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Seldovia's July 4, 2008 Festival  
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"You Otter Have Been Here!"

## Top Stories

### The Husky II is Going Away!

by Tom Glover

Years of delays and no action by the Husky owners are about to come to an end. The Seldovia City Council has directed the City Manager, working in conjunction with the Harbormaster and City Attorney, to seize the vessel for non-payment of \$26,000 in moorage fees.



A registered demand notice has been sent to the owners and if the matter is not cleared up, the vessel will be auctioned off at noon on October 10, 2008 in the Multi-Purpose Room. A legal notice will be published in the Homer News on September 11th and 18th which invites scrap metal dealers to bid on the Husky II.

**Good riddance!**



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**NOTICE:**

**SCRAP METAL BROKERS**

The City of Seldovia will auction off the vessel, HuskyII (CG#283992) on October 10<sup>th</sup> at 12 Noon at the Municipal Multi-Purpose Building located at 259 Seldovia Street, Seldovia, Alaska.

The HuskyII is a 152 foot fishing vessel with a net tonnage of 201 NT. The Husky II contains numerous quantities of hazardous materials which will require remediation (an inventory of those materials is available at Seldovia City office, City Clerk office). The sale of this vessel would be contingent on removal of this vessel from The Seldovia Small Boat Harbor within 30 days.

Payment required 10 days after auction.

For more information, please contact Ed Pefferman, City Manager, Seldovia, Alaska 1-907-234-7643.

**Winner Donates to Seldovia B&G Club**



Pictured above is Matt Dittrich and his father. Matt (at 4 years old during the 4th of July in Seldovia) was the grand prize winner of the 2008 Rubber Duckie Race. Matt and his family (Bill, Mary, Josh and Maggie) graciously donated back to the community the winnings of \$1,500 by returning the check to the Seldovia Chamber of Commerce with their request that it be donated to the B&G Club. Thank you Matt and your family for your gracious donation to the kids of our community.

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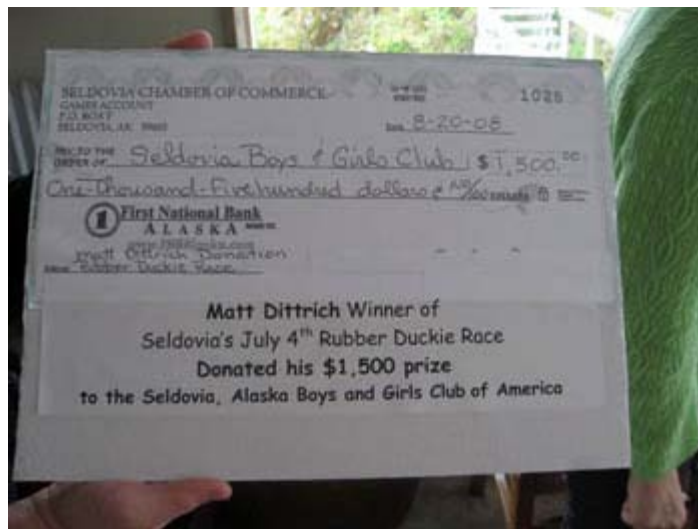
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- ▶ [SBE Last Home Basketball Game of the Season](#)



Chamber Treasurer Barbara Carlough made this great representation of the check for the presentation ceremony.



Presentation to Seldovia B&G Club Director Laurel Hiltz (on left) by Seldovia Chamber of Commerce President, Peggy Keesecker (on right)

***Further news from the Seldovia Chamber of Commerce by Darlene Crawford***

More than twenty-three Chamber members had a delicious lunch at Lethin's Dancing Eagles last Thursday, September 4th, at the regular Chamber of Commerce monthly meeting.

President Keesecker expressed her goal that the Chamber market Seldovia as a destination, and asked members to submit any catchy slogans or statements to this end. She also invited members to join one of the Chamber committees – Marketing, Events, Hospitality, and/or Beautification.

The Beautification committee has been active, as the Seldovia Garden Club,

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and member Susie Stranik presented a comprehensive report, on the nine very visible gardens that were being tended by the Seldovia Garden Club. She spoke of the people who had helped with the project, and invited others to volunteer. They are specifically inviting men to get involved, mowers and weeders are needed. Any local citizens who wish to help in this endeavor should contact Susie, as you do not need to be a Chamber member to help in this project. The Garden Club would like to be involved in all the public gardens in Seldovia to make our community look its best.

The Marketing committee will be seeking the best ways to market our community, while the Events committee will be the core group to manage the budget and work with other committees that stage events to make sure all gets done. The Hospitality committee will set up meeting places for meetings and social occasions, and call people for meeting reminders. Perhaps even get into seeking new members.

