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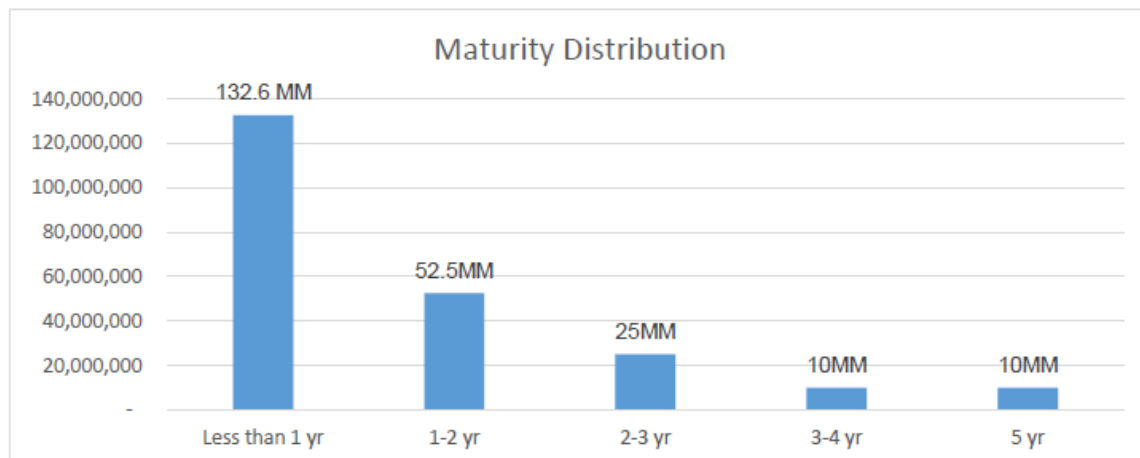
MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 9, 2024
TO: Mayor and Assembly
FROM: Michael Brown, Borough Manager
RE: Manager's Weekly Post

Mat River Park Site Visit: MSB Community Development will be hosting a site visit on Friday, October 11 at 10:30am at Mat River Park to talk about the upcoming selective tree felling that will occur this month to support the City of Palmer's Airport operations by removing obstacles that are in the glide path for aviation. If anyone is interested in joining the site visit, please let Jillian.Morrissey@matsugov.us (907) 861-8634 know. A public information webpage for this project is currently in the works and will be live by the end of the week.

Investment Summary from 07/01/2024-09/30/2024:

- Total return for the last quarter was 0.12% with interest received of \$827,711.
- Average market value for our portfolio was \$229,930,908.
- This quarter there was \$24.5MM Purchased.
- This quarter there was \$30MM in Maturities and \$5MM that was Called.
- 36% of the portfolio consists of Callable Bonds.



3rd Quarter 2024 MSB Fish & Wildlife Commission Report: During the third quarter of 2024, the MSB Fish and Wildlife Commission (FWC) met four times as follows:

- July 2: Regular Meeting
- August 22: Special Meeting – *West Susitna Access Road*
- August 29: Regular Meeting
- September 26: Regular Meeting

The FWC is generally off between June and August; however, with a number of deadlines on pertinent topics, the commissioners opted to continue meeting regularly through the summer, including a special meeting regarding the West Susitna Access Road project. They have invited the Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities project team to attend their October meeting to discuss the project in more detail. The FWC approved a revamped CAPSIS request, which is reflected in the fishery protections of the FY25 State Legislative Priorities. The group has pursued a Stock of Yield Concern status for Susitna king salmon after another year of poor king returns. Mat-Su legislators also submitted a Stock of Yield Concern request for Little Susitna coho salmon, which the FWC evaluated and supported. Both requests will be reviewed by the Board of Fisheries at the end of October. The FWC has continued to have seated representation on the Waterbody Setback Advisory Board and the Mat-Su Salmon Habitat Partnership Steering Committee. The FWC is monitoring the upcoming proposals for the Prince William Sound/Upper Copper Board of Fish proposals, recognizing that these fisheries also support Mat-Su anglers. Additionally, they are evaluating the newly released Central Region Board of Game proposals and are preparing to host the annual Fishing Season Summary with the Alaska Department of Fish & Game.

Animal Care Hosting Disaster Preparedness Courses: Mat-Su Borough Animal Care and Regulation is hosting the Rural Domestic Preparedness Consortium’s (RDPC) All Hazards Preparedness for Animals in Disasters and All Hazards Planning for Animal, Agricultural, and Food Related Disasters courses at the MSB Animal Shelter on October 8 – 11, 2024.

The RDPC is leading the rural first responder training initiative by developing courses that are created using a rigorous, standardized curriculum development process that ensures consistency with the principles and priorities set forth by the National Preparedness System (NPS) and the National Incident Management System (NIMS). The RDPC is committed to providing small, rural, and tribal emergency responders and stakeholders with the knowledge, skills, and abilities necessary to enhance the safety, security, and quality of life for their citizens through access to DHS-certified training and resources developed specifically for rural practitioners and communities.

This is the second year in a row that MSB Animal Care and Regulation has hosted this important training, and it supports our role in the Borough’s emergency response plan. As it is open to anyone in the state of Alaska, we have had participants from as far away as Nenana in attendance. It has allowed us to network and collaborate with not only other State animal care agencies but many other departments and organizations from the USDA, State Department of

Health, the U.S. military, and many of our MSB CERT teams. We look forward to continuing this mutually beneficial relationship with the RDPC and hosting further trainings in the future.

Public Affairs Media Flyover:

Energy

- [Veterans of Alaska's oil industry look to blaze a renewable energy pathway in the State](#)
Frontiersman

Fishing

- [Coho Salmon Season Concludes with Diverging Regional Trends](#)
Seafoodnews

Assembly

- [Ten commandments historical documents to be displayed outside Mat-Su Assembly Chambers](#)
ADN
- [Putting US historical documents 10 commandments in Public Mat-Su Borough buildings](#)
Alaska News Source
- [Federal solid waste grants, community composting approved](#)
Alaska News Source
- [Assembly appoints new member for District 4 seat](#)
Frontiersman
- [A local developer is the newest member of the Mat-Su Assembly](#)
Mat-Su Sentinal

Community

- [Talkeetna radio station upgrades equipment](#)
Frontiersman

MSB Facebook

- [Assembly appoints new member](#)
Reach: 11.5k
- [Tax and LID Foreclosure](#)
Reach: 10k
- [1 Ship, 2 barges at Port Mac](#)
Reach: 42k

Future Events:

Sat., Oct. 28, 2024 from 10am – 2pm, Drug Take-Back Day, Fred Meyer (Palmer & Wasilla).

Thurs., Oct 31, 2024, 4pm – 6pm, Animal Shelter Annual Halloween Trunk or Treat. Over 130 members of our community have already RSVP'd to attend.