

# CITY OF HOMER NEWSLETTER



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## WHAT'S INSIDE?

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

### ELECTION DAY IS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2023

Polling places for the City of Homer and Kenai Peninsula Borough regular election will be open 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the following locations:

**Homer No. 1, 06-230:** City Hall Cowles Council Chambers, downstairs in the City Hall Building located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue. Entrance is located off Kachemak Way, towards the rear of the facility.

**Homer No. 2, 06-240:** Homer Methodist Church located at 770 East End Road.

#### Where's The Voter Pamphlet?

The Kenai Peninsula Borough is no longer automatically mailing voter pamphlets. It is published on the Borough's election webpage [kpb.us/voterpamphlet](http://kpb.us/voterpamphlet).

Printed copies are available at the Clerk's Office at Homer City Hall and the Borough Annex Office at 638 East Pioneer Avenue. KPB Annex office hours are 8 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday.

**Questions?** Contact the City Clerk's Office at (907) 235-3130 or email [clerk@cityofhomer-ak.gov](mailto:clerk@cityofhomer-ak.gov)



#### Helpful Links:

- [How to Vote Absentee by Mail or In-Person](#)
- [Check Your Voter Status & Find Your Polling Location](#)
- [View the Voter Pamphlet for Sample Ballots & Candidate Info](#)
- [City of Homer 2023 Candidacy Filing](#)

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Discover something new today and see the latest City project updates information! Learn about ways community members can get involved at City Hall and in the Homer community.

### Follow us on Social Media

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- Parks & Recreation: [@homerparksandrec](#)
- Homer Public Library: [@homerpubliclibrary](#)
- Homer Police: [@homerpolice](#)
- Fire Department: [@HomerVolFireDept](#)

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[www.cityofhomer-ak.gov/citymanager/monthly-email-newsletter](http://www.cityofhomer-ak.gov/citymanager/monthly-email-newsletter)



# LIBRARY EVENTS

## VIRTUAL AUTHOR TALKS

Zoom in and listen to your favorite authors talk about their latest books. For a complete list of Upcoming Speakers, go to [library.org/homerlibrary/upcoming](http://library.org/homerlibrary/upcoming).



**October 10 at noon**  
European Travel Tips & Tools  
with Guidebook Author Rick Steves

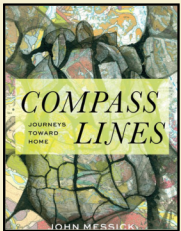


**October 18 at 10 am**  
Master of Suspense:  
An author talk with Ruth Ware



**October 26 at 3 pm**  
A Lifetime of Writing: A Conversation  
with International Bestselling Author  
John Irving

## SPECIAL & ONGOING EVENTS



**October 6 at 6:00 pm**  
Visit by John Messick,  
author of Compass Lines



**October 26 at 6:30 pm**  
Visit by local writer Robert  
Stark, author of Warflower



**Councilmember Conversations**  
Noon to 1 pm, the second Tuesday of  
each month, September - May, at the  
Homer Public Library.

**October 10: Donna Aderhold**

CHECK OUT MORE LIBRARY  
PROGRAMS AND EVENTS



**Homer Public Library**  
500 Hazel Street - 907-235-3180  
[circ@ci.homer.ak.us](mailto:circ@ci.homer.ak.us)  
[www.cityofhomer-ak.gov/library](http://www.cityofhomer-ak.gov/library)



# COMMUNITY CORNER

What's happening around the City of Homer



**SOUTH PENINSULA HOSPITAL'S  
WELLNESS WEDNESDAYS RETURN IN OCTOBER!**



5:00 - 5:15 PM: TASTY SNACKS AND SETTLING IN  
5:15 PM - 5:45 PM: BITE SIZED HEALTH EDUCATION  
6:00 - 7:00 PM: YOGA  
**FREE**

## SAFESITTER COURSE



Safe Sitter teaches young teens important safety skills, how to handle emergencies, how to treat illnesses and injuries, CPR basics, business skills, how to screen jobs, set a wage, and more.

