

## **Public Works Committee Minutes**

**Regular Scheduled Meeting May16, 2000**

**CITY SHOP, CONFERENCE ROOM**

**12:00 PM**

### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Paul O'Brien at 12:07 PM.

### **II. ROLL CALL**

Present: P. O'Brien, K. Murphy, J. Drake, G. Vanasse, L. Bradbury,  
L.Elena Etcitty, G.Tarr

Absent: None

Others Present: Clair Grifka Public Works Director, Debbie Lee, O.N.C.

### **III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion approved - unanimous.

### **IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion approved – unanimous.

### **V. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD**

Debbie Lee is still interested in becoming a member, it was suggested that maybe she could be an exofficio member.

### **VI. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

No report this meeting.

### **VII. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Clair Grifka went over the managers report of May 11, 2000, that was passed out to the Committee members. Mr. Grifka reported that there are still problems with the plumbing at the new courthouse. That he has recommended two people for the position of Utility Truck Drivers and they should be starting approximate May 22, 2000. We had started to flush the piped water lines, but quit till the school year ends before continuing. We have been digging up the road out by the City Shop uncovering the sewer lines. Working on the wastewater line by the hospital, are planning to patch and refoam where the lines have been damaged. Have been out to the Kasayulie Subdivision to check the punch list items. Property Maintenance has been advertising for a new worker, one person

left stating personal reasons. Vehicle and Equipment have been busy maintaining and repairing Utility trucks and light vehicles. Two sewer trucks were down at the same time. We have VHF radios installed in the Port vehicles and they are ready for the summer months. We have been trying to purchase all the supplies that we anticipate within the next couple of weeks to keep from ordering anything during the month of June. All abandon vehicles are first to be called in to the Police Department before Public Works can remove the vehicle.

## **VIII. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

Mr. Murphy wanted to know what was going on with the big bus. Mr. Drake said that the deal to sell it had fell through, but it was going as far as Anchorage this summer. Mr. Drake also thought that the Senior bus had been down an very long time. Mr. Grifka explained that the transmission had once again gone out, however it was under warranty and would be back in service once the transmission comes in. Mr. Vanasse would like to know why there is a big turnover in the Utilities department. He suggested maybe do an anonymous form as to why there is a high turnover. Mr. Vanasse also stated that the roads on Ptarmigan and in Tundra Ridge are horrible and suggested maybe waiting until the water and sewer trucks made their delivery before grading the roads in that area. Mr. O'Brien suggested that we have a designated warrantor for the first year of the Courthouse problems and that we should have periodic inspections.

## **IX. OLD BUSINESS**

### **ITEM A: SNOW REMOVAL**

Mr. Vanasse stated that we should have a formalization from the road department and also we need locations for snow dumping from the Planning department. Mr. Drake stated that we need to have before our next meeting an ordinance in regard to the parking issue. That an ordinance should be drafted and sent to Louann Cutter before our next meeting.

### **ITEM B: KASSAYULIE SUBDIVISION**

Mr. Drake stated that no items on the punch list has been done. Mr. Murphy thinks we should put money aside for maintenance on the asphalt roads. All subdivision specs should be in the packets, and 60 feet of the road should be in the ordinance.

### **ITEM C: ROAD REPAIR**

We will be starting on Akakeek then Akiak through City sub. Then Tundra Ridge and then Blueberry sub. Sections of Ptarmigan, Hoffman sub and Alder road is feeling neglected

## **X. NEW BUSINESS**

No new business.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

Move to adjourn. Motion approved – unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:55pm.

ssm/CG