



October 2, 2002 City Hall
Delta Junction City Council
5:00pm Regular Meeting

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gilbertson called the regular meeting to order at 5:00pm. Present were Mayor Gilbertson, Lou Heinbockel, Mary Leith-Dowling, Susie Kemp, Henry Summers, Mark Weller and Ron Beck.

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA - APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Pat White requested to add the Election Report, swearing in of the Council members and an award presentation for Ron Lester.

Mark Weller asked to discuss the speed limit issue. Pete Hallgren stated there is no current news regarding the subject of the speed limit.

Mark Weller asked about a letter from Ted Hamilton, regarding repeaters. Heinbockel asked to discuss it under Public Works.

Hallgren requested to add two Executive Sessions, one at the very end of the meeting to discuss strategy on the million-dollar debt and the other before the Airport Resolution in regards to selling the airport lots.

Leith-Dowling moved to approve the agenda as amended; Heinbockel seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

ELECTION REPORT CERTIFICATION and OATH OF OFFICE

Pat White reported there were 59 votes cast in the October 1, 2002 City Council Elections. Of those votes, Lou Heinbockel received 55 votes with one write-in for Seat C. Ron Beck received 57 votes for Seat F. Fifty-seven voters showed at the Community Center polls and two voted absentee. One absentee ballot was not yet returned.

Heinbockel moved to approve the election report as presented; Leith-Dowling seconded.

Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

White presented the Oath of Office to Council members, Lou Heinbockel and Ron Beck.

RECOGNITION AWARD PRESENTATION

Mayor Gilbertson and Mary Leith-Dowling presented a plaque to Ron Lester as Leith-Dowling read the inscribed wording. She thanked Lester for his volunteer leadership in all the work completed at the Rest Haven Cemetery for the past two summers. Leith-Dowling expressed her appreciation for his organizing the project. She stated the work done would not have happened without his efforts and the fact that he made it a priority.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Heinbockel requested removing his name from discussion (pg 6) about a meeting with T.J.'s Land Clearing under discussion of Purchase Orders. Heinbockel stated he was not present, Dave Boadwine was.

Beck requested rewording in Additional Public Comments (pg 6) to read "Tana Wood suggested if the City winds up getting FY03 money as leftover FY02 money make sure it is *not* subject to the same restrictions as the 02 money."

Leith-Dowling questioned reporting under the Department of Economic Development Report. Discussion of unused FY02 money should read "instead of 9.6 million, it is possible to receive 17 million, not 19 million."

Heinbockel moved to approve the September 17, 2002 minutes as amended; Leith-Dowling seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

COUNCIL COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

Beck asked about the tabled discussion on hockey money. Heinbockel asked to discuss this during the hockey report.

REQUEST TO SPEAK

Dr. Andreassen requested consideration be given to use some impact funds for much needed expansion of the medical clinic. Some of the needs are a larger waiting room, an elevator, handicapped access and an educational classroom. Impact money should be spent on what would have long range impact. He stated he is a sole proprietor, not a non-profit corporate structure, and has no capacity to get grant money that is made available to non-profits. Andreassen estimated the projected addition to the medical facility will be \$200,000 to \$250,000 to add on 20 to 24 feet. As a businessman he can hold his own but is not willing to "bite the bullet" to borrow money for expansion, particularly if it is with a high rate of interest. Andreassen said, "As a community, we need to think in a new and creative way. How do we want to use this money and would we consider, in some capacity, giving it to private enterprise?" He said his clinic does have an impact on this community. "Let's say that 'Yes, that makes sense' and the Council would want to aid and help the medical services of this community. Then the question would be, 'How are we going to deliver the money to this program or enterprise that is here?'" Andreassen stated he is looking from a viewpoint of trying to survive financially and not adding a huge amount of additional costs to do that. He is looking, as would a non-profit organization, from a grant side as compared to a loan side. This is not something that the City had to do to go out and get the money. This is money that has been given to the community for the purposes of aiding the community. It would not particularly be where you would hand out money to anybody that comes along without any reassurance or some strings or something. If one is going to make it a loan, make it extremely comfortable, extremely low and extremely easy to manage. He doesn't know even then if he could accept that. He stated he doesn't know if he could handle that additional cash flow going out if it is strictly a loan for \$250,000. He suggested considering a program that says "if you establish a business, hold it together for 10 years, it's a forgiven loan." He stated that his way of thinking is that if he operates a business, through use of the impact money, for ten years he has aided this community to move through a transition and that money flows through the community as a business revolving process and the community would have gotten back what they invested. If there is a business that turns out not viable and 5 years later it goes belly up. Possibly an arbitration committee of three or four people

