



City Council Minutes
August 16, 2005 ~ 5:00PM

Regular Meeting
City Hall, Delta Junction, Alaska

The regular meeting of the Delta Junction City Council was held on Tuesday, August 16, 2005 at City Hall in Delta Junction, Alaska. Mayor Gilbertson called the meeting to order at 5:06PM.

Council members present: Mayor Gilbertson, Mayor Pro tem Mary Leith-Dowling, John Sloan
Lou Heinbockel, Lynnetta Marcellus, Mike Tvenge

Council members excused: Leslie Feilner

City employees present: Pete Hallgren, Dave Zimmerman, Pat White

Six members from the community were also present.

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA ~ APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Gilbertson reported four purchase orders to add to *New Business*:

- ✓ PO#010153 to FundBalance Inc in the amount of \$2,474.00 for renewal of accounting software
- ✓ PO#010154 to GVEA in the amount of \$1,937.88 for July '05 electricity
- ✓ PO#010155 to Guess & Rudd in the amount of \$2,642.04 for legal services (personnel advice)
- ✓ PO#010156 to ACS in the amount of \$524.39 for August '05 library phones

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Leith-Dowling moved to approve the minutes from the August 2, 2005 Council meeting as presented; Sloan seconded. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

COUNCIL COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Gilbertson called for public and Council comments with none being offered.

REPORTS

Cemetery – Mary Leith-Dowling reported a Memorial Tree Park was established at the cemetery. The first tree, a weeping birch, was planted in memory of Linda Sorensen. The plan is to position trees near the edges of the cemetery on the east and west sides. The trees would eventually act as a buffer. Marking plates would be close to the ground and would not interfere with grass cutting.

City Clerk – Pat White reported the Declaration of Candidacy period for this year's election was August 25 through the close of business on Friday, September 9. Two Council members who planned to run again had picked up packets. White said suggestions were received to improve the City website and one of them was to post photos of Council members who currently serve the community.

Hallgren said it would be useful to the public, especially newcomers, to place a face with a name.

City Administrator – Pete Hallgren reported:

- He was to research what grant funding was available to use toward assisting the Deltana Fair with the permanent structure as voted on at the July 19, 2005 regular meeting. He said the \$7,500 might be taken from Rec Center funding but was told not from Social Services. Hallgren was scheduled to meet and discuss it with the State but it was postponed possibly until November. He would instead draft a letter requesting permission to use funds from the Rec Center and issue a check in the meantime from the general fund. He assumed authority from the Council to cut the check without passing it through the purchase order procedure since it was approved by motion at the July 19 meeting.
- Landfill rates were not ready to be discussed in detail but he felt \$85/ton was extremely reasonable. Presently the City was subsidizing the landfill with \$100,000 and it was operating at a loss and no profit. Hallgren said \$85/ton was considerably less than what it would cost to haul garbage to Fairbanks (\$110/ton - FSNB charge). He explained in depth the confusion in weight difference and the conversion factor in cubic yards versus actual weight. Operating costs could not be cut because 1 1/4 full-time equivalent employees were needed at the landfill and the operation itself was at a higher level of State DEC compliance standards. Hallgren said it was possible to hold the \$85/ton-rate if more cubic yards were delivered than last year and that was probable because of the increased construction in the area. He said he hoped to have only one full-time employee (FTE) starting the next fiscal year and would also like to maintain one evening a week in which the landfill would be open to the public. Hallgren said he was working on addressing the increased costs that were recently issued by Delta Sanitation.
- The Alaska Railroad would have representation at the August 19, 20, 21 Deltana Fair. He encouraged the public to visit the booth if they were interested in how the railroad would affect our area. He invited Council members to join the RR rep, Mayor Gilbertson and himself at 10:30 on August 19 in the City Hall conference room.
- Hallgren participated in the Cooperative Extension Farm Tour last week and said it was so informative that he would recommend it to everyone who has not gone. The Farmer's Coop was interested in the potential for a railroad.

School Liaison – Lynnetta Marcellus reported school would not open until September 6 because the lawn at the new elementary had not quite been established and classroom desks and cafeteria tables had not arrived. She said tutoring would be provided for students preparing for the High School Graduation Qualifying Exam in October.

DREDC – Mike Tvenge reported the August 15 Delta Regional Economic Development Council (DREDC) meeting was postponed to August 22 because the VISTA volunteer would not arrive until the end of August. A meet-and-greet was scheduled for 6:00PM on August 29 at City Hall.

