

Sessions test TCC feasibility as prime contractor of JOM . . .

years and authorizes funding for educational programs designed with native input which are not available from the existing school systems. Programs in the Tanana Chiefs Conference last year included a Nulato Bilingual/Bicultural Program, a Northway Art Program and an Arctic Village Teacher Aide and Pre-School Program.

The Fairbanks JOM workshop was held July 22 and 23 in the TCC Conference Room. Roger McPherson, education specialist for TCC, chaired the meeting and presented a brief history of the JOM Act and the current state of administration transition to representatives of parent advisory committees from Allakaket, Bettles, Dot Lake, Manley Hot Springs and Minto.

Reporting that BIA is creating an Anchorage office for the JOM program, he cautioned the villages to start earlier than usual this year and estimated that it will take three or four months for the new BIA/JOM staff to get off the ground and get money out.

McPherson also warned that the current changes in the JOM program were "political decisions and you should be aware of this because it affects where your money comes from."

He stated that besides the advantages to the villages of having TCC handle the major

administrative hassles (taxes, pay checks, monthly reports, health benefits, etc.) the Chiefs also benefit. Acting as prime sponsor for the villages will mean less cost to the villages and more money for TCC so "they are happy to have the projects through their offices."

Most Tanana Chiefs villages have decided to go through the conference rather than going directly to BIA after Sam Demientieff traveled to the villages explaining the choices, McPherson said.

Calling last year a "sad beginning," McPherson attributed the problems mainly to delays in getting pay checks out to the teachers that had been hired. Also, it was felt that the choice of which programs got funded was arbitrary and unfair. Ruth Charles of Dot Lake, recipient of funds for an Athabaskan Culture program last year, said she felt that some people who had good proposals for 1976 did not get any money. "It seemed that they went down the list of villages that applied and stopped where the money ran out."

But hopes are high for a better year. Now, every village that applies will receive money based on the number of students the program will serve rather than having to compete with each other for funds. Also, money will now cover children down to the age of three.

So, Roger McPherson is looking forward to 43 programs going next year since there are 43 villages in the region. And it

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is the purpose of the workshops to make that hope a reality.

On Thursday, representatives figured out the amount of money their village was eligible to receive and participated in a mock budget analysis using Bettles' idea of a crafts program as an example.

Helen McConnell of Bettles stated that the village has had a crafts program started under Indian Education funding but so the paperwork got so complicated, "I think we still have it, but I don't know where the money goes." JOM money will be a way to reinstate the abandoned program of handcrafting sleds, boats, beadwork, and knitted garments.

Having the experience of last

year behind her, Ruth Charles cautioned not to plan to start the programs until October or November because the funds won't come through until then. She also commented that with the school administration in Bettles being mainly white, it appeared that the native people were going to have to work hard on getting JOM monies themselves.

With a plan of having all proposals completed within one month, the bulk of the two-day session was devoted to discussion of ideas and priorities, cost estimates and technical assistance in actually writing a rough draft proposal. This first draft will be taken home to the villages for discussion,

changes and approval. Then the representatives will return to write up the final proposal assisted by the TCC/JOM staff of McPherson, Jon Laughlin and Sharon Sunnyboy.

Attending the Fairbanks workshop were Eleanor David and Julia Simon from Allakaket, Florence Nictune and Helen McConnell from Bettles, Ruth Charles from Dot Lake, Walter Woods Sr. from Manley Hot Springs, and Susie Charlie and Jennie Baker from Minto.

Initial workshops have already been held in Anvik, Galena, Fort Yukon and Tok. One more workshop is planned on July 29 and 30 for the McGrath areas.



JOM REPRESENTATIVES discuss their villages' educational needs at recent Fairbanks JOM/TCC workshop. Left to right: Susie Charlie from Minto, Julia Simon from Allakaket, and Florence Nictune from Bettles.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE

DEED OF TRUST FORECLOSURE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Beneficiary,

V.
JAMES T. KIGNAK
and BETTY KIGNAK

Trustor.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the hereinafter described real property will be sold to the highest bidder at public auction at the front door of the Courthouse, Fourth Judicial District, at Fairbanks, Alaska, said door being the main entrance door of said Courthouse, on the 30th day of July, 1976, at the hour of 10:00 A.M. O'clock. The proceeds of such sale will be used to pay the costs of the foreclosure proceedings of which such sale is a part, and to satisfy all amounts due in accordance with that certain Deed of Trust executed by James T. Kignak and Betty Kignak, husband and wife, Trustor, to Jerry W. Glor, Trustee, for the benefit of the United States of America, dated April 10, 1975, and recorded on June 10, 1975, in Book 11 at page 43, in the Office of the Recorder, Noatak-Kobuk Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska. The amount due in accordance with said Deed of Trust and the Promissory Note secured thereby is THIRTEEN THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED NINETY FIVE AND 65/100 DOLLARS (\$13,195.65) together with interest at the rate of \$1,718.9 daily from February 28, 1976.

