



Surprise start to our September newsletter! We are having the 2022 Wine Tasting event with a silent auction and a wine pull! Come celebrate with us on Friday, October 14 at 7pm at the Eagle River Lions Club. For those who do not drink we will have soft drinks and icy fruit punch to enjoy. Select the link below to go to our website where you can pay for a ticket(s) to the wine tasting. You can pay using credit cards, PayPal or Venmo. The reason for this fundraiser is explained below in the newsletter.

https://www.eaglelexit.com/wine_tasting_fundraiser.html

Our summer is ending and fall won't be here long, the fireweed is signaling to us that fall is in the air. I want to thank all our volunteers for their hard work at the Bear Paw festival and the parades this summer. Without our volunteers, our effort to govern our own communities would die. Thanks to all the community members supporting us at the Bear Paw and parades. Thank you for keeping the dream alive!

On returning to Alaska this month, I am so very proud of the hard-working volunteers that are nearing the completion of the Petition and Charter. Our lawyer is working very closely with us on completing the legal brief required in the petition. We want to have a solid document to turn into the Local Boundary Commission (LBC) for review. With these in hand, we will be taking the petition and charter to the public.

Presenting the petition and the charter to the public will be a monumental step towards giving the citizens of Assembly District 2(AD2) a clear choice. If you want to stay with Anchorage, don't sign the petition. You can sign the petition which will let the Alaska Constitution process work. With enough signatures and approval from the LBC, will allow all voting citizens living in AD2 a vote in the, LBC governed election, to stay with Anchorage or detach and incorporate our own government over our communities.

I have been asked on several occasions, why should I sign the petition to detach and incorporate our own governance in AD2? People are generally happy with life in Eagle River, Chugiak, Birchwood, Peter Creek, Hiland, Thunderbird Falls, and Eklutna. We enjoy our large homes and lots. Our roads are well cared for. Public Safety is not a problem in our communities. Most of our families have been happy with the education their children in our neighborhood schools. So why sign?

The complaints against the Municipality of Anchorage are never ceasing. I have listened to them, witnessed a few, and had my own complaints about their treatment of our communities. That does nothing to motivate me. What motivates me and our hard-working volunteers is giving our citizens the opportunity to vote whether to let Anchorage rule our communities or give our communities their own governance. A government that truly is representative of our communities. A government made of representatives from our local communities making local choices about our roads, parks, businesses, public safety. Most importantly, I want our communities to control our own education system in AD2. Those are the reasons I would sign the petition.

This process of writing a petition, including a charter and legal brief. Turning the petition into the LBC for review and getting their approval of content will allow us to take a completed document to the public. Then we will start collecting signature required by the LBC. When signatures are completed, we will turn in petition with signatures to the LBC for analysis and judgment. If they approve the petition the question will be taken to the Citizens of AD2 ONLY where public testimony sessions will be held by the LBC. With the approval of the petition, the LBC will have us vote in an election to determine if we will be allowed to govern ourselves with a new borough.

We are currently incurring legal expenses which have surpassed our current donation savings. We are in need of funding to pay for the current legal reviews and petition brief. I want to thank all that have contributed and contribute regularly. We will be planning some fundraising in the next months. I personally am going to up my monthly contribution the next couple months to insure we get a document out to the public. Please consider donating. PFDs have been delivered and I couldn't think of a more important and honorable cause to support. Thanks to all of you for your support to keep the Dream Alive!

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Please consider supporting the creation of the next new borough in Alaska. As anticipated by our founders, when communities grow and are ready to become independent, it is right that they do so. ***It takes all of us!***

Local Voices making Local Choices!

Donate at www.Eaglexit.com or use this QR Code

Thank you for joining us in this effort!

Sean Murphy, Chair

Sean Murphy came to Alaska in the Army. Met his wife and moved to Eagle River in 1999 with his family. He is a retired Anchorage School District educator and administrator. He is active with his community council and is the new chair of Eaglexit. He can be reached at Sean.Eaglexit@gmail.com or 907-632-5307.