Library – Mary Leith-Dowling reported:

- The library board purchased hearth rocks for the fireplace and Alex & Sons would install them during fair weekend. Rasmuson Grant funds covered the cost of materials and labor. The library would be closed during the rock installation, Thursday through Sunday.
- Summer Reading participants would be in the Deltana Fair parade on Saturday, August 20 displaying their giant Chinese Dancing Dragon they built in July with Nancy King.
- The Sorensen family donated many books to the library that fit into the available collection. Leith-Dowling said library staff and board wished to publicly thank Sorensen's for the donation.

Park – Lynnetta Marcellus, reporting in Leslie Feilner's absence, stated alcohol consumption at the park was a concern.

Gilbertson said he would like the City Code to restrict drinking in the park because of the effect on children and the liability to the City. Ruling against drinking may give the Alaska State Troopers (AST) leverage to enforce it.

Marcellus said posting a sign stating “as per ordinance” would do that. The current code stated, “...no person shall be under the influence of intoxicating liquor....”. She said that wording was non-explicit. Discussion followed regarding amending the ordinance.

Hallgren said he would draft a first reading of an ordinance for the next meeting on September 6. He noticed the dumpster was three-quarters full of beer cans two days ago when he passed through the park. Hallgren said the cost of porta-potties was not an inconsequential cost but it should be a consideration for next year’s summer season.

Discussion followed regarding shopping for other porta-potties and keeping business in Delta.

Hallgren reported two incidents at the park in the past two weeks: One child had to be cut out of a swing because of being age inappropriate. Several children received multiple wasp stings while playing in the wooded area near the playground.

Discussion followed regarding use of BB guns and destruction of personal property near the park and enforcing park hours.

Heinbockel said the City lacked the ability to enforce anything.

Recreation – Mike Tvenge reported Alaska Mechanical, Inc. was still using the rink for their storage and would be through August. He said he visited the Treadwell Arena in Juneau, which was 3-years old and very similar to the local rink. He would be in communication with them to understand what they’ve experienced and what we should avoid. Tvenge said, regardless of the new zamboni facility, the Delta Skating Association (DSA) requested constructing an arctic entryway onto the main entrance and a waiting area onto the existing building. The Juneau rink had a simple open foyer for their waiting area. It would resolve the glaciations issue and provide a safe waiting area. He asked to finish concreting the (12’ X 75’) walkways in front of the bleachers by adjoining the two that link the locker rooms to the ice. Doing that would alleviate some of the gravel problems. Matting was already purchased. Cementing the area where the zamboni enters the rink would be a benefit also. Tvenge asked if it could be accomplished this year.

Hallgren said impact funds that were dedicated to the rec center would pay for it but there would be a problem if it were later decided to have refrigerated ice.

Heinbockel said it was agreed that there would never be refrigerated ice in that building.

Tvenge said the Skating Association had \$1,500 available credit at Delta Concrete. He also said the sign issue had come up again because there were a lot of new people in town that do not know the rink location. The association asked for the sign to include the capabilities of providing announcements and coming events. Cancelled games or change of game time would be good examples of needed public information.

Heinbockel asked Tvenge to appoint someone to come up with a cost factor for laying cement, do the research needed and present it to Council in order to get the work completed by October.

Discussion followed regarding different types of signs being well lit or computerized or simply manually changed.

Hallgren asked for the Skating Association to present a plan in order to get quotes from local concrete businesses. He said hiring a temporary employee would be easier than bidding out the labor. The plan should include building the forms, setting the rebar, and an estimate of the amount of concrete.

Heinbockel volunteered to help with the labor and asked that others from the community do the same.

Tvenge said he agreed with the concept but felt other projects were completed without volunteers. It was unfair for those associated with skating to be expected to provide labor on a volunteer basis.

Hallgren said he would have to ask the engineers about the arctic entrances, if they would be considered rink improvements that would require the approval of the fire marshal.

Discussion followed regarding completing the work and possible associated liabilities.

Public Health & Safety – John Sloan asked about the status of renovating the old fire station into the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and about the Emergency Coordinator (EC) job description.

Hallgren said renovations were designed and the work evolved around Bob Morley's time. The work was postponed until September. There was a notional budget of \$10,000 for the renovation project. The EC position description was still in the hands of City Attorney Jim DeWitt.