- **Date**  
October 13 & 14
- **Time**  
9 am to 2:30 pm
- **Age**  
Grades 6 through 8
- **Location**  
South Peninsula Hospital
- **Fee**  
\$50 - scholarships available
- **Info & Registration**  
[wellness@sphosp.org](mailto:wellness@sphosp.org)  
(907)235-0285



# PUBLIC WORKS

## STATE OF AK DOT AND PUBLIC WORKS RESPOND TO EAST END ROAD FLOOD EVENT

Heavy rain last week caused a flash flood in a steep canyon just west of the new Meadows Subdivision in Kachemak City. The flood waters undermined the steep slopes of the drainage and swept mud and debris-laden water downstream over East End Road and into commercial areas downstream, temporarily closing the road and nearby businesses.

The Alaska Department of Transportation responded with equipment to clear the road and open the ditches, and while doing so inadvertently sheared off the top of a City of Homer manhole. This left a 24” opening through which mud and debris poured for many hours, spiking flows to Homer’s Waste Water Treatment Plant with over 500,000 gallons of cold, muddy water.

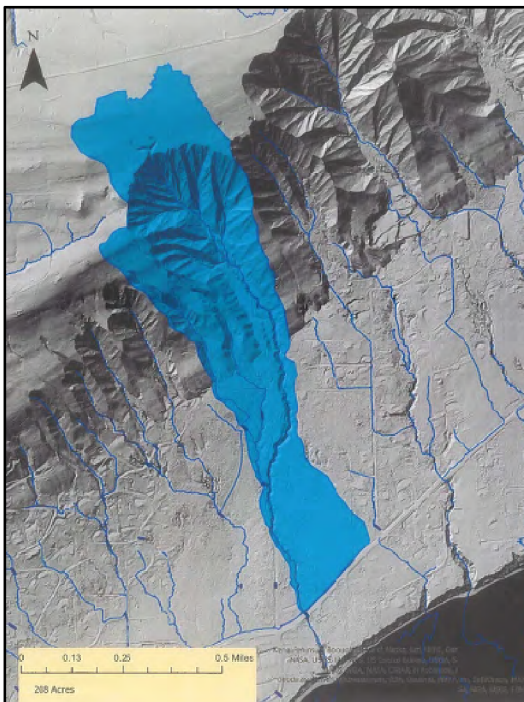
This extra inflow placed heavy demand on Homer’s waste water facility. Public Works staff responded with the Vector Truck to pump out the manhole, clear debris, and repair the damaged section of pipe.



*Traffic passing through the flooded section of East End Road at Kachemak Drive.*

In an effort to restore road access as quickly

as possible, the City allowed DOT to deposit the ditch spoils onto the Public Works’ ditch spoil yard on East End Road, which the State will remove to not overload the yard’s limited capacity.



**How did this happen?** The graphic (at left) shows the stream’s substantial natural drainage area. Over time, water movement has eroded the slope, which now, in long stretches, is about 75 feet deep and 100 feet wide. The recent heavy rains continued the steep slope scouring, taking mud and debris with it as it rushed downstream. The diversion of smaller streams (away from developments and into the main channel) adds even more water to the main channel before it crosses East End Road, likely exacerbating the situation. It is also quite likely the culvert at East End Road is undersized for larger flood events.

**Why does this matter to Homer?** First, it’s a clear example the importance of working closely with the State to encourage stormwater management and proper road maintenance, as actions upstream can adversely affect City of Homer utilities, residences and businesses. Further, this situation (where upstream development has the ability to adversely affect downstream properties) exists in other drainages in Homer. As we address this situation in the near future, it’s good to have this real life example of the importance of effective storm water management



