

Village of Chalkyitsik Initiates Unique Council

CHALKYITSIK—The village on Chalkyitsik on the Black River just North of Fort Yukon has initiated a new form in village council government.

The small Indian community at their recent annual elections approved a plan whereby only the first chief and second chief are elected, and the remainder appointed by the two elected officials. The idea behind this novel approach is that the council will work together better.

An additional stipulation made was that any council member could be fired for misconduct of office.

Elected chief was Joe Herbert and second chief was Charles Thomas.

Appointed to the council was former chief, Paul Ben Thomas; Thomas Williams, treasurer; Wayne Williams, secretary; Edison Peter,

council marshall; and Bill Fredson, chairman.

The council will hold office for the 1967 centennial year.

In other Chalkyitsik news a total of \$306.63 has been raised for the Fairbanks field trip for Chalkyitsik children, according to the Chalkyitsik Newspaper.

The children are earning money, money is being raised by community fund raising projects, and by subscriptions to the Chalkyitsik Newspaper at \$2 per year.