

Deputy Manager's Update – January 4, 2024

Out of Office: Manager Ryan will be back in the office beginning Tuesday, January 9. I will be leaving on the ferry the afternoon of Friday, January 5, but will be available by phone and email through the weekend. I return to the office on Monday, January 22.

FY23 PIDP Grant Debrief: As you know, the Municipality of Skagway was not awarded the FY23 Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP) grant through the federal Maritime Administration (MARAD), for an Industrial Cargo Transfer Bridge project at the Ore Dock. Staff met on January 2 with MARAD representatives for a debrief on the MOS application. The MOS application made it through the technical and senior reviews but was not selected by the Secretary of Transportation for award. Overall, we were told that our application was well-written, the appendices were great, and the application was very competitive. MOS scored medium and high in most evaluation categories, but needed to better articulate the safety, efficiency, and reliability of the project in light of federal administration priorities. The MOS application ranked very well for economic vitality, readiness of project, and environmental readiness. We gleaned a lot of great information we will use to update our application for the FY24 grant process, which is due to begin in February.

2030 Comprehensive Plan Progress Review: Municipal departments have reviewed the 2030 Comprehensive Plan Action Plan to determine progress as of January 1 on all items. Administration hopes that this exercise will help focus efforts on addressing items the Action Plan in effective ways, always keeping these community goals in mind when implementing policy and developing projects. Once fully compiled, I will share the Action Plan progress document with the Mayor and Assembly.

Recreation Director's Update: The Rec Center rang in the New Year with fun and creativity! On December 30th, community members joined a free crafting event where they created "Vision Boards" of what they wanted their new year to look like. Participants shared laughs and stories over coffee, tea and lots of hot cocoa. With the school's winter break coming to a close, The SRC hosted one last winter bash to keep the kids sane before they returned to school. Also, a free event, the "Cabin-Fever party" on January 4th featured laser tag, rock climbing, and crafting creations.

Police Chief's Update: An update for the 911 Emergency Call Works (ECW) Motorola Solutions. As stated at the last assembly meeting, I was able to replace the battery in the battery back up for the ECW computer in the server room. After doing this we have not experienced any outages in the system. I confirmed with Dispatch Supervisor Willeke Van den Hoorn that we had not experienced any power outages at the times of the ECW phone outages. Motorola stated that the engineers will continue to monitor the system moving forward.

I received an Email from Articom stating that the Zetron Prices for the dispatch upgrade quote would increase as of January 1st 2024. I have included the letter from the Zetron Manufacturing

company (attached). This would be the upgrade to the dispatch and add an additional console as laid out in the Audit.

We still have an opening for an officer and a dispatcher at this time. Recruitment will continue to be the struggle with the amount of jobs open around the state and the lack of housing.

December 21, 2023

Dear Zetron Partner:

This message is to notify you of upcoming price changes on Zetron products. Recent market conditions and increasing global supply chain costs require us to periodically make adjustments to our end user pricing.

Effective January 1, 2024, Zetron will be increasing the pricing of previously quoted Command and Control products by 5% to 10%, depending on model. Current pricing will remain valid for orders received through the end of business on Friday, **December 29, 2023**. Command and Control quotes will be updated after January 1, 2024 to reflect this pricing adjustment.

If you have any questions, please send them to your Zetron Sales Representative. We thank you for your ongoing loyalty and business and look forward to working together in the new year.

Best Regards,



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