could decide if it was an honest effort. This committee should have reasonable accountability as to how the money should be spent. The concept of impact money is to stimulate the local economy, to help businesses who have been here hold together and help transcend the "flash-in-the-pan" increase in the amount of business activity that is occurring now and in the next year or two. Most of us think that there will be some leveling. It takes some time to get established, set roots and hold a business together. Andreassen stated he "is not here saying, 'Give me money.'" He is searching for it and is presently looking to see if private enterprises can get grant money. If we had the impact money though, he would be thinking about how to deal with spending it. Will it all go toward municipal activities or are we going to try to diversify that and move it into private enterprise as well as government enterprise? Andreassen stated it is clear to him that government enterprise normally does not make money. They spend it and they regulate how it is spent but government is not a moneymaking organization. There should be some thought in moving the impact money into arenas that would actually be moneymaking, rotating back through salaries and people. He wanted to put his thoughts in the hopper to give the Council another perspective that they may not have thought of. Once the impact money comes, he will be standing on the sidelines to see how it has been structured and see what is the best way for him to advance. Presently he does not have enough space.

Mayor Gilbertson stated he appreciated Andreassen's thoughts. He said the City does not have a check yet. When the impact funds do arrive there will be input from the City Council, a planning board, economic development, and input from the public. Decisions will not be based from the City Council alone. Gilbertson quoted Heinbockel, "Until we get it, make no plans."

Hallgren stated he would add more supporting information under his report. Loan and forgiveness could conceptually fit under one of the categories.

Andreassen stated his practice employs fifteen employees with two full time physician assistants joining him within the next month. Danielle Bullard will be here next Wednesday and Jeff Bulgar will come the first of November. Danielle's contract is for a minimum of one year and Jeff, two years. Katie Eggleston, a Family Practice physician, will possibly be here in March. Her husband will be employed at the Missile Defense for one and a half years and therefore they are trying to manipulate a way to be able to employ Eggleston along with the newly hired physician assistants. Andreassen said, "It would be a crying shame to have highly educated people come and then have to leave the community in search of work."

Chris McPeek introduced herself and Toni Gortmaker. McPeek stated they are concerned citizens and wish to inform and ask for support opposing a group of people who have purchased property on Trail's End road with the intent of having a strip club. McPeek stated she lives about half a mile from the proposed business. The area is a close-knit neighborhood with young children and teenagers. She stated she feels it would negatively impact the community. There would be potential for increased crime, drug trafficking and prostitution. She said she confronted the new property owner. He did not deny her concerns. She said she realizes that legally there is not much that can be done because the proposed business is outside any zoning areas, outside the City limits and there are no borough laws that can affect them.

McPeek stated they have been gathering signatures and informing the public of the club intentions. She stated the property has been purchased, the business license has been received but there is a financial problem which may hinder the renovation plans. They have been gathering signatures of support of not wanting the business to establish.

Kemp asked how many signatures had been received. McPeek was unprepared to give an answer but Kemp noted it "looked like a substantial amount."

McPeek said they would also be writing letters to senators and representatives of the Delta and Deltana areas, hoping for support.

Kemp asked if a liquor license has been obtained.

McPeek said that because of the new property owner's record, he is unable to get a license. However, the Clearwater Lodge is three quarters of a mile away. The traffic between will create an additional concern.

Heinbockel asked about the property. McPeek explained its location. The area is primarily residential.

Mayor Gilbertson and Kemp thanked McPeek for sharing the information.

NO CORRESPONDENCE

REPORTS

Rescue Squad - No report

Summers stated he would like to discuss an ambulance topic during the Executive Session.

Airport - No report

Cemetery - Mary Leith-Dowling said she investigated and if the City is to put an employee in charge of digging and closing graves the Ordinance will have to be changed.

City Clerk - Pat White asked Council members to edit changes to their personal information to update the City website along with the newly elected member's expiration dates.

Dept of Economic Development - Pete Hallgren reported the 2003 PILT money, which will be \$386,000 instead of \$325,000, is to arrive the 15th of this month. He asked, "Where is impact money?" The state has not received it yet. It must pass through the Secretary of Defense one more time. Details were needed that had not been previously requested. Mayor Gilbertson, Kemp and the library staff worked particularly hard providing information. Paperwork was to have gotten to General Kadish by Friday and then the Secretary of Defense next week. The total amount of money is in question because they are talking about individual programs needing custom paperwork. The possibility is that some of these programs may be cut or reduced.

