



Executive Director's Report to Council

April 26, 2016

Activities:

We are pleased to announce that Robert Heide has joined the staff as our new Training Coordinator. Rob comes to us from DOC Probation & Parole in Juneau, where he served as a PO and the region's training officer. Rob's served as an instructor in the DOC Academy and is a certified instructor. He's qualified currently to teach Electronic Monitoring, Defensive Tactics, Methods of Instruction, Firearms, and Taser. Rob is also a professional ski instructor and rowing coach. Rob holds a BS in Architecture from University of Detroit Mercy, studied Finance at the University of Delaware, and is one semester away from completing his Masters of Public Administration from UAS.

The office has been dominated the past month by a major construction project on Whittier Street, just outside our windows. The city tore up the roadway, replaced water mains and street drains and is in the process of reconstructing the street and sidewalks. It's been an interesting challenge for us to manage our work schedule around heavy equipment, idling diesel trucks, chainsaws, compactors, and vibrating steamrollers. Needless to say we've had some challenging teleconferences, and have picked up more than one binder that vibrated off desks or shelves.

The Legislative session has occupied more of my time than I anticipated, and, with the extended session, this continues. The most impactful legislation in the works is:

- The Omnibus Crime Bill, SB91, which is still working its way through the process and is being frequently amended. Perhaps by our meeting date we can report on the final language, assuming it makes it through the process by then.
- HB77 passed the House, then the Senate Finance Committee and is now in the Senate Rules committee; this bill will mandate training for officers on disability awareness.
- HB 317, abolishing civil in rem forfeiture, passed the house and is now in the senate where it passed out of Judiciary and rests with the Finance Committee. The latest version of the bill is less onerous to public safety and will allow civil abatements to proceed and abandoned property to be disposed of.
- HB 205, when first introduced, proposed raising our training surcharge rates from 25% to 50%, depending upon the crime or violation. Since then, the bill was completely substituted with the House's version of the Omnibus Crime Bill, completely eliminating any discussion of APSC. The bill has generated significant comment from Law Enforcement, and has not advanced further in the House pending their action on SB91 which was passed on to the house and is now in the House Finance Committee. At this time HB205 is not expected to have a direct fiscal impact on APSC.

APSC's cases are now working their way through the system. Our herculean catch-up effort on backlogged cases has created considerable work for the Department of Law and the Office of

Administrative Hearings, where we now have 8 active cases pending hearings and one pending a decision. One challenge this creates is scheduling hearings around the availability of APSC staff, Administrative Law Judges, attorneys and officers. A result of this is that some of our hearings are being set well into the future; recently, one was set as far out as October, 2016. Kudos go to John Novak, Rob Henderson and John Skidmore for their ongoing support to APSC.

I travelled to Anchorage for several meetings with DOC, DPS and Anchorage PD to discuss and clarify their written comments provided regarding the proposed regulation changes. These were productive and resulted in proposed amended language detailed in my explanation memo for each regulation packet.

While in Anchorage, I met with AST Captain Randy Hahn, Assistant AG Robert Henderson, and representatives from WEKA, a private security firm, to discuss WEKA's ongoing proposal to provide Private Policing services. Currently such services are inconsistent with Alaska regulations and statutes; WEKA wants to change this to allow select companies to contract with communities or businesses to provide full (or a subset) police services. We had a constructive dialog and concluded the meeting with a request that they provide a formal proposal of what services/powers they felt were required and suggested statutory/regulatory changes, which they later partially provided. This item is listed in New Business on our meeting agenda for further discussion.

With the recent passage of the Girdwood police service district, and AST staffing reductions, the topic of contracting with another police department for police services has arisen. Our initial examination of statutes and regulations find them moot on the topic; in other words, we found no prohibition for the concept. In conversations with DOL and the Anchorage Municipal Attorney, many topics of concern were raised, not the least of which were liability, oversight, accountability and funding. This item is listed in New Business on our meeting agenda for further discussion.

