

**CALL TO ORDER** Bruce Nerby called the regular Port Commission meeting of June 15, 1992, to order at 7:35 p.m.

**ROLL CALL** Present: Bruce Nerby, Allen DeSousa, Grant Fairbanks, John Hawkins, Manny Konig, Buster Richardson. Also present were: Port Director - Stuart Greydanus and Suzanna Maloy. Guests present were: Jerry Galliard (KTC), Jim Lafavor and John Acre (Inlet Salmon).

**APPROVAL/MINUTES** M/M by Fairbanks, 2nd by Hawkins to approve minutes. Voice vote. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL/AGENDA** M/M by Konig, 2nd by Fairbanks to approve the agenda. Voice vote. Motion carried unanimously.

**PORT DIRECTOR REPORT** Port Director report submitted to commission in writing. Port Director also elaborated on issues regarding:

A. Small boat harbor:

1. Small boat ramp is in need of some type of repair. The dredging this winter created a big hole in which boat trailers get stuck when boats are being launched. Greydanus reported that the public works department will aid in putting gravel to patch up the holes. Question was raised whether to close the ramp. It was concluded that a verbal warning would be given during the "Talk to Talk" radio program.

2. Finger floats have been repaired and permanent anchors were put in. There is a need for more finger floats; Greydanus is researching some grant monies that might be available.

B. Kuskokwim Fisherman's Co-op:

1. Yute Biat will moor at the seawall on 6/1/92.

2. The co-op has a commitment for 300,000

M/M by Hawkins, 2nd by Konig to accept Port Directors Report. Voice Vote. Motion carried unanimously.

**COMMENTS OF  
COMMISSIONERS**

Fairbanks had questions regarding the removal of derelict boats in the slough and along river. Greydanus reported that the Coast Guard is looking into the matter. The final suggestion was that Greydanus research the matter to determine whether this is included in the Port Ordinances and report on it at the next meeting.

**COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE  
REPORT**

Wintersteen was absent.

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

There was no report.

**PEOPLE TO BE HEARD**

A. John Acre from Inlet Salmon was present to ask for some type of relief on the wharfage fee charged on fish outbound. His reasoning was as follows:

1. Inlet contributes to Bethel's economy by employing local people.
2. Trumper boats will continue to pay dockage fees.
3. Inlet is the only processors paying for both dockage and wharfage.

B. Inlet also asked that herring be taxed at a different rate from salmon. The argument was that the city is making as much money as Inlet on inbound and outbound herring.

C. Greydanus reported that he is charging the same as other ports.

D. Nerby suggested further discussion on subject for next meeting. The change will not affect any current billing to Inlet Salmon.

M/M by Richardson and 2nd by Hawkins to add to next months agenda: Request of Inlet Salmon for some type of wharfage fee relief on fish. Voice Vote. Motion carried unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS**                      None

**NEW BUSINESS**

A. Change in boat removal procedure.

1. Jerry Galliard of Kuskokwim Transportation Company suggested that the Port (City of Bethel) be responsible for collection of money from boat owners to removal and put boats in the water. KTC would actually do the work and would charge the City a fee based on the procedure used. Galliard's argument was that the dock should be clear for operation by June 1st of each year. he stated that too often people want to leave their boats on the dock which hampers freight removal.

2. It was mentioned that D&G Services should have some input on the issue since they are also in the business of moving small boats.

3. The suggestion was to change the current storage agreement to include fees for taking out, putting in the boat and the first month of storage.

4. Galliard also suggested that the storage agreement contain language that had one rate for removal of boats by June 1st and another rate for boats moved after that date. Any boat moved at a later date would then be moved to the back of the dock and charged an additional rate for the additional moving. This would work as an added incentive for the owner to have the boat ready to put in the water by June 1st. The date to take boats out of the water would be October 1st of each year.

M/M by Richardson, 2nd by Hawkins to add to next meeting's agenda the issue of changing the storage agreement to include removal fees.  
Voice Vote. Motion Carried.

M/M by Desousa, 2nd by Konig to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned 8:36 p.m.  
Voice vote. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

8:36 P.M.