Hallgren pointed out to the Mayor that EDA grant salary money is available now but will be running out soon. He stated his best guess is "impact money will be available in the near future".

Hallgren reported that a RFP was put out for an A&E firm and to date he has received six responses. He stated he would come to Council on October 15th with a recommendation.

Hallgren reported he had interviews with the two top planner candidates. Both Mayor Gilbertson and Ron Beck sat in on the interviews. Hallgren recommended offering the job to Dennis Dooley. Dooley is a long time Alaskan, he comes with experience and would be able to go to work right away, not requiring much in-house training. Hallgren asked for authorization to hire Mr. Dooley but not put him on board until we are assured of the impact funds. Until then we do not want to disturb his life even though he is ready to move now. The proposed salary will be \$55,000.

Beck said his recommendation would be to hire Mr. Dooley. He felt Dooley is well rounded in any area that would apply to a community and is a very sharp individual with a good sense of humor, which may be needed for this position.

Heinbockel moved to approve to hire Dennis Dooley based on a guarantee or receipt of impact funds; Kemp seconded.

Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

Hallgren discussed, as he did at the last meeting, the maximum of \$9,000 needed for aerial photography to produce a topographical map, which is necessary to design the potential landfill and to conduct the NEPA analysis that would need to be completed before the design is put out for bid. The window of opportunity is still open, as the snow has not fallen yet. Hallgren discussed federal dollars earlier in the meeting. He said we are still waiting for the first nickel. Presently, the City has advanced \$65,000 on the landfill project. This does not include the \$9,000 for the aerial photos. The test wells will be drilled in the next two days. The test pits came up good. If the test wells come up dry the recommendation will be to drill the two 6" X 100' steel casing test wells that will also be used for monitoring the landfill.

If the Council opts to not advance more funds, we can wait till spring. If photos are done now, the topographic maps can be done and then work on the NEPA analysis and putting the RFP out for design can be completed during the winter months. If we get this done now, we would still be on a potential path to construct next summer.

Weller asked about agreements with the Missile Defense for the use of the landfill. He also asked if we need them.

Hallgren stated we do not have use agreements yet. He added that we would not construct the landfill unless there was some form of income to make it viable.

Gilbertson said a joint agreement would be drafted once the money is received. Without an agreement for joint usage the City of Delta would still locate there, building the landfill, but would not have to build as big as originally planned.

Weller asked if we need a work session.

Hallgren stated before doing this, we need to find out what the DoD might want as well as be able to show what we're planning. Then we negotiate and if we can't work a deal, we come up with a different structure entirely. An agreement would be needed before it is put out for design and actual construction. The new planner will help out but the design will be put out for RFP. We presently have a conceptual design for the landfill.

Gilbertson reported Thomas Diviney and Debbie Sedwick signed the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA). It states \$18,300,000 will be transferred to the State of Alaska within 30 days of receipt of the letter.

Hallgren clarified that the State needs additional authority to receive the full amount. He said the State Budget and Audit Committee would meet tomorrow in a teleconference, giving the State authority to receive the full \$18,300,000. The problem is not with the State; it is with the Secretary of Defense.

Hallgren stated the aerial photos are not critical but will keep the project moving.

Weller asked for a signed letter of intent from the military or possibly having a work session.

Hallgren said giving them a copy of our concept is not necessary. They already have one. He also said the military is interested. He said it appears we are in line to receive the money for the landfill but we do not have it yet.

Cotten said as an observation it appears that we must "hurry up and wait". The military initiated the concept of the City taking over the landfill responsibilities, which they normally do, and then they line up the money. The City is caught in risk taking ventures.

Hallgren said he does not feel the City will not be reimbursed for these advanced funds. The MOA clearly states reimbursement can go back to October 2001.

Beck asked about continued discussion on this subject. What would be the difference if we get the photos now or wait till spring?

Hallgren stated by waiting it would slow the process down by the whole winter. It could be designed and put out to bid for actual construction by next spring. This does not mean that

the landfill would be completed by next summer. It means if we do not go forward with the aerial photos there is no chance for a landfill by next summer.

Kemp quoted one of her favorite saying from a former Post Commander, "No prudent man would hang his hat on what the Army would do." She said it should be "what the military will do." She said it makes her nervous the further we go with this project because there are no concrete answers given. "It is nothing to them and it's everything to us." She said she's hesitant to spend any more money until we know.

