

Doyon, Village Corporations In Meet Here

Twenty-seven village corporations, represented by 44 village corporation presidents and board members, participated in a two-day meeting with the board and staff of Doyon, Limited recently to discuss mutual concerns.

The meetings were sponsored by the regional corporation, and held August 28 & 29 at the Doyon Building in Fairbanks.

The meetings addressed the total and varied relationships between the region and the village business corporations established to administer lands and monies under the land claims act.

Topics included discussions on how village corporation needs could best be met, such as: developing corporate planning and management skills, record keeping, accounting, land planning and legal assistance functions.

Long-range business corporation relationships between regional and village corporations are being discussed in most regions, and a number of differing philosophies and structures are being studied.

A six-man steering committee was named by Doyon's president, John C. Sackett. The committee consists of Richard Frank, President of Seth-de-ya-ah Corporation (Minto) and Vice-President of Tanana Chiefs Conference; Pat Sweetsir, President of Notaaghleedin, Limited and Treasurer of Tanana Chiefs Conference; Ken Chase,

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President of Central Natives, Inc. (Anvik); Tim Wallis, Director of Gwitchyaazhee Corporation (Ft. Yukon), and a Director of Doyon, Limited; Bill Timme, General Counsel for Doyon, and Sackett.

The steering committee will meet to consider various alternative methods of providing technical and professional services to village corporations, and will make a recommendation to the village corporation presidents next month.

Another similar meeting will be scheduled near the middle of October, shortly before the Tanana Chief's Conference's board meeting, to hear the report of the committee.