

Federation of Community Councils Manager's Report

August 21, 2014

Grants to Councils and Patrols

We received two new grants this Legislative session for a total of \$510,000. Six grants are expiring at the end of this State of Alaska fiscal year (June 30, 2015). All monies in these grants must be used for the stated purpose of the grant by June 30, 2015 or the money will be returned to the State. Another option is to have the Legislature re-appropriate the funds to another purpose. This would have to happen during the Spring 2015 Legislative session. The six grantees have been notified about the expiration of the grants.

The Municipal Code Changed for Community Council Rules

Only a handful of councils have completed their new council bylaws as required by the new councils ordinance. A few councils have asked for an extension and therefore have until November to complete their new bylaws. Others will operate under the new "default" bylaws until they submit and get approval for their new bylaws.

Contact us for a MS WORD version of the "default" bylaws that meet all the requirements of the legislation. These bylaws were created by Darrel Hess, who had a lot to do with the writing of the legislation.

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