President Keesecker is following the premise that “many hands make light work,” and invites all members to get busy and make this a great year for the Chamber.

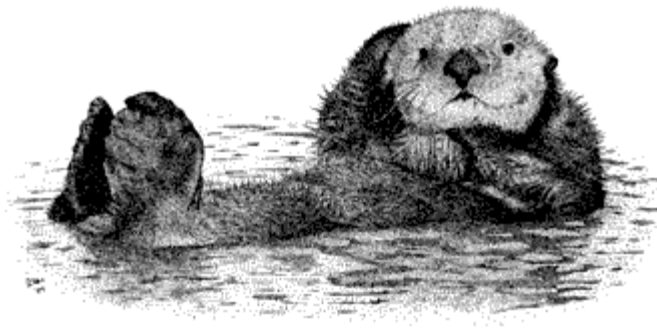
The Rubber Duckie Race on the 4th of July was won by a four year old boy, Matt Diettrich, and he wanted to donate the \$1,500 prize to the local Boys and Girls Club. Laurel Hilts, Director of the Seldovia B&G Club was very surprised and appreciative of a donation made to the local club. She gladly accepted the donation at the meeting.

Every Chamber meeting, a local business will give some information on their business. Kris Lethin informed the group about Dancing Eagles B&B, which they began twenty-five years ago. The Cabin was a boat shop (a beam in the cabin is from a local old schooner), and the main building was a warehouse built in 1979. They do target mailings, have an internet Hotspot, does his own web site, and offered to help others with their web sites. He also suggested that the City get more Hotspots, and attempt to have GCI or ACS put in a fiber cable, so there could be video conferencing available for guests and locals.

In Seldovia, you do not have to be a business to join the Seldovia Chamber of Commerce – many individuals belong to the Chamber, and you are most welcome to join the group. It’s time for annual dues in October, and if you’d like to join, please contact Pres. Peggy Keesecker or Treasurer Barbara Carlough.

**Let's go, Otters!***by SBE Booster Club*

The Seldovia Sea Otters Booster Club is gearing up for another year of fundraising on behalf of our Sea Otters, but we cannot do it alone. Each year, the Booster Club raises money to pay for students’ transportation costs. This community donates thousands of dollars to the cause because we recognize the importance of providing extra-curricular activities to enhance our children’s educational experience and the great value in making sure our students have a chance to travel to participate in events that range from athletics to music to academics, all over the State of Alaska, and even beyond.



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Now we're looking for folks who are willing and able to come out and give a hand with our efforts. How can you be involved? Bake sales, concessions stands, meal preparation, pizza nights, organizational meetings, Halloween Carnival booths, dinner/auction, and more! **Regardless of whether you have children in school or not, we believe our community benefits as a whole from the efforts the Booster Club puts forth, helping with the extra-curricular activities that enrich us all.** Can you come and be a part? We hope to see you there. You can call the school at 234-7616 for more specific information.

## Wild Celery Grand Opening September 19

*by Tamara Blodgett*

*A "tame" store opens the door for local Seldovian artists...*

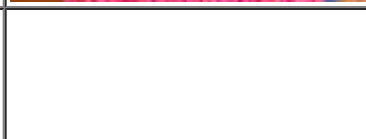
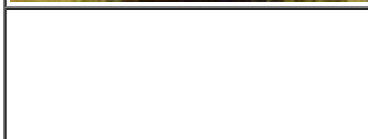
Organic artwork and handmade items find a loving home in the arms of Seldovia's Harbor with a new store devoted to local craftspeople aptly called, "Wild Celery." This unique store is a combination of hand-knitted items ranging from scarves to hats and small purses. Also in residence, are note cards by renown artist Kathleen George. Glass buttons, magnets, "scarf-knots," and necklaces round out just some of what's offered.





*It's about time...*

The time was ripe for just this sort of store. After years of gathering each Tuesday night at local homes, knitters (Chicks with Sticks) put their needles together and schemed up the idea of meeting in one place, all the time. That led to the thought process of offering Seldovia-made artwork and handcrafted goods. To make the rent and utilities, the group, consisting of eleven women devised a plan of membership that each artist pay fifty dollars per month for a “non-working” membership or thirty-five dollars per month for a “working” membership. The hours of the store are still being refined as business demands but have tentatively been scheduled for Tue. and Thu. from 2-5PM and Saturday from 11-5PM. Artists that can work some of these hours on a rotating schedule are the working members.





*So devoted...*

The core group of ladies used a boat load of elbow grease and got the building spic and span, painted and shored up just in time to greet autumn. The new look is artsy and chic, a perfect combo for the eclectic mix of Seldovian-made art and crafts.