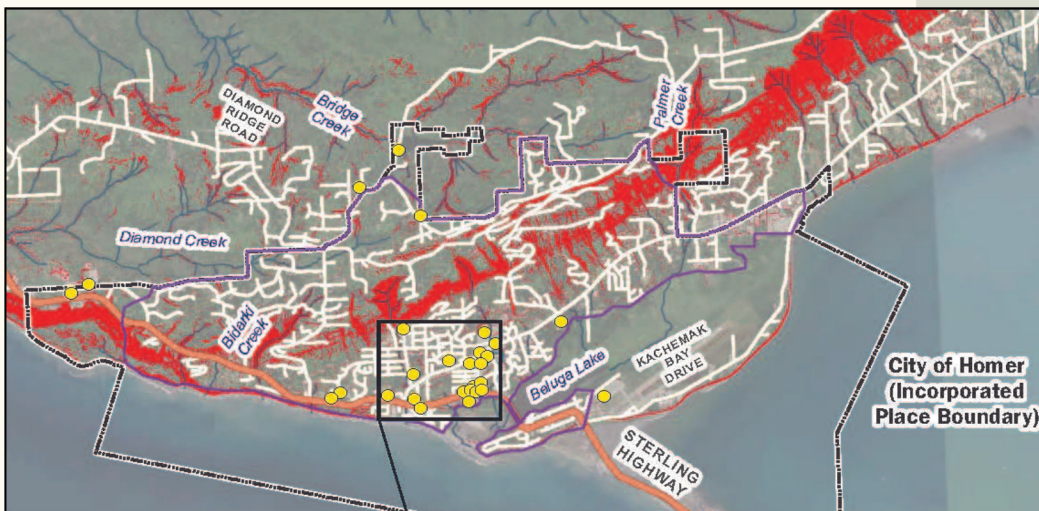
# HOMER HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

Home's Hazard Mitigation Plan identifies and profiles hazards, analyzes the people and facilities at risk, and develops mitigation actions to reduce or eliminate hazard risk.

One of the hazards identified in Homer is landslides and mudslides.

While the susceptibility of hillsides to landslides depends on variations in geology, topography, vegetation, and weather, steep slopes are often the focus because they can gradually or rapidly erode and have the potential for failure, creating significant damages downstream.

The slopes in Homer at greatest risk of slides are greater than 20 degrees. Approximately 17% (1,504 acres) of Homer is in this hazard area.



The highest concentration of these slopes (highlighted red in the map, above) is along the bluffs running between Skyline Drive East End Road and on the west end of the City, just south of the Sterling Highway (Bluff Point).

The Alaska Division of Geological and Geophysical Surveys has identified over 1,000 slope failure scars in the Homer and Kachemak City using aerial photographs and light detection and ranging (LIDAR) data. Several factors can contribute to destabilize a slope, including earthquakes, increased water saturation (from groundwater or flooding), erosional undercutting, indiscriminate development, loss of vegetation or the creation of cut-and-fill slopes in areas of unstable geologic conditions.

## Notable landslide failures in the last ten years include:

2013 16-foot mudslide down Bear Creek Drive caused by heavy rains that saturated the narrow Bear Creek Canyon. The slide sent trees and debris down Bear Creek, jamming a culvert on the uphill side of East End Road. A disaster declaration was made for several rain-soaked areas in the Kenai Peninsula Borough.

2015 Landslide on Kachemak Drive near the Homer Airport that took out a 100-foot section of the east bound lane of Kachemak Drive, pushing clumps of spruce and alder trees into Mud Bay. The slide resulted in the closure of Kachemak Drive approximately 0.5-mile from Homer Spit Road to the top of the hill.

At least one severe landslide occurred in Homer above Kachemak following the 1964 Great Alaskan Earthquake.

Shallow landslides can occur at any time but are more likely to happen when the ground is nearly saturated. However, deep-seated landslides are generally triggered by deep infiltration of rainfall over many months.

## Mitigation Measures Suggested in the LHMP

### Landslide Zone

Regulate development through zoning and permitting in landslide prone areas.

### Hillside Protection

Stabilize landslide-prone areas through stability improvement measures, including interceptor drains, in situ soil piles, drained earth buttresses, and subdrains.



# PUBLIC WORKS

## NEW ARTWORK INSTALLED AT HOMER AIRPORT TERMINAL



Next time you fly in or out of Homer, take some time with the gorgeous new artwork in the terminal by Homer naturalist Kim McNett. The three panels celebrate the peatland ecosystems that surround the Homer airport.

McNett said it was “*delightful to honor all of the peatland species through art*”, and it “*warms [her] heart to know the artwork will lend an enduring appreciation and identity to these local treasures.*”

This project was made possible by the efforts of Homer Drawdown, a climate solution community whose members include the Peatland Project of 2021, the Bunnell Street Arts Center, City of Homer, Kachemak Bay Conservation Society and the Rasmuson Foundation. An artist reception is being planned for November.

