

CITY NEWSLETTER

City of Gustavus

March 24, 2025

Dear Community Members,

MEETINGS

Policy (Endowment fund) Advisory Committee Work Session - 03/26/2025 at 4pm at City Hall all are welcome to join in person or via zoom. [03-26-2025_pacwsmeetingnotice.pdf](#)

City Council Work Session - 04/07/2025 at 6pm at City Hall all are welcome to join in person or via zoom. Agenda and Packet will be posted 5 days prior.

City Council General Meeting— 04/14/2025 at 7pm at City Hall all are welcome to join in person or via zoom. Agenda and Packet will be posted 5 days prior.

City Council Special Budget Townhall - 04/16/2025 at 6pm at City Hall all are welcome to join in person or via zoom. Agenda and Packet will be posted 5 days prior. This meeting is to hear from you're the public about the City's budget for fiscal year 2026 (fiscal year starts July 1st, 2025—June 30th, 2026)

XUNAA BOROUGH UPDATE

The City Council met in executive session with attorney Megan Costello to further discuss litigation strategies to continue to pursue legal options through Alaska Superior Court. The options considered were 1) Do nothing 2) Join with other communities that may be making an appeal or 3) file an amicus brief in support of any other communities that file an appeal.

Following our discussion in executive session, a motion was made to direct our attorney to join other communities filing an appeal of the LBC decision to approve the Xunaa Borough petition to the Alaska Superior Court.

On March 20th, the LBC met and adopted the final written decision, voting 3-2 in favor of approving the Xunaa Borough. We have 30 days from that date to file our joint appeal to the Superior Court.

Information can be found on the Local Boundary Commission website:

[2023 City of Hoonah for Incorporation of The Xunaa Borough as a Home Rule Borough, and Dissolution of The City of Hoonah Petition](#)

[Public Meetings, Local Boundary Commission, Division of Community and Regional Affairs](#)

OTHER UPDATES

The Juneau Community Foundation is seeking applications for the Friends of Gustavus Fund grant. For more information [REQUEST FOR FUNDING](#) or [Friends of Gustavus Fund - Juneau Community Foundation](#)

Gustavus Beach Meadows Art Show and Contest - Submissions due April 1st, 2025 [Gustavus Beach Meadows Art Show and Photo Contest | City of Gustavus Alaska Art Show Opens 5:00 May 2nd, and Awards Ceremony 5:00 May 16th](#)

Stay safe and have a great week.



CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Sally McLaughlin—Mayor
Shelley Owens—Vice Mayor
Susan Warner
Rachel Patrick
Lucas Beck
Mike Taylor
James Kearns

CITY HALL STAFF

City Administrator— Kathy Leary
City Treasurer—Ben Sadler
City Clerk—Liesl Barker

DEPARTMENT HOURS

City Hall— Monday through Thursday 9am-3pm 907.697.2451

Library— Tuesday 9a-4p
Wednesday 12p-7p
Thursday—Saturday 12p-4 p
907.697.2350

DRC— Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday
11a-3p 907.697.2118

Community Chest— Wednesday 11a-1p and
Saturday 11a-2p

GVFD—24/7 and only a phone call away
(911)