

CITY NEWSLETTER

City of Gustavus
June 6th, 2025



City Council

Sally McLaughlin—Mayor
Shelley Owens—Vice Mayor
Susan Warner
Geoff Fosse
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 -
Thursday 9am-3pm
907.697.2451

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

DRC— *summer hours*
Tuesday, Thursday,
Saturday 10a-4p
907.697.2118

Community Chest— *summer hours*
Monday and Wednesday 11a-1p
Saturday 11a-2p

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

UPCOMING MEETINGS

City Council General Meeting— Monday 06/09/2025 at 7pm. All are welcome to join in person at City Hall or via zoom.

Meeting Agenda and Packet: [MEET-Packet-61c81ae44b8c4424816ffd3601956ceb.pdf](https://tinyurl.com/2f9fj78h)

Zoom Link: <https://tinyurl.com/2f9fj78h>

Zoom ID: 515 501 9406 Zoom Passcode: 8521 Tel: 253-215-8782

Conservation Lands Advisory Committee meeting – Thursday 06/19/2025 at 6:30pm. All are welcome to join in person at City Hall.

Meeting Agenda: [06-19-2025clacmeetingnotice.pdf](https://tinyurl.com/2f9fj78h)

Missed a meeting? View recordings of all meetings [here](#).

Additional Updates

Senator Jesse Kiehl will be in Gustavus! There will be a town hall at the GCC on Thursday 7-10-2025 from 5pm-7pm. He will also hold office hours at the Fireweed Gallery on Friday 7-11-2025 from 11am-1pm. [Click here for flyer](#).

As the weather gets warmer more people are out on our roads, please **respect the speed limits** and share the road with our cyclists and pedestrians.

Xunaa Borough: We are still waiting for the Superior Court to rule on the Request for a Stay. I spoke with our attorney and was told that although it is out of our hands, the Request for Stay “is pending and is ripe for a ruling at any time”. You may have seen notices for Hoonah to hold the election for voter approval of the Borough as well as for Borough Board Members. This process will continue as originally planned unless/until a Stay is granted.

The State has filed all the documents and transcripts from the LBC’s decisional meetings requested by the Court. The attorneys for all four communities are working on the Appellant’s Brief that elaborates the points on appeal while anticipating a court ruling on the appeal, expected within the next two weeks. At that point they will receive a court order with a 30-day deadline to submit the brief.

Medevac companions and Real ID: In accordance with the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) federal mandate for REAL ID compliance that is now in effect, all individuals accompanying patients on our medevac flights (significant others, family members, friends, caregivers, etc.) will be required to present REAL ID-compliant identification. **Please note: This requirement applies to all patient companions, not to patients themselves.** [How to get a REAL ID and use it for travel | USAGov](#)

Emergency 911 calls – Is your registered cell location up to date?

To ensure proper routing of 911 calls update your Emergency Address.

To streamline 911 response to your location you must change your address in your phone.

GCI: Calls made to emergency services using Wi-Fi Calling will use a “Registered Location”. A Registered Location is **the most recent information identifying the physical location of a user**. You can update your Wi-Fi Registered Location for emergency calls by going to your handset settings and updating the address or by contacting GCI at [800-800-4800](tel:800-800-4800). Failing to do so may prevent emergency services from being properly routed to your physical location.”

AT&T FirstNet: You can change your Emergency Address at any time by selecting

Want to be add to our newsletter email just email clerk@gustavus-ak.gov and ask to be added.

“Update Emergency Address” in your Wi-Fi Calling menu. Do Not Delay. Update your cell phone address now.

Trash from trucks parked near or on the Gustavus Dock and Beach:

Recently, we’ve had incidents where drivers parking at the beach or on the island are leaving trash exposed in the back of their truck or in a vehicle with open or non-existent windows. The Marine Facilities Coordinator and the State ADOT Gustavus Station Foreman have had to chase trash that is blowing away or is scattered about by wildlife. *Please* do not leave any trash where it is susceptible to weather and wildlife. We don’t want to lose parking privileges on the island, which, I’m told, is a possibility if this behavior continues. We don’t want to attract wildlife – the bears are out! Positive peer pressure to inspire cooperation may prove helpful.

Thank you - City Administrator, Kathy Leary

ADEC has issued a public notice for a Non-contact Cooling Water General Permit. Since this is a General Permit (not any specific locale) we are providing a link to the ADEC website for Public Notices. The informational documents are linked there if you wish to provide public comment. The post expires on 7/7/25

<https://dec.alaska.gov/water/wastewater/>



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