

McGrath City News

City Council

May Meeting Highlights

SPECIAL MEETING – May 19, 2006

• **Motion: Bulk Fuel order**

To allow a “consolidated fuel order” to be placed by the City, giving the residents of McGrath the opportunity to put their orders in with the City’s and to pay cash at the time of their order, and to allow the fuel to be offloaded into the City’s fuel tanks, then metered, pumped and delivered to others in the consolidated order.

Vote: Yes 4, No 1 Motion carried

NOTE: The consolidated order referred to in this Motion will not be able to occur this year. Further steps will be taken that may allow other options for next year.

• **Resolution 06-15 – Bulk Fuel Loan**

To adopt Resolution 06-15, Alaska Energy Authority Bulk Fuel Loan.

Vote: Yes 5 of 5 present Motion carried

• **Motion: NRCS Agreement**
Sign revised agreement previously approved (change “Conservation Easement” to “Restrictive Covenant”

To authorize the signature by the City’s authorized representative for the NRCS Cooperative Agreement #68-0150-6-005 to change the wording in the agreement from “Conservation Easement” to Restrictive Covenant.”

Vote: Yes 5 of 5 present Motion carried

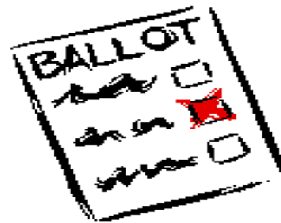
• **Motion: Promote Duane Norback to Acting Water Treatment Plant Operator**

That Duane Norback be formally promoted to Acting Water Plant Operator and be given the entry operator position pay rate.

Vote: Yes 5 of 5 present Motion carried

• **Motion: Send Duane Norback to training in Eagle River**

Vote: Yes 5 of 5 present Motion carried



Special Election

June 27th

A Special City Election will be held June 27th. Voter approval of Ordinance 06-01 is urgently needed and cannot wait for the Regular Election in October. This Ordinance allows the City of McGrath, in partnership with the existing landowners affected by the NRCS emergency erosion repair project, to exercise “Eminent Domain and Declaration of Taking” for the required construction and maintenance Easements. The property owners retain ownership of their land and structures. This action gives the property owners and the City the legal right to the Easements.

These Easements are required in order for the fully funded federal and state grants to be used to rebuild the levee. McGrath is on the brink of disaster should the Kuskokwim River break completely through the levee along the 1,000’ distance between the log haul-out and just below Grace and Alex Holmberg’s home. Currently, there are only a few feet left before that occurs. This NRCS project will mitigate the imminent danger of the Kuskokwim running through these properties and homes and further threatening the entire downtown area of McGrath including our essential utility systems.

Please make the effort to get out and vote during this Special Election, which will be held at the Library on June 27th. Further details & a reminder will be posted prior to that date.

Vehicle Inspections

Annual vehicle inspections are due during the month of June for motorized - “wheeled” vehicles, i.e. trucks, cars, motorcycles, ATVs, 4-wheelers, etc. The inspection fee is \$15/vehicle. Your safety inspection can be completed during normal business hours at the Cap’n Snow Center. Contact VPSO Parker or come upstairs to the City Office if he is not in his office. McGrath Muni Code states: **10.04.040 Inspection requirements.**

A. It is unlawful to operate a motorized vehicle which fails at any time to meet the safety inspection requirements identified in Table 10.04.040 or which has not been inspected by the city for operating safety in accordance with those requirements.

1) Adequate brakes and brake lights indicators if originally equipped	5) Steering within safe operating conditions
2) Cowl or safety for drive chain belt and/or clutch	6) Taillight(s) and/or taillight reflector(s) if originally equipped
3) Adequate noise suppression system	7) Headlight(s)
4) Throttle with automatic return	