Heinbockel said the electrical costs at the old fire hall were exorbitant and would be further addressed under *Purchase Orders*.

Public Works – Lou Heinbockel continued discussion from the last meeting. He said he observed permanent speed bumps with built-in reflectors that were placed in 20mph residential areas in Valdez.

Heinbockel, referring to the August 1 letter from Delta Sanitation that customers received today, explained the price increase rationale, as he understood it. He did not appreciate that Delta Sanitation referred to the City as the “bad guys” and said the City had charged rates he felt were very reasonable. He said if Delta Sanitation were correct that a 30-gallon bag of garbage averages 60 pounds, then 260 pounds would be generated from one household in one month for a tipping fee to the City of \$11.05. If a 30-gallon bag would not normally hold 60 pounds then Delta Sanitation would be making money at the City's expense and blaming the City for it. He recommended local residents separate and haul their own garbage (that could not be burned).

Department of Transportation (DOT) Liaison – Mary Leith-Dowling reported the State had funding for crosswalks near the new elementary school but not until next year.

Discussion followed regarding children crossing Nistler Road, bussing or escorting students between the two schools, yield signs versus marked crosswalks and possibly removing the fence around the old playground area.

Tana Wood said the elementary gymnasium would not be finished so students would need to cross the road temporarily.

Hallgren said there are DOT marking standards that need to be adhered to should the City take action.

Gilbertson suggested the City write a letter to the State requesting emergency crosswalk signs be posted.

Heinbockel said children should not be allowed to cross that road even with monitors; there should never be any youth foot traffic between those two schools.

Discussion continued regarding funneling students during recess or skating events at the rink and understanding the intent of the school.

Leith-Dowling stated she would contact Gene Eggleston at DOT.

Marcellus said she would contact DGSD Superintendent Dan Beck.

Heinbockel said something more than yield-to-pedestrians signs were needed. Speed limit signs were not necessarily obeyed but the stop signs were.

Sloan said the school district and the City Council should work together to deal with the problem. He said he felt the crosswalk should include flashing yellow lights and was curious how the flashing lights near the Salcha School were installed, whether initiation came from the school or the State.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Reducing Minimum Price of Certain City Lots

Hallgren explained that at the August 2 Council meeting Chris Webb asked Council to consider cutting the price on two South Clearwater lots if he purchased two at the regular price (\$4,000 each). He explained the auction and over-the-counter selling process. Lots could be sold for not less than the appraised price. Some lots were appraised many years ago. One would think that property appraised in 1985 would have increased in value by now. In July 2003 all over-the-counter parcels were increased 200% of the last appraised value. There had been interest in the past from the school district wanting to build homes on those lots but none recently. The question was if Webb could purchase two more lots at a reduced rate.

Heinbockel said some land does not sell no matter what its price. He suggested a fall clearance sale by offering the sale of 3 lots at the current price and giving the fourth *adjoining* lot for free; basically buy four lots for the price of 3.

Hallgren asked to not leave any orphan lots.

Heinbockel said the land had not sold for 20+ years and he thought it best to sell it to any interested buyer so that the money could be deposited into the City's Permanent Fund. \$12,000 in the bank was better than none. The 90-day clearance sale would be no different than selling cars.

Sloan said he liked the idea of negotiating but thought it could get out of hand. He asked if it should have a time limit applied.

Heinbockel said the land was virtually valueless unless more than two lots were purchased. More than two would make the property substantial enough to own. Over 20 years ago the legislature intended to get property in the hands of the people, with local government doing disposal and earning a profit. Some parcels sold in the 80's but due to the economy many were forfeited back to the City. Some have had no interest from anyone. He asked to continue discussion at the September 6 meeting with a map showing the properties for sale.

Alcohol Consumption at the City Park

See discussion under *Park Report*

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2006-01, A Resolution Requesting FY06 PILT Funding from DCED

Leith-Dowling moved to adopt Resolution 2006-01, A Resolution Requesting FY06 Payment in Lieu of Taxes Funding from the Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development; Heinbockel seconded.

Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

Hallgren stated PILT was the City's major income but the amount was not yet known. \$450,000 was budgeted for FY06 and the actual amount is estimated to be \$465,000. PILT is issued in mid-October.