Peatlands also play a critical role in the [City of Homer Green Infrastructure Slope Stability project](#) — which is conserving and recharging peatlands in the Beluga Wetlands not only for their ecological services, but to help manage stormwater runoff to reduce contaminants entering Kachemak Bay and reduce coastal erosion.

### **What are peatlands?**

Peatlands are a special kind of wetland with deep, carbon-rich, saturated soil. Though peatlands only cover 3% of Earth’s surface, they store more carbon than any other terrestrial ecosystem -- twice that of all the world’s forests combined!

### **Why are peatlands important?**

In addition to enormous carbon sequestration, peatlands in the vicinity of the Homer airport and Kachemak Drive provide other important services. They:

- mitigate the effects of climate change by recharging aquifers and reducing the severity of wildfires and flood events;
- mitigate storm-water runoff and associated flooding and erosion along Kachemak Drive;
- naturally remove harmful toxins from groundwater before it enters our streams, lakes and Kachemak Bay;
- provide essential winter moose habitat and critical migratory bird and salmon habitat.

Globally, peatlands are recognized as the highest priority habitat to preserve in the face of climate change.

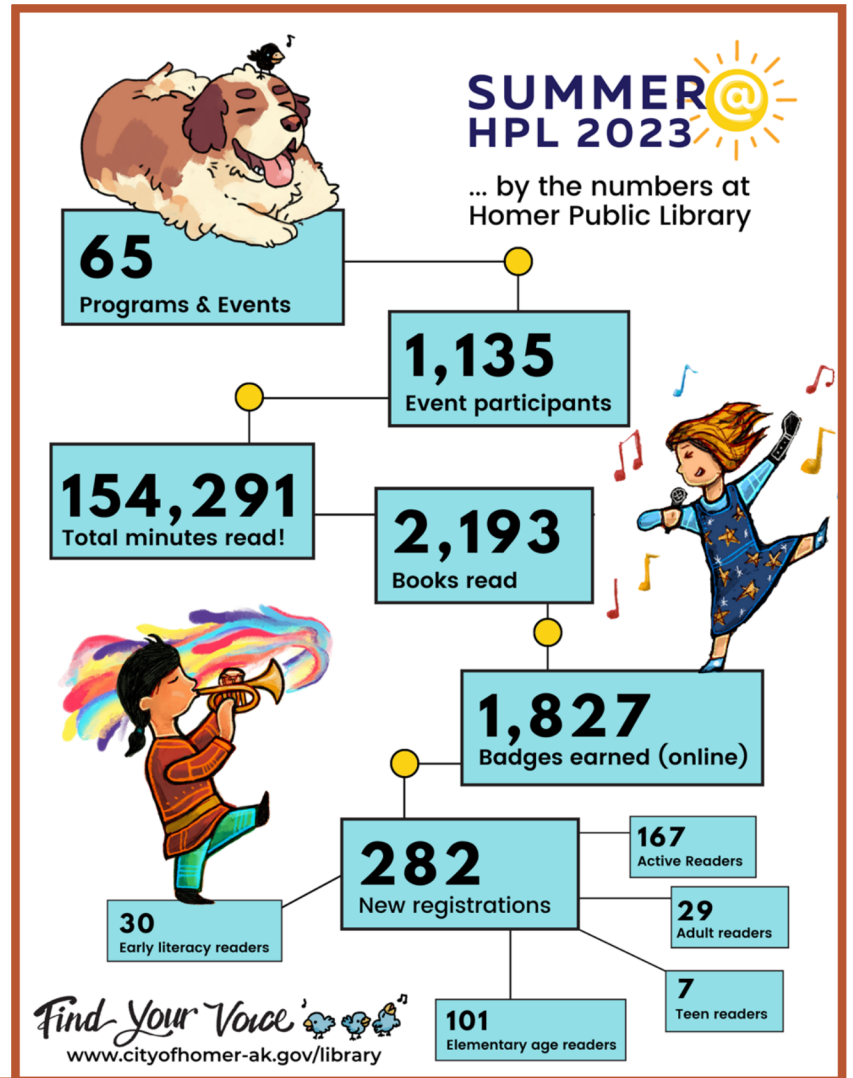


# LIBRARY

## SUMMER @ HPL A SUCCESS!

Homer Public Library's 2023 Summer Reading Program, *Find Your Voice*, is officially over and officially a success! The program's 65 events served 1,135 participants who enjoyed a variety of creative and connecting literary events led by skilled local community members in collaboration with Youth Service Librarian Cinda Nofziger. The outdoor celebration on July 29 that marked the end of the Summer Reading Program was a festive and busy event, with music, books, games, BOB the Bookmobile, exciting raffle drawings, food, and local ice cream.

A large part of the Program's success is due to a generous grant from the Homer Foundation's Opportunity Fund and the outpouring of generosity by Homer's outstanding local businesses who provided fabulous prizes and donations. Thank you!



## AFTER-SCHOOL @THE LIBRARY

For Elementary Students

EVERY THURSDAY 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

- September**
  - Books, books, books!
- October**
  - Board Games
- November**
  - LEGOs
- December**
  - Arts & Crafts

Even though summer reading is over,  
the fun continues after school  
at the library this fall!

[www.cityofhomer-ak.gov/library/after-school-library](http://www.cityofhomer-ak.gov/library/after-school-library)





# PUBLIC SAFETY CORNER



In this section, we aim to keep readers informed about the latest developments in public safety in the community. Whether it's news about crime prevention, emergency preparedness, or updates on local law enforcement activities, we've got you covered. Our goal is to promote a safe and secure environment for all community members and visitors of Homer, and we believe that staying informed is a crucial part of achieving that. Read on to learn more about what's happening in public safety in Homer.

