

Mayor's Report, April 9, 2024

Help Clean Up the Town

The annual Haines Community Cleanup is scheduled for April 26-28. It's sponsored by the Haines Chamber of Commerce, Haines Borough, and Community Waste Solutions. Yellow cleanup bags are available at the Chamber office in the Gateway Building and at the borough office. Full bags can be dropped off at the pool parking lot. The cleanup kicks off on 8 a.m. Friday, April 26, when Haines School students will patrol for litter around the school. On Saturday and Sunday, a station at the school will be set up starting 8 a.m. with coffee, donuts and snacks for volunteers. For questions or a cleanup assignment, call Amanda at the Chamber at 766-2202. Takshanuk Watershed Council and Haines Friends of Recycling are combing efforts for a shoreline cleanup of marine debris May 1-8. For information, call Tracy at TWC, 766-3542.

Borough Working on Hiking Trails

The Haines Borough's Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee (PRAC) has been reconstituted and is working on trail issues, including a local trail inventory, easements, and prioritization of needs and improvements. The discussion includes sidewalks and trails downtown. Recent meetings have included discussions with Eric Borass, who is addressing trails on behalf of Haines Huts and Trails. Eric is hoping to organize monthly trail work parties. Thom Ely and Kathleen Menke co-chair the PRAC. The PRAC meets at every third Thursday, 5:30 p.m. at assembly chambers.

Pre-Paid Trash Bags Available at City Hall

Please don't dump your household garbage on our roadsides. If you're having trouble paying for your garbage bill or you know a person who is, the mayor is offering pre-paid garbage bags that can be filled and taken to the FAA Road landfill at no charge. Call Mayor Tom Morphet at 766-6405 or 314-3193 for more information or to get a bag.