

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

TO: Mayor Tutiakoff
City Council Members

FROM: William Homka, City Manager

DATE: May 23, 2023

- **City Council Directives:**

- Amendment to Community Support Grant policies to permit the Q-Tribe application for Q Camp support. I plan to bring something to Council on June 27.
- Site control for IFHS Clinic. I plan to report to Council on June 27.

- **Fire Department Certification:** During a comprehensive review of the department, Interim Chief Knowles discovered the department's registration was out of compliance with the State of Alaska. Registration effects both insurance and grant funding. Mandatory reporting was not completed correctly or in a timely fashion by previous administration. All missing information and reports have now been entered appropriately (approx. 180 missing calls) and submitted to the state. On May 11 the certification of registration was issued and the department was back in compliance.
- **Japanese Training Squadron:** Two ships are scheduled to arrive June 5 and will depart June 8. Ports is working with Political Affairs and the Japanese Consular Office in Anchorage.
- **Trilateral:** Signed a new trilateral agreement with OC and Q-Tribe at the Library on Wednesday May 10, 2023.
- **Chris Hladick:** Planning for Chris' visit sometime in June. Perhaps the week of June 12 so he is available for the June 13 City Council meeting.
- **Fire Chief:** Ben Knowles has been promoted from Captain to Fire Chief. His first day officially begins June 1, 2023.
- **Staffing Update:** We are making progress on filling positions, but there are still 19 positions that are either vacant or have employees serving on acting status.

Department	Openings
Utilities	4 (not including line crew)
Public Works	4 (3 currently filled with acting)
Administration	2 (ACM, Admin Ass. II)
Fire	1
Finance	2 (currently filled with acting)
Planning	2
CMO	0
Clerks	0
Ports	0
PCR	1
Police	3 (chief, officer, investigator)
TOTAL	19 Openings