## HALLOWEEN IN HOMER

Get your costumes ready, gather your little goblins and come out for delightful scares and sweet treasures.



### HALLOWEEN NIGHT ONE-WAY TRAFFIC CONTROLS

Halloween is one of the most anticipated times of the year for young children. We don't want any tricks when it comes to being safe and seen on our dark October roads.

To help keep trick-or-treaters as safe as possible on Halloween, streets in the Mountainview neighborhood will be open to one way traffic only from 5 to 8 pm on Tuesday, October 31.

- **Vehicles:** One way traffic will be directed from Pioneer to go up Main Street, around Mountain View (clockwise), and across Bayview.
- **Pedestrians:** One lane of the road will be reserved for pedestrians only.
- **Park & Walk:** Due to limited parking on the route, plenty of parking is available at the high school and other side streets for you to park and walk the neighborhood.

The Homer Police Department is working with volunteers to create a smooth, safe traffic flow for trick or treating in the Bayview and Mountain View neighborhoods. You can do your part, too!

The Chamber of Commerce team is brewing up a cauldron of enchanting surprises for you. From creative decorations to interactive experiences, they are conjuring up an event that will thrill both the young and the young at heart. Tune in for updates and sneak peeks coming soon to:

<https://www.homeralaska.org/events/annual-events/pioneer-ave-trick-or-treat/>



Whether you're chauffeuring your children on a candy quest or just driving home from work, please slow down, be cautious in low lighted areas, and mindful of costumed children who might excitedly dart into the road chasing after their friends and not see a car. Also, make sure your trick-or-treater can be seen. Reflective tape and flashlights help motorists see pedestrians in the dark. Have fun and be safe everyone!



# PARKS

## PARK MASTER PLANS UNDERWAY

September 12th and 13th were rainy, cool fall days, but that didn't keep park enthusiasts away! Consultants Peter Briggs and Linda Pringle from Corvus Design were in Homer to host a series of meetings with the general public, user groups, City Council and staff as part of the initial process for developing Master Plans for Bayview Park and Karen Hornaday Park.



*The public discussed a range of considerations for park improvements.*



Despite the challenging weather, turnout was good and there were great conversations. Several Council Members and Commissioners joined staff from the City Manager's Office, Economic Development, Public Works, Parks, and Building Maintenance to engage the public about park needs and to meet with representatives from Little League, Softball, and Sprout Family Services to address specific user-group concerns regarding on-site and weather friendly venues. The information gathered from these meetings is being combined with the public input also being gathered on the City's website for both projects to inform design options. Stay tuned for updates in the near future as the designers process this large volume of public input.