The real property which will be sold is situated in the State of Alaska, Second Judicial District, Fairbanks Recording District, and is more particularly described as follows:

Lot Thirteen (13), Block Nine (9), of the Townsite of Barrow, U.S. Survey No. 4615, according to the official plat thereof filed November 28, 1964, as Instrument No. 64-271.

SUBJECT TO: Easement and rights of way of record.

DATED at Anchorage, Alaska, this 15th day of June, 1976.

FARMERS HOME
ADMINISTRATION

BY Darwin R. Betts

TITLE: Acting District Director
for Alaska.

STATE OF ALASKA)

THIRD DISTRICT)ss:

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 15th day of June, 1976, by Darwin R. Betts, of the Farmers Home Administration, an agency of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Carrie I. Agibnik
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 8-18-79.

Pub.: July 7, 14, 21, 28, 1976.

LEGAL NOTICE

INVITATION FOR BIDS
STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS

Sealed bids in single copy for furnishing all labor, materials and equipment, and performing all work on Project TQS-RS-0926(2), Clark Bay Ferry Terminal described herein, will be received until 2:00 p.m. prevailing time, August 12, 1976 in the Commissioner's Office, Department of Highways, Island Center Building Douglas, Alaska.

This project will consist of grading, drainage and crushed aggregate surfacing on 1.5 miles of access road and construction of ferry terminal facilities near Hollis, Alaska.

Principal items of work consist of the following: 60,000 cubic yards of unclassified excavation; 4,000 cubic yards of subbase, grading "D", Class A concrete, Transfer Bridge, Transfer Barge, and Dolphin Steel, lump sum, as required; 852 linear feet of structural steel piles; 1,834 linear feet of Dolphin Pipe Piles; 1,100 linear feet of beam type guard rail; 1,400 cubic yards of Class II riprap; 143,000 square feet of seeding; 700 square feet of standard signs; and miscellaneous items of work.

All work shall be completed by May 1, 1977.

In accordance with requirements set forth by the "Federal Highway Administration," the following provisions are made a part of all advertisements for highway construction contracts:

"Bidders must submit certifications stating whether or not they intend to subcontract a portion of the work and, if so, that they have taken affirmative action to seek out and consider minority business enterprises as potential subcontractors. Each bidder intending to sublet part of the contract work shall make contact with potential minority business enterprise subcontractors to affirmatively solicit their interest, capability, and prices, and shall document the results of such contacts. A bidder's failure to submit this certification or submission of a false certification shall render his bid nonresponsive."

Certification form (14-60) and a Directory of Minority Business Enterprises will be included with the bidding documents.

Plans and specifications may be examined by all who have a bona fide need for them for bidding purposes from the Chief Road Design Engineer, P. O. Box 1467, Juneau, Alaska 99802 at a charge of \$10.00 (non-refundable) for each assembly. Checks or money orders should be made payable to: State of Alaska, Department of Highways. Plans may be examined at Department of Highway Offices in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Valdez.

H. D. Scougal Commissioner of
Highways

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President Ford meets with Indian community leaders

President Ford met with more than 200 leaders of the American Indian community at the White House July 16.

It was the first time a President of the United States has met with such a broad representation of the Indian leadership.

"This is an historic occasion," Commissioner of Indian Affairs Morris Thompson said. "President Ford has invited the chairmen of major tribes and leaders of national Indian organizations to meet with him so that he can personally express to them his support for their

efforts under the administration's policy of Indian self-determination."

The meeting with the President was in the East Room of the White House at 3 p.m., Friday. The President's talk to the group was followed by a reception.



AFDC provides financial assistance to children who have been deprived of the support and care of one of their parents. Persons determined eligible for AFDC are also eligible for food stamps and Medicaid. Go to the Division of Public Assistance office to apply if you think you might be eligible or see the fee agent in your village.

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