Adding Lots to Over-the-Counter Sale List

Hallgren explained the land (Block 11, Lots 7-14, West Addition, Delta Junction Townsite, Plat 63-7859) appeared to have been originally sold at auction and repossessed for non-payment. He referred to his August 12 memo to the Council that asked if these lots were to be made available for public over-the-counter sale and for what price. He explained past history and the reason some property ownership was unknown. Our normal sale procedure is that title search (preliminary commitment) monies are collected from the buyer along with the total purchase cost of the property. When it is proven that the City has clean title, the sale is brought before Council for approval and the title search is converted into title insurance for the purchaser. If the City does not have ownership, the title search payment is returned to the buyer who opts out. Otherwise the City would have to front the money for title searches on lots that may never sell. Hallgren recommended making these lots available by setting a price and the opening sale date for 8:00AM, Friday, October 14.

Heinbockel moved to add Lots 7-14 of Block 11, of the West Addition, Delta Junction Townsite, Plat 63-7859 to the disposal list of over-the-counter sales, price the lots at \$3,000 each (200% of the last appraisal in 2001) and make them available to the general public, first come, first served, on October 14, 2005; Leith-Dowling seconded.

Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

Ambulance Services

White reported \$47,164 was collected between July 1, 2004 and June 30, 2005. \$70,000 worth of ambulance services was provided in that fiscal period. Out-of-pocket operating expenses totaled \$35,450. White, referring to a spreadsheet showing other communities along the road system and what they charged, stated Delta Rescue Squad ambulance charges (\$350 for ALS and BLS callouts) were less than what Medicare allowed (\$667.66 for ALS and \$562.24 for BLS). Medicare allowed \$5.96 for mileage and Delta charges \$3.00. Tok, Glennallen and Nenana raised their rates within the last year, to align them closer to Medicare's fee schedule.

Sue Miller said Squad members work on a voluntary basis and did not want to gouge the community. However, it cost \$115 to fuel the ambulance for two recent runs. Cost of providing service had

increased because of recent fuel increases. Homeland Security and the new radio systems had enabled the Rescue Squad to have their own repeater and dispatch system. They will eliminate problems in sharing frequencies and provide better communication capabilities but there would be an additional cost associated with the new repeater.

Hallgren said there would be a substantial on-going expense for the new repeater, mostly from the phone company. Not all costs are charged to the Rescue Squad or Fire Department budgets. The general fund pays \$10,000/year just for North Pole dispatch and dedicated phone lines run an additional \$800/month. The City also provides free dispatch to the Deltana Fire Department. A separate Rescue Squad repeater will mean those on the fire departments will not be awakened for ambulance calls. Hallgren said ambulance fees had not increased in Delta since 1995 and the new expenses were reasonable considerations.

Miller said the squad had always stood against raising costs but now supported increasing rollout fees to what is considered reasonable under national standards. She explained rollout and mileage fees.

White explained that Delta had always charged one transport fee for runs that involve stopping at the clinic for evaluation and/or stabilization before being transported onto the airstrip or hospital. All other ambulance services charged for two transports, which is allowed. Problems in ambulance billing deal mostly with Medicare's refusal to consider transports between a patient's residence and the local clinic if treated and released. A physician's office in rural areas is not a covered destination. It makes no difference that there is a 100-mile distance to another medical facility. Medicare refuses to cover the transport from residence-to-physician's office. White explained some differences in Medicare coverage, Medicaid, Tri-Care, auto insurances, private payers and Chief Andrew Isaac (Native health).

Hallgren said the recommendation would be to charge at least what is allowed. Out-of-pocket expenses do not include a sinking fund to replace ambulances and equipment and, in the past year, electricity and heat of the Rescue Squad facility (because of building construction).

Heinbockel proposed to prepare an ordinance to increase transport fees from \$350 to \$650 and mileage from \$3.00 to \$5.00.

Discussion followed regarding Delta's billing compared to how other community's bill for the same services and the collection process.

Sloan said he disagreed with raising prices for the sake of raising prices.

Miller reported the new ambulance was a "lemon" and was still being repaired under warranty. Medic I and Medic II were both in good shape.

Heinbockel said he thought it was commendable that the Rescue Squad pays their own way in providing service to the community. He said it was very easy to oblige in approving anything they ask for. Furthermore, the City will never deny medical service based on whether or not anyone could afford to pay. He said if Medicare and Medicaid feel rates are reasonable then the City should charge reasonably.

