

Village representatives meet with AFN

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"Most people are saying that things are being rushed," said Bartz Englishhoe spokesman for AFN. This is what the Village Steering Committee reported to AFN on March 7th in Anchorage.

Bartz clarified that most people are feeling rushed about the eight 1991 resolutions being presented at the up-coming special AFN Meeting being held later this month. He said the members of the Village Steering Committee reported that people want to know why there is such a big rush and why AFN has made March 28th a deadline for the resolutions.

There were many different

ideas and opinions reported by the Committee on behalf of the people they represent. "I was impressed by the diversity of different ideas expressed this morning," Englishhoe said.

The Village Steering Committee, which has twelve members, were selected in January to work with the restructuring of AFN and to be the voice for the Native population concerning 1991 and other Native concerns. One purpose of the March 7th meeting was to share with AFN what the people in the villages are saying about 1991 and the proposed resolutions.

Although the Tundra Times attempted to cover the meeting, reporters were not allowed.