

Callahan elected president

At their semi-annual board meeting recently, the directors of the Fairbanks Town and Village Association for Development, Inc., elected new officers and established priorities for the association's projects through mid-1978.

Don Callahan, director of Public Works for the City of Fairbanks, was unanimously elected president replacing Jim Dodson, manager of Frontier Flying Service who has served as president since the association was formed in 1972.

Dodson was elected vice-president in order to assist the new president during the transition period.

Tim Wallis who has also served as vice-president since 1972, stepped down from that position, but will continue to serve as a member of the seven-member executive committee.

Spud Williams of the Tanana Chiefs Conference, was elected treasurer replacing Sam Kito, president of the Alaska Federation of Natives, who served in that capacity since 1972.

In voluntarily stepping down, the three former officers stated that they felt a change in leadership would be beneficial to the association, and would provide some fresh thinking and new ideas.

Al Seeliger, manager of the Tanana Valley Clinic, and secre-

tary of the association, was re-elected to that position.

Also elected to the executive committee in addition to Tim Wallis, were Paul Williams of Arctic Village and Leona Broker of Tok.

The board also assigned priorities to several projects being developed by the association's staff.

Highest priority was assigned to the development of a consolidated inter-modal air cargo transfer and storage facility at the Fairbanks International Airport. Second priority was assigned to the proposed south-side water line extensions and the staff was asked to determine if money could be found from a state or federal source which could be used to defray a portion of the costs of construction of the line.

Work will continue with the State of Alaska Department of Highways on local service roads projects in 12 rural villages, and with the Upper Tanana Regional Council on Alcoholism in building a multi-purpose community building in Tok.

The association will also continue monitoring the Federal Power Commission's deliberations on the Prudhoe gas pipeline and the development of a project demobilization strategy by Alyeska Pipeline Service Company.