Leith-Dowling said she would like to see more training to increase squad membership so that those that do serve are not relied on so heavily.

Purchase Orders

PO#010116 to ACS in the amount of \$890.37 for August '05 phone service

PO#010117 to ATT in the amount of \$880.03 for August '05 911 phones and Donnelly power

PO#010118 to Brodart Company in the amount of \$568.80 for annual lease of library "revolving"

McNaughton books

PO#010119 to Carns General Contractors in the amount of \$2,023.00 for gravel used in new library parking lot

PO#010120 to Delta Fuel in the amount of \$910.10 for diesel used in landfill equipment

PO#010121 to Follet Software Company in the amount of \$1,247.74 for renewal of library circulation software

PO#010122 to Follet Software Company in the amount of \$6,286.44 for library front desk scanners to check in (and check out) books

PO#010123 to Government Computer Sales Inc in the amount of \$8,595.00 for library computers

(one laptop and three desktop computers)

PO#010124 to Guess & Rudd in the amount of \$5,168.23 for July '05 legal services (Emergency Coordinator description for Code of Ordinance, Deltana Charter Commission and Pogo PILT agreement, and landfill dispute between UNIT and Alaska Unlimited)

PO#010125 to Joslin Enterprises in the amount of \$2,533.34 for Aug '05 cemetery maintenance

PO#010126 to Powerhouse Signs in the amount of \$1,087.50 for new landfill signs and bases

PO#010127 to Weidner Construction in the amount of \$4,125.00 for rent of porta-potties between 5/20 and 7/29 and repair of broken pipes and septic system at park pavilion

PO#010128 to Mark Weller in the amount of \$1,166.68 for August '05 park lawn maintenance

PO#010129 to Pat White in the amount of \$2,481.51 for ambulance billing services

PO#010130 to Willis of Alaska Inc in the amount of \$7,425.00 for renewal of airport insurance

PO#010153 to FundBalance Inc in the amount of \$2,474.00 for renewal of accounting software

PO#010154 to GVEA in the amount of \$1,937.88 for July '05 electricity

PO#010155 to Guess & Rudd in the amount of \$2,642.04 for legal services (personnel advice)

PO#010156 to ACS in the amount of \$524.39 for August '05 library phones

Leith-Dowling moved to approve purchase orders 010116 through 010130 and 010153 through 010156 as presented; Heinbockel seconded.

Tvenge, referring to 010119, asked if the library parking lot gravel was not part of the contractor's work.

Hallgren said it was not. However, \$5,500 was being held on the library contract because of three remaining punch list items. An agreement was reached in which UNIT would pour a sidewalk around the hump where the fuel tank is filled. They would extend the well casing to meet DEC standards (must be at least a foot above the ground). UNIT also agreed to complete warranty work to repair a couple hot water heaters under the sinks. Hallgren said the final pay request from UNIT would be presented at the September 6 meeting.

Heinbockel stated (\$2,023) gravel, groundwork and other details are paid out of federal impact funds when it could be used in other areas. He then referred to PO#010155 and said he was uncomfortable paying for general legal services that he was not aware of.

Hallgren said he would meet privately or explain it in an Executive Session.

Discussion followed and an Executive Session was scheduled at the end of tonight's meeting.

Sloan asked about ACS phone bills (1010116 and 010156).

Hallgren said the monthly fee included one DSL hookup, \$80 each, for City Hall (staff computers) and the library (staff and public computers). The DSL feature allowed voice or fax messages without tying up another phone line. He said the library also dropped two phone lines.

Tvenge asked if the septic pipe at the park did not undergo repairs in the past few years.

Hallgren said breaks in the cast iron pipe were in two separate spots. They were repaired along with the underground electrical feed, once it was located in the process.

Heinbockel said initially a holding tank was installed and it was pumped periodically. Later it was replaced with a septic and leach field. However, the ground does not leach well. He said he had thought it would be less expensive to rent porta-potties but he was reconsidering that in lieu of receiving the bill (PO#010127) for those that were used while the plumbing was being repaired.

Discussion followed regarding the breakdown of the bill and it was decided that \$300/month was charged to rent portable outhouses.

Heinbockel referred to 010154 and said the electricity bill was too high during the summer months.

Discussion followed regarding renting storage space versus moving equipment into the old fire station.

