Kake Tribal Corp. sues region, elects officers

Kake Tribal Corporation shareholders got a preview of what a Juneau jury may be hearing next year in the law suit the village corporation has filed against Sealaska, the state's largest Native regional corporation.

Kake Tribal's legal team presented their findings at the shareholders annual meeting in Kake on Nov. 7.

Using production, harvest and sale figures provided by Sealaska during the discovery phase of the law suit, the legal team demonstrated Kake Tribal received little more than \$2 million from Sealaska for timber that won the regional corporation over \$30 million in operating profits.

Kake Tribal president

Gordon Jackson told shareholders he is urging Sealaska to settle the law suit, otherwise, the case is scheduled to go to a Juneau jury trial.

Independent candidates
Pete Martin, an operations
director for a mall in
Bellingham and Marvin
Kadake, manager of Kake's
electric power plant, were

elected to the board along with Jackson. Directors Norman Jackson and Wilbur Brown, both of Kake, did not garner enough votes to retain their seats.

The Kake Tribal board reelected corporate officers Gordon Jackson as president/chairman of the board; Harold Martin of Juneau as vice-chairman; and Kake

residents Lonnie Cavanaugh as treasurer and Stanley Adams as corporate secretary.

Kake Tribal Corporation director and former president Clarence Jackson resigned from the Kake board because of Sealaska's change which prohibits Sealaska directors from serving on the board of another Native corporation.