# PORT & HARBOR

## EROSION ISSUE AT THE DEEP WATER DOCK REPAIRED

In July, Harbor maintenance staff noticed a hole forming next to the approach to the Deep Water Dock. A recent check revealed that erosion had undermined the foundation of the approach where the dock trestle transitions to shore.

Upon discovering the damage had progressed to where daylight shown through all the way to the road surface, with a 1-inch steel plate to accommodate truck and crane traffic as scheduled.

This is the second time erosion has damaged the Deep Water Dock approach. Working with Public Works and HDR, a plan was devised for what we hope will be a permanent solution. Public Work crews excavated the affected area and then built it back with concrete blocks and heavy road fabric. Staff will continue to work to beef up the water side of the approach bulkhead before winter sets in.





# HOMER HARBOR EXPANSION

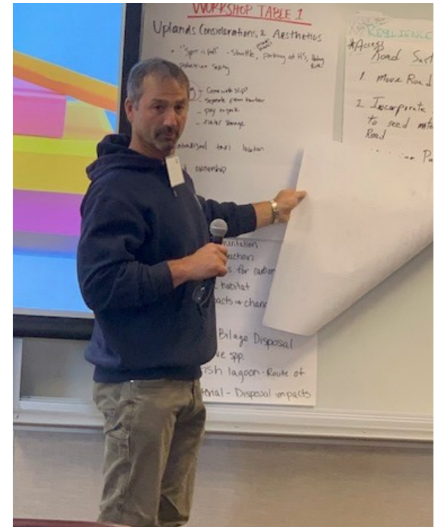
## RECAP OF THE SEPTEMBER 23 PUBLIC MEETING

City staff teamed up with the Army Corps of Engineers and HDR to host a public meeting on September 23rd to share updates on the Harbor Expansion Study and engage the public to collect feedback. Over 60 people attended the meeting on a sunny Saturday morning.

In the first hour, presenters spoke about the Army Corps' study process, how the team narrowed from fourteen alternatives to the current five under consideration, and what comes next. Community members then had the opportunity to join breakout groups to discuss one of the following themes in greater depth:

- Uplands consideration & Aesthetics
- Resiliency & Sustainability
- Reduced Environmental Impact
- Balanced Harbor Design, Logistics
- Business & Economic Opportunities

The group reunited to share highlights from their conversations, and the meeting closed with a Q&A session. Many themes emerged, including the importance of affordable employee housing, curiosity about project timeline and cost estimates (see the Study Update below for more details), and the vital role the harbor plays in this community. Thank you to all who joined us for this meeting. The next public meeting will be timed to align with the release of the Tentatively Selected Plan.



Harbormaster Matt Clarke shares insights from the **Business & Economic Opportunities** breakout session

## STUDY UPDATE



The pace of progress on the study has been great, but the City recently learned it may be put on pause. The USACE has informed the City that their FY23 Federal funds will carry USACE activities into January 2024. However, Federal funding for FY24 has not yet been secured, so they are anticipating a slowdown and possible pause in the study for the next 6 to 16 months.

While all USACE general investigation studies (GI's) are incrementally funded, it is unprecedented for a study to pause like this for lack of continuation funding. The Homer Harbor Expansion study, however, falls into a unique and very small cohort of new start GI's nationwide that were started through congressionally designated spending appropriations. The procedure for securing continuation funding for these studies in the FY24 Federal budget (either through a second federal appropriation or through inclusion in the USACE workplan) was unclear and no funding was included. It is our understanding that all new start GI's funded through FY23 Federal appropriations are in the same position, and efforts are underway to remediate the Federal funding issues and progress the various studies.

The City is working closely with the USACE and diligently investigating all opportunities to keep the harbor expansion study on schedule or minimize the impacts of a delay. The work done to date on the study is not time-sensitive and will remain relevant at the resumption of the study. We appreciate all the efforts of our local USACE project team. They have been open to creative solutions to stretch the current funding, utilize work in kind, and generally optimize the budget; they just recently secured an additional \$50,000 in reprogrammed funds from a study in Hawaii.