Dave Boadwine stated the old fire station was not in a condition to move into and he felt it would be a serious mistake. He suggested clearing the pipes and using the building for cold storage. The bays could be used to keep sand (needed for winter road maintenance) from moisture.

Discussion followed regarding using the old fire station office for the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Emergency Operations Center (EOC).

Heinbockel said he was reluctant to stop renting space.

Sloan asked for a work session.

Hallgren said he would not make changes to move equipment into the old fire station and would not stop the rental agreement. However, continued warm storage rent was not included in this year's budget.

Motion passed on a roll call vote with five (Leith-Dowling, Marcellus, Sloan, Tvenge, Gilbertson) voting in favor and one (Heinbockel) voting against.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Tana Wood suggested collecting ambulance subscriptions similar to the revenue brought in by the Fire Department and Guardian Air. She said there would be issues related to students crossing Nistler Road but most would be during unrelated school activities and bus hours. A crosswalk would be helpful but speeding was a big concern and the issue really belonged to the community as a whole.

Sloan suggested a raised section, maybe 20 feet, that would encourage drivers to slow down.

Wood said the new playground would be popular and well used.

Gilbertson said he felt the crosswalk should be an obligation of the State. It should not be a school issue or a community problem because construction of the Nistler Road was the State's responsibility.

Butch Ellis suggested a bridge similar to what the State built for Lathrop in Fairbanks.

Janet Boyer asked how much money was in the rec center fund.

Hallgren said a substantial amount was available but not enough to complete the 1999 hockey rink plan. The grant will currently expire June 30, 2006 but the money would not lapse for four more years. It was well known that an extension beyond 2006 would be needed and will be requested.

Dave Boadwine reported the old landfill was near closure, including the septic pits. Northwest of the fence was developed so that there was 3 or 4 acres of gravel and topsoil. The remaining 17 acres is totally undeveloped topsoil. Boadwine inquired about landfill rocks that were recently donated to the school.

Hallgren reported forty were authorized to donate to the school. (Twenty were authorized at the July 5 Council meeting and another 20 were authorized after a phone poll on August 3. Messages were left for Marcellus and Tvenge. Otherwise the vote was unanimously in favor.) Of the forty rocks, Hallgren said he understood two were fractured. No further rocks were to be sold or donated without Council reviewing their sale price.

Boadwine said rocks were of value, especially if buyers were transporting 80 of them to Eielson. He said the landfill end dump could hold 25,000 to 30,000 pounds of rock in one load.

Hallgren reported software was being installed at the landfill scale house and would take three days to complete. He said it would cost \$200,000 to install a phone line so that information could be transmitted from the landfill to the city office. They would simply hand carry the information on a floppy disk.

Discussion followed regarding the cost to deliver garbage at the new landfill.

Heinbockel said he felt the City needed to respond to Delta Sanitation's letter that was addressed to their customers. He said he had never utilized the service because he always hauled his own garbage. The most recent trip cost him \$23 to dump a heaping load of wet insulation and wood, which he considered extremely reasonable.

Sloan said he hauled 1,200 or 1,300 pounds of fry oil and paid \$42.

Hallgren said he would draft a letter in response to the August 1 letter from Delta Sanitation.

Gilbertson asked that the Waldo phone be transferred 3/4 of a mile to the new landfill.

Hallgren said the problem appeared to be the exchange through Ft. Greely and he was currently investigating it. He thought there was a way of getting local (895) numbers installed. Delta Sand & Gravel, located near the landfill, have a tellular phone that would allow local calls. Hallgren reported a plan needed to be customized to deal with septic haulers needing access to pits during non-business hours when operators were not available to run the scale house.

Heinbockel said haulers should have access but a full tank should be charged if they could not work within landfill hours.

Boadwine said it would take 2 to 3 hours of overtime to assist a septic hauler during non-work hours.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Sloan moved to enter into Executive Session at 7:42PM (after a 5-minute break) to discuss attorney fees and matters that may prejudice the finances of the municipality; Leith-Dowling seconded. Motion carried.

Present during the Executive Session were Gilbertson, Leith-Dowling, Heinbockel, Marcellus, Sloan, Tvenge, Hallgren and White.

Sloan moved to come out of Executive Session and reconvene the regular meeting at 8:14PM; Marcellus seconded. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Marcellus moved to adjourn; Sloan seconded. Motion carried.

Pat White

City Clerk

Date of approval: September 6, 2005