Mayor Gilbertson said he would be in meetings and a joint conversation with the Secretary of Defense in the next couple of days. He is comfortable in knowing the money for the landfill is coming. He is not comfortable that we will ever get a joint agreement. He said he would urge the City to go along with the additional \$9,000 proposal to move ahead because we expect to get hit hard with projects. We need to put up more trust. It will be ready for the Secretary to sign on Tuesday.

Hallgren said we should not have a cash flow problem assuming the impact money will be used for reimbursement for what has already been put out. Hallgren said he did not feel comfortable in pushing the Council to make a decision, taking a risk. It doesn't hurt a bit to discuss. He did pass this information onto Missile Defense, that we are a shoestring operation and are tired of waiting for funding.

Heinbockel asked, "Do we not have an option that must be exercised by December?"

Hallgren agreed, that if federal impact money does not arrive, we do not have the money to exercise the option to purchase the landfill property.

Gilbertson said we should ask for an extension on the option.

Weller moved to allocate \$9,000 for the aerial photo; Summers seconded.

Hallgren said the money would come out of reserves and would be reimbursed when impact funds are received.

Motion passed on a roll call vote with Heinbockel, Leith-Dowling and Beck opposing.

Richard Bonwell, Harding ESE engineer involved in the landfill studies, stated the window would close if the weather does not hold up. He said the second well hole would be made on Friday. After that the aerial photos can be taken.

Council members discussed the weather, Kemp saying she heard there was 4" of snow on Donnelly and Heinbockel saying it was snowing yesterday at the landfill site but not yet sticking.

Cotten reported that he, Mayor Gilbertson, Hallgren, the local Catholic priest, Father John, Dan Beck and two Russian gentlemen met today to discuss when and how many new Russian families are moving into Delta Junction. The housing issue is pinched, without considering how it will be next year when more refugees arrive. Nothing was solved at the table but a follow-up meeting will bring in people from areas of service in education and training to get a better handle of who is coming, where they are coming from, who is already here, how we can integrate them into training and jobs. The language barrier is a big issue. It is a subject that is not going away and is only getting more complex. The conclusions are "get in front of it" and do some problem solving.

Weller asked that the public health nurse and a couple social workers be included. He also asked for Paul Kulakavich, the Russian pastor.

Mayor Gilbertson said, according to Mr. Malyk, there are a little over one thousand immigrants in this community, many families still needing assistance.

Dr. Andreassen said he has about 1000 new charts and he anticipates another 500 in the next two years, most of them before summertime of next year.

Kemp asked Andreassen if he knows who is responsible for the increase in population. Andreassen said there are multiple sources. Some come as immigrants, some as refugees,

some come to other parts of the United States and later move to Delta. The most recent ones (30 or 50) are coming straight from Russia. Some can work, some cannot. He added what is happening is a crescendoing effect, moving at a faster and faster rate. Andreassen foresees the Russian community growing at a faster rate than anything else in the community and even long after anything with the missile base.

Cotten said Andreassen's interpretation is pretty accurate and similar to how it was presented at the meeting. The emphasis is why here and not somewhere else. They feel very alienated in the American cities. Therefore, the isolation and security in rural Alaska are very attractive and inviting. Couple that with cheap land, a generous welfare system and the PFD. Here, they are essentially left alone.

Weller asked about Wasilla. It seems there would be better services and more job opportunities in Wasilla.

Kemp said they could be more easily absorbed around the outlying areas of Anchorage than here. Here it will become a problem to provide services.

Cotten stated intentions are good. The Chamber has scheduled a meeting on November 5 to discuss the housing issue. We do not want to be a construction site but want to lure people into this community to be part of it.

Cotten said he and Dan Beck discussed partnership with the University, Boeing and Alaska Works to encourage local youth to get involved in the trades unions. Beck wants to start with Freshman level, if not lower. As things develop they will come back to the Council.

Kemp stated there are no telephone lines available in Delta. Firemen and EMS personnel must use radio phones. She questioned who would come up with the money to put the lines in. Kemp suggested the City investigate the problem with ACS. If the population continues to increase, from a business standpoint, more lines will be needed for expansion. Emergency services must have this service.

Finance - No report

Ron Beck said he talked to Dan Beck. He reported that he watched the project at the school in which AlaskaWorks is getting students involved in apprenticeship programs in the trades unions. The property is cleared and ready to get started first thing in the spring when the cement will be poured. They are in the process of taking applications and interviewing to hire for that job, to start the program on November 1. The second semester will see the start of the program. The school is not receiving funds either.