The USACE anticipates resuming the study in July 2024 by receiving continuation funding through a balance of unused funds in the USACE FY24 workplan, or possibly later through inclusion in the FY25 Federal Budget. To our knowledge no GI has ended due to lack of Federal funding. We trust that the federal government will ultimately fulfill its commitment to the Homer Harbor Expansion study.

Additionally, geotechnical sampling and ship simulation are being recommended during the study phase, which in the past have been conducted during a project's engineering and design phase. Adding these components to the GI will increase the study cost above the budgeted \$3M, requiring an increase in sponsor matching funds, which is ultimately a City Council decision. The City and HDR are working with the USACE to keep those costs down while gathering sufficient data to support basin design assumptions which is important to mitigating risk associated with identifying construction costs.

# COMMUNITY RECREATION



## COSMIC HAMLET PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT RECAP

The 2nd Annual “Cosmic Hamlet Pickleball Tournament” was held on Labor Day weekend September 1-3. The event was co-sponsored with Homer Pickleball Club and attracted many participants. We expect this to grow every year despite the challenges and limitations of using the HERC gym. The numbers include:



- 73 players entered, an increase over last year’s tournament
- 51 teams played in the tournament
- 30 players were from Homer, 43 were from out of town (largely Anchorage and from other communities on the Peninsula)
- 3 Major Sponsors - Story Real Estate, Grace Ridge Brewery and Homer’s Jeans
- 21 Homer businesses provided door prizes
- 45 door prizes were given out

The Homer Community Recreation program has a constant flow of new opportunities. Please check out our many activities, programs and special events here: <https://www.cityofhomer-ak.gov/com-rec/current-programs-events>.

# FIRE DEPARTMENT

## SEPTEMBER TRAININGS

Throughout the month of September, trainees in HVFD’s 2023 Firefighter 2 class has been covering a wide variety of skills trainings to prepare them for their State certification test the first week of October. Their trainings include vehicle extrication, special rescue team operations, fire origin and cause, and much more. Four members from HVFD and four from Seward Fire Department worked hard and made this class great. We look forward to congratulating them when they graduate in October with State and National certifications!



*HVFD’s newest Volunteer putting in the extra time for Extrication Training.*



*VEIS (Vent, Enter, Isolate, Search) Training teaches firefighters advanced levels of fire rescue tactics.*



## CITY STAFF SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

We would like to recognize City staff members with anniversaries last month. Thank you for the dedication, commitment, and service you've provided the City and taxpayers of Homer over the years. You all are an integral part of what makes the City of Homer a great place to work .

Aaron Glidden	Port	19 Years
Ryan Browning	Police	13 Years
Tracie Whitaker	Police	9 Years
Lisa Linegar	Police	8 Years
Jakob Richter	Fire	4 Years
Charles Benson	Police	2 Years
Samantha Cunningham	Fire	2 Years
Jessica McGuire	Finance	1 Year

## MEET CITY STAFF

### Meet Cinda Nofziger

Lions and Tigers and Bears, Oh My! I love being the youth services librarian at the Homer Public Library. I help plan and run programs for area youth from wee-ones to young adults, including our summer reading program. Year round, I get to host storytimes for our youngest patrons, and after school activities for elementary kids as well as tweens and teens. Shout out to the Teen Advisory Board! You can also catch me on KBBI radio each month for radio story hour where young and old alike can listen to stories and take a much needed dance break! I also manage the collections of materials for children and young adults.



wonders of the Homer Public Library when it was located on Pioneer. My previous employment includes stints at the Gear Shed, Albany County Public Library, and Head of Reference at the University of Michigan. Please say hello the next time you visit the library!

## EMPLOYEE HIGH FIVE!

Everyone in town knows that phone service was down for an extended period recently. What most people don't realize is that the water treatment plant relies on the phone system to alert operators to problems with the system. Another thing that some people don't know is that the drinking water system supplies water to the fire hydrants in town.