*New artists invited to join in the fun...*

In speaking with one of the artists, Linda Greene, who sells handmade note cards, she mentioned that interested artists are encouraged to inquire about participation in this distinctive group. Greene called the Wild Celery a mingling of “co-opportunity for the arts.” It will be the only gift shop, besides the Alaskan Tribal Cache, open during the winter months. It's unique flavor is just what is needed and showcases the huge amount of diverse local talent that we have here in Seldovia.

**Wild Celery Grand Opening: Friday, September 19 7:00-9:00 PM**

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## City Council Meeting - September 4

*by Tamara Blodgett*

The Seldovia City Council convened together to include the following members present: Keith Gain, Tom Glover, Walter McInnes, Allison Miller and Gerry Patrick. Councilman Carluccio was excused. Mayor Dick Wyland presided with Deputy City Clerk Mary Klinger taking minutes and Interim City Manager Ed Pefferman in attendance.

*Amended* agenda approved to withdraw line item number three under New Business.

### Ordinance Introduction

**Ordinance 09-03 Amending Title 18.40.090, Building Height to define Reference Point for Determining Building Heights on Tideland Lots.**

*Action* : Introduction unanimously approved.

**Ordinance 09-04 Appropriating Funds from the Major Maintenance Repair Funds to Purchase a Street Sweeper.**

*Action* : Introduction unanimously approved.

### Committee and Advisory Board Reports

SOS will have HAZMAT Training this fall.

### Old Business

### **The City Manager Position**

The City has interviewed three candidates for this position. One of the candidates asks that 'inexpensive housing' be part of the negotiation process (the candidate's familial obligations necessitate the procurement of affordable housing).

A member of the Public, *Greg Davis*, offered his house as lodging for the candidate.

Arrangements are being made to provide travel for face-to-face interview processes.

*Action* : None.

### **Ordinance 09-02, Proposition #1, opting out of Financial Disclosure Law**

This proposition will exempt municipal officials/election candidates from the requirement of the state financial disclosure laws.

Registered voters may vote on the above proposition on October 7th.

*Councilman McInnes* felt it was an "unfair and invasive" practice for a person be forced to reveal personal financial data and supports this proposition.

*Action*: Unanimously approved.

### **FY08, Silver Salmon Smolt Stocking (WYLAND)**

This is regarding funding for FY08 smolt stocking (through state grant) of 25K.

For FY09, it has been determined that the Juneau "wish list" include a 50K grant allotment for 2009's smolt stocking.

Ordering the correct amount of smolt, through a distributor at months' end is a challenge due to an unknown grant amount which, in turn, does not allow for an accurate estimate of smolt needed.

Council discussion ran the gambit of ordering ahead to secure smolt based on past years' funding, to not ordering until grant monies were finalized.

*Action*: Mayor Wyland will phone various sources for options for resolution.

### **New Business**

#### **Support for Recertification of the Cook Inlet Regional Advisory Council (CIRCAC)**

The Council uniformly supports this organization and Mayor Wyland has written a recertification letter to this affect.

*Councilman McInnes* was pleased by the tone and direction of the letter.

*Action*: Mayor Wyland will mail letter with Council endorsement.

#### **Small Boat Harbor Surplus Pilings Sale**

The City has a surplus of pilings left over from the renovation of the small boat harbor that has garnered Public interest.

Through Council discussion it was determined that a fair and competitive

pricing be established so members of the Public could purchase these pilings.

A local contractor has been selling pilings for \$10 per lineal foot and \$6 per lineal foot over 20'. The pilings in question were surplus from the Old Cannery Property tear-down. This would be one established comparison of value for the pilings the City currently owns.

Two members of the Public (respectively), *myself and Greg Davis*, mentioned age and condition be a major consideration in determination of value. Davis thought to competitively price the pilings, some research (of similar product) would need to be done for a point of reference.

**Action:** No Action.

#### **Resolution 09-01, Election Judges**

This will approve three judges for the upcoming local election held on October 7, 2008 .

**Action:** Unanimously approved.

#### **Resolution 09-02, Notice of Election, Oct. 7, 2008**

This resolution will include the election of two council members, each for a three-year term and one Mayor also for a three-year term.

**Action:** Unanimously approved.

#### **City Manager's Report, See below.**

#### **Manager, Council and Mayor Comments Concerning Items Not on the Agenda**

Much Council discussion took place regarding the Husky II. It has been determined by City Manager Pefferman that the Husky II is a derelict vessel and he ( and the consensus of the Council) wish for its timely removal before weather prohibits this.

