

September 20, 1999
Port Commission Minutes

- I. **CALL TO ORDER**
Chairman Richardson convened the meeting at 7:35 p.m. in the City dock Office, Bethel, Alaska.

- II. **ROLL CALL**
Present: Richardson, Kreider, Leary and Rogers
Absent: DeSousa
Also Present: Elliott and Walsh

- III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
Motion made by Kreider to approve the minutes. The motion was 2nd by Leary the motion carried unanimously.

- IV. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
The agenda was approved stands as is.

- V. **PORT DIRECTOR'S REPORT**
Elliott informed the commission the security cameras for the dock facility had been ordered and installation began on Monday September 20, 1999. There will be 7 cameras. The pole located in the mid-dock area was replaced with a 50' pole and will have 2 cameras on it. Two additional cameras will be installed on the light pole on the south side of the office, 2 by Kuskokwim Lighterage & 1 by the west fence facing east. This will provide a view of the entire dock area. Each camera will transmit approximately 5 seconds alternately; we can adjust the length of transmission time if needed. There will be a split screen viewer.
The dock has received \$16,038.00 in gravel from Faulkner Walsh Construction in the past few days; this will be applied against their existing dock account. A larger dumpster has been requested to be put by the dock office and the smaller dumpster now at the office will be moved to the general by Crowley's office.

- VI. **COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT**
Rogers brought forth concerns about Faulkner Walsh Cons.'s use of land at beach 2. The Port Director assured him, this has been measured and Faulkner Walsh Constructors is being charged for all the area they are using. Rogers had good comments on the roads.

VII. COMMENTS OF COMMISSIONERS

Leary- Howard has been doing a lot of work on the dock surface and it is looking good except for being muddy. Was glad we were going to have cameras soon.

Kreider- Is happy about cameras, good job. Commented Howard is doing a good job. Agrees dump truck was good buy, council agreed to keep port vehicles exclusively for port use, not available to other depts. of the city.

Rogers- Stated specifically that port vehicles were to remain for port use only unless they get prior approval from the Port Director or City Manager. Howard suggested we trade public utilities the terex for the city's 950 since they are getting a 966 from Red Samm, this would be an advantage for both and would help eliminate the public works need of out equipment.

Faulkner Walsh's use of city property was mentioned again. We are collecting space use fee and wharfage and dockage from them. More than we get from other construction company's in Bethel. We do not need the same quality gravel for our use as is required for streets.

*** * Motion made by Rogers to increase the budget allotment for gravel to \$100,000 to be purchased from Faulkner, seconded by Kreider, all approved, motion passed.**

Richardson- has heard lots of good comments on the work Howard is doing and Howard deserves a pat on the back.

City council has again delayed decision on the purchase of the crane from Crowley, all were in agreement the city needs to pursue this. The port of Bethel needs to provide this service, and if we do not buy this crane at the exceptionally good price they are willing to sell it to us for, Northland services plans to buy it. Chances are if Northland purchases the crane it will not be kept in Bethel. A raise in the rates would need to be increased. It can be used for seawall maintenance also.

Leary- voiced concern over Yutana Barge Lines transferring fuel downriver and not thru the petro port, this is causing the city to loose money.

To make sure the information that the dock now has security cameras it was suggested we put a sign on the gate & put an ad in the newspapers in discussion this was decided against and no need to advertise.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

IX. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

None

X. OLD BUSINESS

None

XI. NEW BUSINESS

Time/location clocks. As there has been some problem in the past with the graveyard attendant staying awake, it was suggested the Port get time clocks. By requiring the attendant to unlock a box and use the key in the box to set a time and location on a time clock he would carry, we would know when each area was checked.

Discussion on the possibility of offering a \$1000.00 reward for the arrest and conviction of anyone breaking phone's at the small boat harbor or destroying or taking life rings.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Rogers to adjourn the meeting. The motion was 2nd by Kreider and passed unanimously.