The on call operator, Jason Hoffman, contacted his supervisor about the lack of comms at the WTP. They assessed the situation, if the plant had a shutdown, without the phone system operating, reaction time would be dangerously long, especially if there were a fire or some other emergency in town. It was decided someone should stay at the plant all night to insure uninterrupted service, Jason volunteered. This shows his dedication, not only to his job but to the health and safety of our community.

High five, Jason!

My favorite part of my job is getting to know and hang out with so many of our community's wonderful youth—from the littles who are just learning about books to the teens who use the library to study, socialize, and craft their own stories. Everyone brings a super fun energy to the building and I feel so lucky to be a part of it. Our area kiddos make my job fun, exciting, and so very meaningful. I also have some wonderful colleagues!

When I'm not at the library, you might find me reading, watching British mysteries, hanging out with my family crew, Jazzercising (yes, Jazzercising), and going on Homer adventures. I've served as the youth librarian and have lived full-time in Homer for two years now, but Homer has always felt like home for as long as I can remember. I still think so fondly of Grandma Hilda Stoltzfus introducing me to the

# CITY OF HOMER ROSTER

**Mayor** - Ken Castner (2024)

## City Council

Donna Aderhold (2024)  
Jason Davis (2025)  
Shelley Erickson (2024)  
Storm P. Hansen-Cavasos (2025)  
Rachel Lord (2023)  
Caroline Venuti (2023)

## City Staff Leadership

Rob Dumouchel, City Manager  
Melissa Jacobsen, MMC, City Clerk/Deputy Director of Administration  
Mark Robl, Chief of Police  
Bill Jirsa, Chief Technology Officer  
Julie Engebretsen, Economic Development Manager  
Elizabeth Walton, Finance Director  
Mark Kirko, Fire Chief  
Dave Berry, Library Director  
Andrea Browning, Personnel Director  
Bryan Hawkins, Port Director  
Jan Keiser, Public Works Director/City Engineer  
Ryan Foster, City Planner  
Mike Illg, Community Recreation Manager

## Commissions and Boards

ADA Advisory Board  
Economic Development Advisory Commission  
Library Advisory Board  
Parks, Art, Recreation and Culture Advisory Commission  
Planning Commission  
Port and Harbor Advisory Commission

# MUNICIPAL ART COLLECTION



These two ball players can be seen hanging out at Jack Gist Park, no matter the season.

These sculptures were constructed by artist Don Henry in 2009 out of welded found objects.

Learn more about the municipal art collection at:  
[www.cityofhomer-ak.gov/prac/city-homer-municipal-art-collection](http://www.cityofhomer-ak.gov/prac/city-homer-municipal-art-collection)

# STAY CONNECTED TO CITY COUNCIL

Go to [cityofhomer-ak.gov/cityclerk/stay-connected-city-council](http://cityofhomer-ak.gov/cityclerk/stay-connected-city-council) to find instructions on how to listen, provide testimony, and participate in the meetings via Zoom.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

October	
3 7 am - 8 pm	Election Day for 2023 City & Borough Regular Election
4 5:30 pm	Planning Commission Worksession
4 6:30 pm	Planning Commission Regular Meeting
9 4 pm	City Council Worksession - HERC
9 5 pm	City Council Committee of the Whole
9 6 pm	City Council Regular Meeting
10 6 pm	Economic Dev. Advisory Commission Regular Meeting
11 5:30 pm	Port & Harbor Advisory Commission Regular Meeting
12 5:30 pm	ADA Advisory Board Regular Meeting
12 5:30 pm	Port & Harbor Advisory Commission Worksession
16 5:30 pm	Planning Commission Worksession
16 6:30 pm	Planning Commission Regular Meeting
17 5:30 pm	Library Advisory Board Regular Meeting
19 5:30 pm	Parks, Art, Rec & Culture Commission Regular
23 5 pm	City Council Committee of the Whole
23 6 pm	City Council Regular Meeting

# JOIN OUR TEAM

- Find current job listings for the City of Homer
- Sign up for Job Alerts
- Apply Online at:  
[cityofhomerak.applicantpro.com/jobs](http://cityofhomerak.applicantpro.com/jobs)

## CURRENT JOB LISTING

- [Harbor Officer I](#)
- [Firefighter/ EMT](#)



## ABOUT THIS NEWSLETTER

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