Fiscal year to-date, APSC has processed/generated/sponsored:

Training Events Sponsored	78	Except Academies
Officers Directly Sponsored	342	Planned or completed
Officers Attending Courses	699	Sponsored & sponsored courses
Training Hours Delivered	17,068	Ex: Basic Academies, 2-Week & MCO
Academy Attendees	64	4 Full/1 Recertification/1 MCO attended & scheduled
Academy Training Hours Delivered and/or scheduled	33,507	Ex: APD Officers, Troopers, VPOs & VPSOs
Certificates issued	225	All Certs
Instructor Certifications	48	16 New & 32 for additional courses
Course Certifications	62	32 New & 30 recertified
New Investigations Initiated	32	12 closed, 15 to Council, 5 pending
OAH Full Hearings Held	21	Reported Quarterly

Sometime later this year, APSC is scheduled to move to new offices in the "Community Building," located next door to, and just below, the state courthouse in downtown Juneau. This schedule appears a bit ambitious as it relies upon the capitol building construction being completed first, then some minor remodeling of the building to accommodate DPS Headquarters on the third floor, APSC and CDVSA on the second floor and adult Probation & Parole on the first floor. This building

is secure; while visitors are welcome and encouraged, they will no longer be able to drop in, unannounced.

Finances:

Generally speaking, we are on good financial ground at this point in time. Our revenue forecast for the year is \$1.28M and revenue received as of April 26, 2016 is \$995K, with revenue from Anchorage and several other cities, still pending. We made one budget realignment in April to utilize personnel funds that would not be used and use them for training purposes. We have approved and funded a number of courses/officers for the remainder of the fiscal year, and tentatively approved several courses for FY17, for planning purposes. Below are actual expenses as of 4/26/16:

Budget Items*	Budgeted	Projected Cost	%Budget	To Date Cost	%Budget
Academies	\$327,500.00	\$410,690.16	125%	\$231,998.86	71%
APSC Meetings	\$67,350.00	\$22,210.40	33%	\$13,567.78	20%
Division Related	\$67,350.00	\$45,000.00	67%	\$38,234.62	57%
Hearings	\$37,500.00	\$37,500.00	100%	\$9,195.90	25%
Training	\$327,500.00	\$355,599.52	109%	\$217,849.01	67%
Personnel Costs	\$456,400.00	\$313,459.79	69%	\$227,628.46	50%
Total Non-Personnel	\$827,200.00	\$871,000.08	105%	\$510,846.17	62%
Grand Total	\$1,283,600.00	\$1,184,459.87	92%	\$1,249,320.80	97%

*Note that budget items can be reallocated within the budget year and we will soon do so.

The current budget for FY17 does not propose any change from FY16 funding. As our funding is directly related to surcharge revenue collected the previous year and we are currently on-track with estimates, this does not yet appear to be an immediate concern. Looking forward; the impact of reduced numbers of troopers and other officers, statewide, precipitated by the state's budgetary shortfall, may well have a trickle-down effect upon revenues and we should prepare for reductions in future years.

Training:

As mentioned above, APSC has sponsored 64 Academy attendees this year. These include; 37 officers in basic academies, 21 in the recertification academy and 6 Municipal Corrections Officers.

We have either sponsored training events or officer(s) to attend them on 78 occasions, thus far, through the end of the fiscal year. These include Skid Car, Firearms, Methods of Instruction, FTO, Interview and Interrogation, ChildFirst Forensics, Hostage Negotiations, Dispatcher Training, Train the Trainers in a variety of topics and a host of other courses. This provided sponsored training opportunities for at least 699 students, totaling 17,068 training hours delivered or scheduled for delivery before June 30, 2016.

Regulations:

Incorporating public comment, APSC staff has presented two packages, along with explanation memos addressing the proposed changes, for consideration and adoption at this meeting. We are reminded by DOL that we cannot receive testimony on the proposed regulations from the public at this meeting.

Policy & Procedure Development:

The Council in their last meeting directed me to draft a Policy & Procedure dealing with non-compliance with our regulations. Working with Council members Nieves and Burton as well as with Rob Henderson, with DOL, we present a draft to you at this meeting and recommend that the Council adopt this policy, as presented.

