

review by the end of the month. He informed the Council of many activities happening with the Sports and Rec program this month. Corbridge also informed the council that absent any violations, he would be authorizing an extension of the Maintenance and Operating Agreement with Seward Ships Drydock.

Corbridge stated federal lobbyist Brad Gilman needed the city's priority list by the end of the month. Gilman had stated the money to transfer Lowell Creek tunnel to the Corps of Engineers was appropriated and within the Senate, but the responsibility had not been transferred as yet. Corbridge had sent a noise waiver letter to DOT and they were ready to go out to bid on the road project. He would be talking to them about access issues onto the Seward highway for both the levee project and the Long Term Care Facility. He had also been meeting with the design team of the Long Term Care Facility every week.

Corbridge mentioned threatened litigation to move a 1960 electric pole in the Bear Creek area. He would also need to produce a resolution to extend the contract with Chugach Electric Association for 4 months while a new contract was being negotiated.

Other happenings reported were: an art train would be making Seward a stop in the fall of 2006, an RFP was out for the Adams Street Pavilion, recruitment for a VISTA volunteer would begin in March, maintenance plans were being discussed for the Mary Lowell Center and the Long Term Care Facility, and an agreement was being reached with the Iron Mountain Shooting Club.

City Attorney's Report. City Attorney Cheryl Brooking gave a general report through December 25, 2005. They assisted on contracts and other documents, continued to work on administrative matters, employment matters, and worked with the harbor on certain vessel impoundments and the harbor expansion project.

She responded to previous complaints by council that the attorney's office was not sending detailed financial reports anymore. She clarified they had always sent these reports in, but with staff turnover, these had fell through the cracks and were no longer being sent to the council. The finance department would be providing those for the future. Brooking reminded they were not available for public review, and that pending legal matters could be discussed during executive sessions at any time.

Historic Preservation Report. Chair Shannon Kovac, reported they were inventorying 190 structures in the Seward area that were 50 years of age or older. The old inventory list was created over 10 years ago, so new structures were being added. She stated a two-tier grant was submitted to the Rasmussen Foundation for the Jesse Lee Leadership School, and also a grant was submitted for funding to replicate a wrought iron fence for Hoben Park.

Other Reports, Announcements and Presentations.

City Council applicants Kevin Clark, Michael Calhoon, Marilyn Sutherland and Jean Bardarson introduced themselves and requested council support.

The PACAB annual report was presented by Chair Deborah Altermatt.