



Petersburg Borough

Meeting Agenda

Borough Assembly

Regular Meeting

12 South Nordic Drive
Petersburg, AK 99833

**Monday, September 21,
2026**

6:00 PM

Assembly Chambers

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Topic: Regular Assembly Meeting

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- 1. Call To Order/Roll Call**
- 2. Voluntary Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3. Approval of Minutes**
 - A. Regular Assembly Meeting Minutes September 8, 2026**
- 4. Amendment and Approval of Meeting Agenda**
- 5. Public Hearings**
 - A. Ordinance #2026-19: An Ordinance of the Petersburg Borough Assembly Repealing Chapter 9.36, Violation -- Penalty, From the Municipal Code to Reflect Borough Incorporation**

Any public testimony regarding Ordinance #2026-19 should be given during this public hearing. A copy of Ordinance #2026-19 may be found under agenda item 14A.

B. Ordinance #2026-20: Assembly Repealing Chapter 9.08, Food Sanitation, From the Municipal Code to Reflect Borough Incorporation

Any public testimony regarding Ordinance #2026-20 should be given during this public hearing. A copy of Ordinance #2026-20 may be found under agenda item 14B.

C. Ordinance #2026-21: An Ordinance of the Petersburg Borough Adjusting the FY 2027 Budget for Known Changes

Any public testimony regarding Ordinance #2026-21 should be given during this public hearing. A copy of Ordinance #2026-21 may be found under agenda item 14C.

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

11. Report of Other Officers

12. Mayor's Report

A. Mayor's Report September 21, 2026

13. Manager's Report

A. Manager's Report September 21, 2026

14. Unfinished Business

A. Ordinance #2026-19: An Ordinance of the Petersburg Borough Assembly Repealing Chapter 9.36, Violation -- Penalty, From the Municipal Code to Reflect Borough Incorporation - Second Reading

This ordinance repeals Chapter 9.36, *Violation – Penalty*, of the former City of Petersburg Code. The chapter contains a penalty provision related to interference with the health officer and violations of certain health and safety provisions.

The ordinance removes this outdated provision because the applicable enforcement and penalty provisions are now addressed in Chapter 9.04 of the Petersburg Municipal Code.

Ordinance #2026-19 was unanimously approved in its first reading.

B. Ordinance #2026-20: Assembly Repealing Chapter 9.08, Food Sanitation, From the Municipal Code to Reflect Borough Incorporation - Second Reading

If approved in three readings, this ordinance would repeal Chapter 9.08, *Food Sanitation*, of the former City of Petersburg Code. The chapter remained in effect following Borough incorporation under Charter Section 19.06 but is no longer necessary because food sanitation matters are regulated and enforced under applicable State of Alaska laws.

The ordinance removes the outdated former City provisions from the Petersburg Municipal Code and updates the Code to reflect current Borough and State regulatory authority.

Ordinance #2026-20 was unanimously approved in its first reading.

C. Ordinance #2026-21: An Ordinance of the Petersburg Borough Adjusting the FY 2027 Budget for Known Changes - Second Reading

If approved in three readings, Ordinance #2026-21 will amend the FY 2027 Budget to reflect known changes in revenues, expenditures, transfers, grants, loans, and project funding.

Ordinance #2026-21 was unanimously approved in its first reading. The proposed amendments include adjustments related to the following:

Harbor C Float Project: Addition of a \$125,000 State of Alaska Legislative Grant and corresponding port facility expenditures.

Sanitation – Hazmat: Increase of \$9,000 for Hazmat event disposal expenses that exceeded the budgeted amount.

Wastewater Disinfection and Industrial Pretreatment Studies: Addition of \$300,000 in State Revolving Fund loan revenue and corresponding expenditures for required wastewater studies.

Aquatic Center Capital Project: Addition of \$541,546 in State of Alaska School Major Maintenance Grant funding and corresponding construction expenditures, with the reimbursement retained in the Aquatic Center Capital Project Fund for future facility expenses.

