

CITY NEWSLETTER

City of Gustavus
November 17, 2025



UPCOMING MEETINGS

City of Gustavus Endowment Fund Committee Meeting Monday November 24th, 2025 at 6pm.

City Council Work Session Monday December 1st, 2025 at 6pm.

City Council General Meeting Monday December 8th, 2025 at 7 pm.

All are welcome to join in person at City Hall or via zoom. Agenda and packet information will be posted 5 days prior to the meeting.

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

UPDATES

Elections Update: Our 2025-2026 City of Gustavus City Council

Seat A - Renee Patrick

Seat B – Justin Marchbanks

Seat C - Karen Hutten

Seat D - Jim Kearns

Seat E – Sally McLaughlin – Mayor

Seat F – Lucas Beck – Vice Mayor

Seat G – Mike Taylor

Volunteer Opportunities:

Emergency Response planning volunteers wanted. The City of Gustavus is hoping to find individuals with prior experience in EMS/fire/police/military, safety, logistics, communications, planning, mapping, ICS, NIMS or has a passion for emergency and disaster preparedness and response to help Gustavus become more resilient through preparedness. If you are interested in helping, please contact the City Clerk, clerk@gustavus-ak.gov. For more information [click here](#).

Additional Information:

Alaska Young Fisherman's Summit:

Registration is now open for the Alaska Young Fishermen's Summit.

AYFS delivers three days of intensive training, information and networking for commercial fishermen early in their careers, building leadership and networking capacity in the Alaska commercial fishing industry. The summit coincides with the start of the Alaska State Legislature's regular session in Juneau.

The early-bird registration fee is \$225. Active Alaska commercial fishermen receive a \$100 registration discount through support from Alaska Sea Grant and

City Council Members

Sally McLaughlin—Mayor

Lucas Beck—Vice Mayor

Renee Patrick

Justin Marchbanks

Karen Hutten

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—

Monday 4p-7p

Tuesday- 9a-4p

Wednesday - Saturday 12p-4p

907.697.2350

DRC— *winter hours*

Tuesday, Thursday,

Saturday 11a-3p

907.697.2118

Community Chest— *winter hours*

Wednesday 11a-1p

Saturday 11a-2p

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

AYFS sponsors. Registration for all attendees increases by \$50 after December 1. Limited travel scholarships are available by application; [see the website for details](#).

Alaska Aquaculture Opportunity Atlas Rollout and Webtool Planning Workshop:

The NOAA Fisheries Alaska Regional Office invites you to attend the Alaska Aquaculture Opportunity Atlas Rollout and Webtool Planning Workshop! Three identical, 1-day workshops will be hosted in Juneau, Kodiak, and Anchorage. The workshops will provide participants with the opportunity to learn more about the Aquaculture Opportunity Area process, share the recently published NCCOS Gulf of Alaska Aquaculture Opportunity Atlas, and offer input on developing an Alaska aquaculture mapping and permitting tool.

Workshops will take place in the following locations:

- Juneau: January 21, 2026
- Kodiak: January 23, 2026
- Anchorage: March 9, 2026

[Alaska AOA Atlas Rollout and Webtool Planning Workshop](#)

SEALT Press Release – Beach Meadows [click here](#)

Heat pump funding opportunity through Southeast Conference for more information [click here](#).

Alaska Municipal League shared a study about fishing jobs being down for the 5th year. [Click here](#) to learn more. Interested in other economic trends [look here](#). \

Alaska Municipal League Comments on DNR efficiency efforts [click here](#) to see comment.

Southeast Alaska Transportation Plan update virtual open house on Tuesday December 16th, 2025.

10am-11:30am or 5pm to 6:30pm

Zoom Access Information: Get links on the project website at www.southeastalaskatransportationplan.com

Looking for Public Comment

Alaska Statewide Long Range Transportation Plan 2055:

The Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF) is updating the Statewide Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), which will guide Alaska's transportation policies and investments through 2055. This 30-year plan will set the course for how people and goods move by road, air, water, rail, bike, and foot, and will shape future priorities across the state. The LRTP will meet all federal and state planning requirements while establishing a long-term vision for an accessible, resilient, and well-connected Alaska.

[Alaska Long Range Transportation Plan 2055 - PublicInput](#)