

Arctic Slope Regional Headquarters Burn

The destructive fire at Barrow recently razed the Arctic Slope Regional Corporation headquarters as well as destroying Al's Cafe, a longtime eatery at the village.

"Quite a few things got

smoke-damaged but we were able to save just about everything," related ASRC President Joseph Upicksoun. "We flew the records down to Anchorage and made new copies of everything."

"We were able to save the

painting done by Howard Rock the ASRC acquired by bidding the highest price at the Tundra Times banquet two years ago," Upicksoun added.

He said the corporation will ship the painting to the Tundra

Times so Rock can clean it up and touch it up if need be.

Upicksoun said the corporation was lucky that the fire occurred in the morning when there was daylight "otherwise we might

have lost a lot of things."

"We were able to move equipment to our old office spaces on that Friday and the whole crew was able to go back to work the following Monday," concluded Joe Upicksoun.