Hockey Rink - Lou Heinbockel stated the City cannot advance projected income from the federal government. But, with the extra (\$51,000) PILT money now available, Heinbockel would like to move funds. \$4,000 has already been encumbered to expand the player's boxes. Heinbockel said it is necessary to complete one piece of concrete so that dirt is not dragged onto the ice by the zamboni.

Heinbockel moved to amend the General Fund budget for the current fiscal year to allow \$5,000 to the Hockey Association for improvements and maintenance at the hockey rink; Kemp seconded.

Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

Landfill - Discussed under Dept of Economic Report

Lands - No report

Library - Mary Leith-Dowling reported on several items: There are two Library Board seats to be filled at the October 8 meeting. Story Hour will start back for the winter on October 9. Cindy Aillaud and the Delta Kiwanis will share reading duties. The Library Board will sponsor a show, the Red Hackle Pipe Band, at the Community Center on October 26. Bagpipes, drums and highland dancing will be featured. Leith-Dowling said a couple of the main players are librarians they know personally.

Leith-Dowling reported that Librarian, Joyce McCombs, and her husband were invited to participate in the UAF Read Out Program on September 27. It is part of Banned Books Week. Each reader chooses books to share with the audience and all over America the programs celebrate freedom to speak and to be heard. The story was on the 6:00 KTVF Channel 11 News the same evening. Joyce read from the children's book Slugs and her husband, Steve, read from A Brief Moment in the Life of Angus Bethune, a selection from Chris Crutcher's short story collection Athletic Shorts.

Park - No report

Personnel - No report

Public Health and Safety - No report

Public Works - Lou Heinbockel stated Kimball Street is currently being worked on and will be shut down for two days later this week. City equipment must be housed for the winter. And quotes are needed for heated rental space. Discussion followed. The little tractor needs a warm environment because it needs major overhauling. Decision was made to house the tractor in the Community Center garage.

Heinbockel asked if we are in the process of receiving quotes or bids for a loader.

Hallgren stated he is finishing up on the bid packets.

Weller read aloud an August 22 letter from Ted Hamilton, Deltana Fire Chief, regarding the downtown repeater problems.

Hallgren stated the 911 Dispatch was out for several days. It turned out the problem was at the local tower where our antenna is mounted, right next to the Deltana Fire Department repeater antenna. Our antenna on the 911 transmitter was bad. While up the pole they checked out both the City's and the Deltana antennas. Permission was gotten from Deltana to switch 911 to the Deltana antenna temporarily while a temporary replacement was put up. We need new coax cable and some new fittings for the City's antenna. The recommendation is to replace the coax for both antennas. The money would come from the EDA grant. Alascom will do the work. It will take 500 feet at \$4 per foot to purchase this cable. Overestimating the cost, Hallgren stated it will cost \$10,000, including the installation charges. Deltana has been running off of an Alascom battery.

Heinbockel explained the test samples at the Community Center came back with high coliform bacteria. Apparently a lot of water in Delta is high in iron-eating bacteria. The solution is to sanitize the system with Clorox.

Summers stated it is not the only facility that has gotten this same report in the last month. Council discussed the sanitation process. Signs to not use the tap water are posted. And purchased water was made available for the Elections and the Senior Center. Gallon jugs are being purchased until the water can again be used.

Hallgren said Bob will hopefully do this retest tomorrow. It is NOT a septic system problem.

OLD BUSINESS

- AML Conference to be held November 10-15 in Valdez

Hallgren said the training sessions are excellent and invited Council members to attend. Hotel accommodations need to be reserved. Hallgren, the newly hired planner, Dave Zimmerman and Pat White are planning on going. It will be worthwhile for anyone interested, particularly for first year of duties.

NEW BUSINESS

- Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance 2002-13, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 3.20 Delta Code of Ordinance for Fire Subscription Fees and Charges for Non-Subscribers

Summers moved to introduce and do a first reading of 2002-13 and also have the public hearing and second reading on October 15; Weller seconded.

Summers reported the Ordinance, requested by the Fire Chief, is in line with what Rural Deltana did, increasing non-subscriber fees (\$2,500 for resident and \$5,000 for commercial businesses). Discussion followed. Summers identified the Ordinance basically adds fees for non-subscribers. Subscription fees (\$50 for residence and \$100 for businesses) will remain the same as from the '70's.

Motion passed on a roll call vote with Heinbockel and Gilbertson opposing.