Planned Activities:

June 4-9: IADLEST Annual Conference in Grand Rapids, MI
June 27-August 5: Director's agency visits to all Southeast Alaska agencies, via boat.
December 6-9: Executive Dev. Conference, APSC, AACOP & FBINA meetings, Anchorage

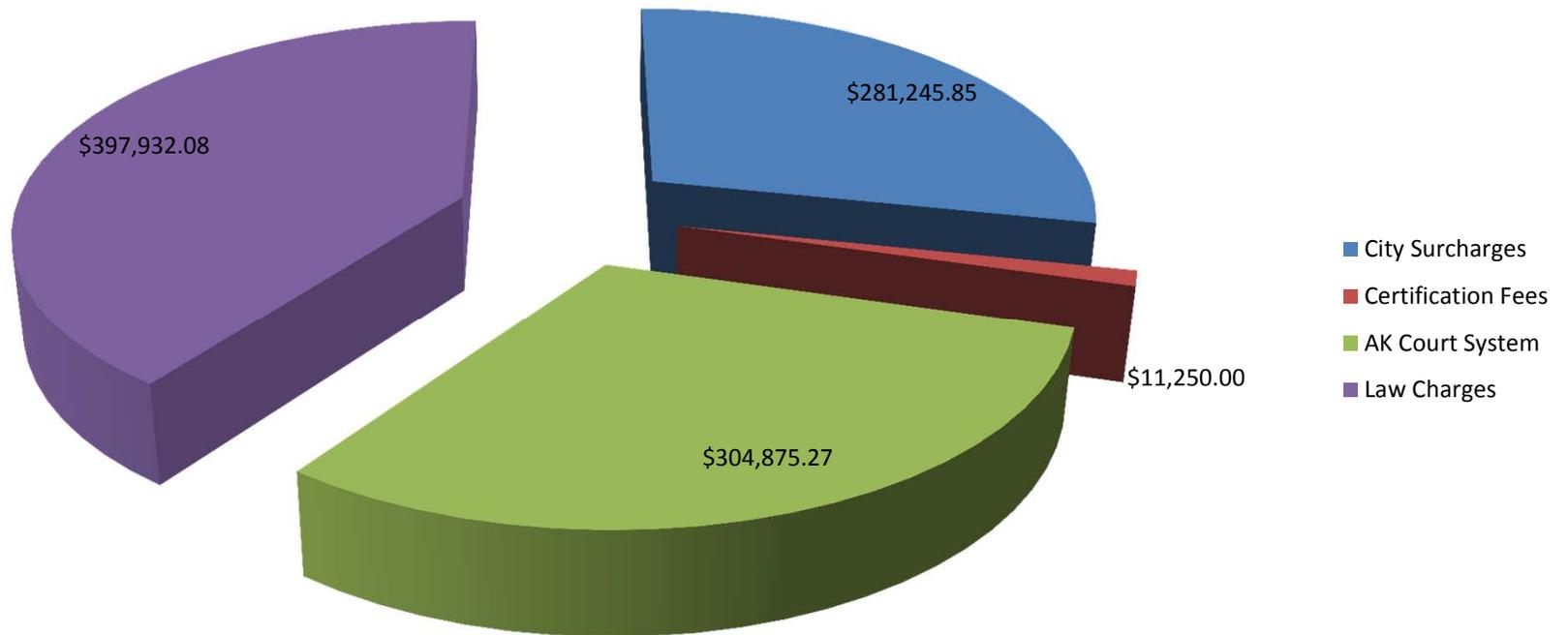
OAH Hearings Currently Scheduled:

June 1-3 Valent Maxwell
June 20-21 Victor Dillon
June 30 – July 5 Wesley McQuillin & William Kemper
Oct 3-21 Anthony Henry

TBD: Mark Harreus, John Waldron, and David Johnson

APSC Revenue

APSC FY16 Revenue to Date Budgeted Revenue: \$1.28M



As of April 26, 2016