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## Hickel wins three-way race



Jack Coghill gives Wally Hickel a thumbs-up signal at the Hotel Captain Cook Tuesday night.

## First appointments: Hodel, Turpin

by Soren Wuerth  
and Alexandra J. McClanahan  
for the Tundra Times

Wally Hickel and a throng of supporters burst through the double doors and onto the floor of Election Central at the Egan Convention Center early Wednesday morning,

moments after returns showed he had a comfortable lead in the race for governor over Democrat Tony Knowles.

Hickel's campaign was short, starting Sept. 19 when Jack Coghill switched from running for lieutenant governor under Republican Party candidate Arliss Strugulewski

to join Hickel in the Alaska Independence Party.

Hickel and Coghill ended up convincing at least 66,942 people — 39 percent of those who cast votes — to choose the Alaska Independence Party for the governor's race.

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## BIA reinstates welfare aid for Natives

### Regs discussed

by Holly F. Reimer  
Tundra Times reporter

Bureau of Indian Affairs' officials and other Alaska Native representatives are meeting to decide how the BIA general assistance program will be run in Alaska.

The BIA general assistance program was reinstated recently, after repeated concerns raised by Alaska Natives that the state's assistance programs did not meet the needs of Alaska Natives.

In 1982 the federal program was ended in Alaska, and a state program took its place. This happened during a time when officials said the state had enough money to fund such a program.

Soon after the state took over general assistance matters, the needs of Natives were clearly not being met, according to Native leaders. Native groups asked the bureau to take a look at the circumstances under the state program.

Niles Cesar, new BIA area director in Juneau, said there were problems from the beginning.

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## Fund approved; marijuana to be recriminalized

Alaska voters approved the two initiatives on the General Election Ballot Tuesday, one which calls for creation of a budget reserve fund and one which recriminalizes the use of marijuana.

The budget reserve fund won by a wide margin with 66.2 percent of the voters in favor of it — 110,441 — and 33.7 percent opposed to it — 56,327, according to unofficial results with 425 of the 438 precincts reporting in.

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Supporters of the initiative said it is the first step Alaskans could take to effectively control state spending. It calls for revenues from mineral or oil and gas legal settlements and administrative proceedings to be deposited into the budget reserve fund.

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## Subsistence regs criticized

by Geoff Kennedy  
for the Tundra Times

BETHEL — People offered general rather than specific criticism of federal subsistence regulations during the Nov. 1 hearing in Bethel.

The United States doesn't have any right to regulate subsistence because the nation illegally purchased Alaska from Russia, said Jackson Lomack of the Akiachak-based Yupit Nation.

The Alaska Supreme Court violated

the 1980 Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act and the Anti-Genocide Act, Lomack said.

The federal government should consider that urban hunters outnumber rural hunters three to one in Alaska, said Kriska Evans, originally from Sleetmute. Therefore, it's unfair for people to claim a rural subsistence preference violates the equal rights of urban Alaskans, Evans said.

The Alaska Supreme Court declared

the rural subsistence preference portion of the state law unconstitutional late last year.

Urban Alaskans killed so many moose on state highways they had to hunt rural Alaska moose, Evans said.

Myron Naneng, president of the Association of Village Council Presidents, didn't think much of the temporary regulations the federal government set up when it took over

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