Municipal Building Heat Pump and HVAC: Increase of \$40,657 for heat pump repair and HVAC duct system cleaning.

Electric Grid Resiliency Project: Adjustments to project transfers and professional services funding, including the closeout of the Auto Control Project.

Standby Diesel Generator Project: Increase of \$800,000 in budgeted revenue bond proceeds to reflect the actual bond issuance.

Elderly Housing: Addition of \$20,000 for replacement of two walk-in cooler condenser units.

Fire Department: Increase of \$301,327 for Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) tanks and masks previously approved but invoiced in FY 2027.

Parks and Recreation: Increase of \$5,500 for the purchase of a Genie 2632 scissor lift to assist with maintenance and to be available for use by other Borough departments.

Proposed Amendment from Public Works Director Marohl: Director Marohl has submitted a memo providing additional information regarding a proposed amendment to the supplemental budget ordinance. The amendment would provide funding for the Gjoa Street Sewer Line Replacement Project.

Suggested Motion: *I move to amend the supplemental budget ordinance by increasing the Wastewater Fund by \$150,000 to fund the Gjoa Street Sewer Line Replacement Project.*

15. New Business

A. Resolution #2026-30: A Resolution Of The Assembly Of The Petersburg Borough Approving A Project Agreement With The State Of Alaska Department Of Education And Early Development For The Petersburg Aquatic Center Sewer Line Repair Project

If passed, this resolution will allow the Borough to enter into a Project Agreement with the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development and receive up to \$541,546 in grant funding for the Petersburg Aquatic Center Sewer Line Repair project. The funding will support replacement of failed sanitary sewer piping and related repairs and restoration, with the required \$291,602 participating share already appropriated by the Borough. The project agreement is attached to the agenda item.

B. Authorization of Sole Source Professional Services Contract with HDR Engineering, Inc. for Wastewater Industrial Pretreatment Study

The Public Works Department recommends that the Petersburg Borough Assembly authorize the Borough Manager to negotiate and execute a sole source professional services contract with HDR Engineering, Inc. for the Wastewater Industrial Pretreatment Study in an amount not to exceed \$88,789. The Borough issued an RFP on July 23, 2026, but received no proposals. Additional information regarding the procurement process, justification for the sole source award, and funding is provided in the attached memo from the Public Works Department.

C. Planning Commission Recommendation for Initiation of a Temporary Data Center Moratorium in Service Area 1

The Assembly will consider a recommendation from the Petersburg Borough Planning Commission to initiate a temporary moratorium on the acceptance and processing of land use applications and building permits for data centers in Service Area 1 while land use standards for the use are developed and adopted. The Planning Commission's memorandum is attached.

16. Communications

A. Communications Received Since September 3, 2026

17. Assembly Discussion Items

A. Community Outreach – Sales Tax Exemption Ballot Initiative

This agenda item requested by Member Meucci.

The Assembly will discuss options for public information regarding the upcoming sales tax exemption ballot initiative.

B. Fire Department Training Props – Relocation

This agenda item requested by Member Meucci.

C. Chamber of Commerce Storage Van Update – Scow Bay

This agenda item requested by Member Meucci.

D. American Cruise Lines Dock Project

This agenda item requested by Member Meucci.

E. Tsunami Risk Assessment Study

This agenda item requested by Member Meucci.

F. Assembly Member Comments

G. Recognitions

18. Executive Session

A. Executive Session - PMEA Wage Negotiations: Pursuant to Alaska Statute 44.62.310, upon motion of the Assembly, the assembly will convene in executive session to discuss the status of wage negotiations regarding the labor agreement between the Borough and PMEA.

Suggested Motion: I move that the Assembly convene in executive session pursuant to AS 44.62.310 to discuss the status of wage negotiations regarding the labor agreement between the Borough and PMEA.

19. Adjourn