal office hours.



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**Public Notice
Important Notice Regarding
Mayfest Rotary Sandy Beach BBQ
Credit Card Charges**

Dear Guests,
We want to inform you about a recent issue with credit card transactions from the Rotary Mayfest Sandy Beach BBQ. Due to an oversight, charges for meals were not processed after the event as they should have been.

We have now resolved the issue and your charges will appear on your next credit card statements.

If you have any questions or concerns about these charges, please don't hesitate to reach out to us at 907-518-1199.

The Petersburg Rotary Club sincerely apologizes for any confusion this may have caused and appreciates your understanding.

Thank you for your support.



**PUBLIC NOTICE
Petersburg Borough
Voter Qualifications and Last Day to Register
for October 1, 2024 Municipal Election**

Voter qualifications for the Petersburg Borough October 1, 2024 Municipal Election are as follows:

1. A United States citizen
2. Registered and qualified to vote in the State of Alaska elections and registered at least thirty days immediately preceding the municipal election;
3. At least eighteen (18) years of age;
4. A resident of the Petersburg Borough for thirty (30) days preceding the election;
5. Not disqualified by reason of having been convicted of a felony involving moral turpitude, and if so, that civil rights have been restored.

The last day to register and qualify for the October 1, 2024 Municipal Election is Sunday, September 1, 2024. Voter registration forms are available at the front desk of the Borough Administration/Finance office, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



Debra K. Thompson
Borough Clerk

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Directors of the Southeast Alaska Power Agency (SEAPA) will hold a regular board meeting on August 28, 2024 from 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. and on August 29, 2024 from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the Petersburg Assembly Chambers in Petersburg, Alaska. For additional information, please call 907.228.2281.

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