White asked Council to resolve a question presented to her. She stated she could not find documentation supporting the question if ambulance services were included in subscription for fire services. Council discussed and agreed that there has never been a time when the two were combined.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Weller moved to go into Executive Session at 6:45pm to discuss financial matters that may be detrimental to the municipality; Leith-Dowling seconded.

Summers moved to end the Executive Session at 6:58pm; Heinbockel seconded.

Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED

- Resolution 2002-19, A Resolution Amending Resolution 2002-11 Setting the Terms of the Sale of Delta Airport Lots

Weller moved to open discussion on sale of the airport lots; Beck seconded.

Hallgren explained two versions of the resolution. The newest correction was not in the agenda packets. He requested to ignore everything in the packets.

Weller said Lot 5, Block 2 needs to be added. He does not know how it disappeared off the plat. It is a 1.3 acre piece and a desirable piece of property. If the taxiway is being put in then sell this piece. Weller knows of one interested buyer.

Weller moved to sell (9) airport lots, with the prices quoted, on November 18; Beck seconded.

Heinbockel asked why the prices went down between Resolution 2002-11 and 2002-19.

Weller explained that the total cost for putting in the gravel for four lots and the power poles would only be \$15,000. Heinbockel agreed that the City does not intend to make money off the sale of the airport property. It now makes it more affordable.

Weller said these are beginning prices and minimum bids. He will see Art Saarloos and Jack Morris tomorrow.

Hallgren explained nine lots will be sold. Lots 1 and 2, Blocks 1 & 2 will be \$8,000 because they will be close to electricity and the taxiway, Lots 3 and 4 of Blocks 1 & 2 do not have electricity poles or the taxiway so will be \$7,000, Lot 5, Block 2 will be \$9,000 due to size and electricity. Lot 5 will be sold first. Buyers will have first option to purchase adjoining lots.

Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote and to proceed with the sale on November 18.

- Plat approval ~ IGA to purchase property from GVEA

Gilbertson stated IGA made a deal with Golden Valley to purchase 60 feet.

Hallgren explained Art Saarloos requested the City to merely approve the request.

Kemp motioned to approve the plat for IGA and GVEA; Weller seconded.

Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

- CC Waiver for Christmas Party on December 14, 2002

Heinbockel moved to approve waiving fees for the use of the Community Center for the purpose of having a Christmas Party for the community's children only if there is no cost to children and families but does not waive the fee for the cleaning deposit; Beck seconded.

Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

- Purchase Orders

- PO#07359 to Airport Equipment Rentals, Inc. in the amount of \$1,216.25 for equipment used on Emmaus Road
- PO#07360 to Airport Equipment Rentals, Inc. in the amount of \$4,114.32 for equipment used on Clinic Road, Emmaus Road, Mil-tan Road and at Rest Haven Cemetery
- PO#07361 to ACS in the amount of \$769.56 for Sept/Oct phone service
- PO#07362 to Galls Inc. in the amount of \$1,077.87 for Rescue Squad emergency warning lights
- PO#07363 to Guess & Rudd in the amount of \$805.58 for August legal services (Trash Ordinance Amendments)
- PO#07364 to Peter Hallgren in the amount of \$815.79 for Aug/Sept travel expenses
- PO#07365 to Kurt's Construction in the amount of \$647.50 for maintenance on Mil-Tan Road
- PO#07366 to W.S. Darley & Co. in the amount of \$714.85 for Fire Department Saberjet spray nozzle
- PO#07367 to Alaska State Firefighters in the amount of \$565.00 for fire training in North Pole
- PO#07368 to Harding ESE in the amount of \$2,284.25 for preliminary landfill site visit
- PO#07369 to Harding ESE in the amount of \$29,062.00 for environmental and engineering landfill examination on Waldo property

Kemp moved to approve payment of purchase orders 7359 through 7369; Summers seconded.

Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Weller moved to go into Executive Session at 7:20pm to discuss the City's million dollar obligation; Kemp seconded.

Kemp moved to come of Executive Session at 7:29pm; Leith-Dowling seconded.

Motion passed.

Mayor Gilbertson excused himself.

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED

- Request to adjust fees for ambulance services

Summers moved to adjust ambulance transport services (R02-14 and R02-63) due to economic hardship; Heinbockel seconded.

Motion denied with six members opposing. The Mayor was not present.

ADDITIONAL COUNCIL COMMENTS

Heinbockel stated more local residents are being hired at the Missile Defense base.

ADJOURNMENT

Summers moved to adjourn meeting at 7:36pm; Kemp seconded. Motion carried.