It is the consensus of the Council that City Manager Pefferman move forward with the seizure of the Husky II for non-payment of moorage fees which exceed sixty days and its subsequent auction after thirty days written notice to the owner.

*Councilman McInnes* thanked the audience for their presence and participation during the meeting.

**Next Meeting:** September 10, 2008 .

**Adjournment:** Time elapsed, one hour and eighteen minutes.

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### **City Council Meeting - September 10** *by Tom Glover*

The Seldovia City Council convened together to include the following members present: Tom Glover, Walter McInnes, Allison Miller, John Carluccio and Gerry Patrick. Councilman Gain was excused. Mayor Dick Wyland presided with Deputy City Clerk Mary Klinger taking minutes and Interim City Manager Ed Pefferman in attendance.

*Amended* agenda approved to move Item L2 to after Item M3.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes of Special Meeting, August 21, 2008 approved

## **Ordinance Introduction - none**

## **Committee and Advisory Board Reports**

SOS will have HAZMAT Training this fall.

Arts Council concert on Sunday, September 14 at the Rowing Club

## **Old Business**

### **Small Boat Harbor Surplus Pilings**

Approximately 70 pilings that were removed from the harbor during the renovation are to be sold. Motion to declare the pilings as surplus and sell them on a first come first served basis for \$10/foot if the piling is over 20 feet long or \$6.00/foot if the piling is under 20 feet long.

*Action* : Unanimously approved.

### **City Manager Position**

Council moved into Executive Session to discuss financial's and hiring or a new City Manager. On exiting from the Executive Session, a motion was made directing the Mayor and Interim City Manager to offer Mr. Tim Dillon (no relation to the Tim Dillon currently living in Seldovia) the position of Seldovia City Manager and enter into negotiations concerning salary and benefits.

*Action*: Unanimously approved.

## **New Business**

### **Ordinance 09-03 Amending Title 18.40.090, Building Height to define Reference Point for Determining Building Heights on Tideland Lots.**

Extensive discussions and many questions were asked about this Ordinance and it was ultimately decided to not act on the Ordinance until another City Council Workshop could be held to revise the Ordinance language.

McInnes and Glover (as well as former Councilman Tom Keesecker in the audience) both stated that the 28 foot height limitation was NOT the intent of the Council at the time the original Ordinance was passed. The intent was to pass a height limitation of 32 feet. The Council very much wants this issue resolved after another City Council Workshop, rewrite, and Ordinance Introduction and Hearing. Hugh Smith and Greg Davis both spoke against the 28 foot limitation.

*Action*: No action, a workshop will be scheduled.

### **Ordinance 09-04 Appropriating Funds from the Major Maintenance Repair Funds to Purchase a Street Sweeper**

Discussions centered around the condition of the sweeper, which was examined by two different individuals on the Cities behalf...the results were very positive. The equipment is late model and in very good condition.

Hugh Smith asked questions about the advisability of purchasing a major piece of equipment like this or purchasing a sweeper attachment that would fit an existing piece of equipment the City owns. Members of the Council and the City Manager explained the rational behind the purchase.

A motion to appropriate the funds to purchase the street sweeper was made.

*Action*: Unanimously approved.

**Resolution 09-03, Supporting Kenai Peninsula Ordinance 2008-28, Authorizing the General Law Cities in the Kenai Peninsula Borough to Levy and Collect Sales Taxes on Nonprepared Food Items.**

The Borough Ordinance that this Resolution supports is somewhat complex and confusing. In short, the Borough Ordinance will let cities like Seldovia CHOOSE whether to levy and collect sales taxes on nonprepared food items that are sold within it's city limits. A motion was made to adopt this Resolution.

*Action:* Unanimously approved.

**City Manager's Report, See below.**

**Manager, Council and Mayor Comments Concerning Items Not on the Agenda**

McInnes, Miller and Glover all thanked the audience for attending and participating in the discussion of may on the topics.

Carluccio: 1. Would like to see Cannery Lot 8 leased to Dan Blodgett.  
2. Suggested the City sell Lot 1 Block 13

Wyland: 1. CIRCAC will be holding a meeting in Seldovia on September 19th at the SVT Conference Center.  
2. AML scholarships are coming up for newly elected officials, the City needs to apply for these now.

**Next Meeting:** September 24, 2008 .

**Adjournment:** Time elapsed, one hour and eighteen minutes.

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**Special Notices**

***Attention Charters! You Snooze, You Lose!!***

We are asking everyone to write a letter or send a fax insisting that the North Pacific Halibut Commission keep the two fish limit for halibut charters. It's the only fair thing to do for the public and for the charter operators. