

City Council

March Meeting Highlights

- **Resolution 06-12 Special Election Eminent Domain & Declaration of Taking** for easements needed to construct and maintain the NRCS emergency erosion project. (1,100' downriver of log haul-out)

Vote: Yes 5 of 5 present

- **Ordinance 06-01 Eminent Domain & Declaration of Taking – Introduction and First Reading -- emergency erosion project** for the easements needed to construct and maintain the NRCS emergency erosion project. Introduction and First Reading. Public Hearing is set for a **Special Meeting to be held April 4, 2006.**
- **Old Schoolhouse –temporary R.O.W. lease possibilities (tabled from 2/28/06 Council meeting)** By consensus, the matter of the property in question was sent to the Public Works Committee, for recommendations on what to do once the schoolhouse is removed.
- **City of McGrath competing with private enterprise (tabled from 2/28/06 Council meeting) Motion: The City shall not compete with local businesses for maintenance of vehicles, rental of equipment, or use of maintenance facilities. This policy does not apply to City projects.**

Vote: 3 Yes votes by Magnuson, Ladegard and Strick. No votes by Anselment and Parker. The motion failed.

Consensus: the question of the City competing with private enterprise was sent back to Admin. & Finance Committee to draft policy, and will then sent on to Public Works.

- **Motion: Boat Launch/Ramp - HDR Assoc. -To adopt the project/scope of work for the proposed Boat Launch, Task 1.**

Vote: Yes 5 of 5 present

City welcomes new Public Works Foreman



Stanley Magnuson has recently been hired to serve as the Public Works Foreman. Stanley worked for the City as an Operator-In-Training over this past year, gaining experience in a broad range of Public Works duties. The City staff welcomes him to his new position.



Vacancy: City Council Seat F

The council seat vacated by Candy Moeller remains open.

If you are interested in being an active part of the process of local government, please submit a letter of interest to the City Clerk no later than April 25th. The appointment and certification will be made at the regular council meeting on Tuesday, April 25th.



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Public Works Comm.
Tuesday April 11th
5:00pm

Planning Commission
Wed. April 12th
7:00pm

Public Safety Comm.
Thursday April 13th
5:00pm

Administration & Finance
Comm.
Monday April 17th
12 noon

Volunteer Fire Dept.
Wed. April 19th
7:00pm

City Council Meeting
Tuesday April 25th
7:00pm



Breakfast Club
Thursday April 13th
10:30am @ MTNT over
Innoko Offices

Thank You!

The MNVC partnered purchase of Calcium Chloride is *greatly appreciated* by the City of McGrath and its residents.. MNVC contributed \$8,000 to the purchase of the Calcium Chloride to be used for dust control on the road from AC Co. to Martella St. on Chinana.

Public Meeting to be scheduled

A public meeting with representatives from the Dept. of Agriculture NRCS, the city attorney, city administration and council members will be held at the earliest possible date, hopefully, mid-April. This meeting will provide information to landowners and the general public about the processes necessary to provide emergency action to rebuild the failing levee/dike (shown below). The levee was built to hold the river back from adjacent homes, property and subsequent down river areas of town. They will explain requirements to obtain the construction & maintenance easements and many other details of the project.



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Credit Card Payment Options
coming soon



The final verification process to set up a “Virtual Terminal” for receiving credit card transactions is being completed as this newsletter goes out.

The most economical and versatile system that we’ve found is through Pay Pal. You can read about the features of the Virtual Terminal at www.paypal.com .

Utility, lease and land purchase customers will be able to pay their bills using their credit cards either via the Pay Pal website, requesting “auto-pay” be set up through our office, have your payment made by “echeck” (electronic check) or telephoning the city for a one-time payment by credit card. An explanation and full instructions for each option will be sent out with next month’s billings. Keep tuned!

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- **Council Seat vacancy - Letters of Interest in serving on Council**
To table until next month for further advertising.

Vote: Yes 5 of 5 present

- **Employee Handbook Section Revisions**
 - **Bereavement Leave**
 - **Emergency Leave**
 - **Timekeeping**

Vote: Yes 5 of 5 present

- **Motion to adopt the USDA/NRCS – streambank protection project**
- **Operation & Maintenance Plan**
- **Motion to approve the USDA/NRCS – Cooperative Agreement for voluntary property acquisition**

Vote: Yes 5 of 5 present

- **Motion to approve Public Works/Water-Wastewater equipment purchase request** (\$1,600 for small generator and pressure washer)

Vote: Yes 5 of 5 present

- **Employee Training – Hazwopper refresher**

Vote: Yes 5 of 5 present

- **Motion to write letter in support of Energy Funding for City & Boroughs**

Vote: Yes 5 of 5 present

- **Motion to support SCF Bike Rodeo**

Vote: 5 of 5 present

- **Motion to appropriate up to \$2,500 for parts/repair the (Brush) Fire Truck**

Vote: Yes 5 of 5 present

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MTNT Subsidiary ~ Sentinel Industries to provide assistance

A recent site visit by officials from Sentinel Industries provided an opportunity to gather information as they develop plans to assist with existing projects that will serve the community. The City staff looks forward to hearing of their decisions regarding this valued gift to the community. Projects benefiting public safety, education and multi-use facilities are being considered.

www.sentinelindustries.com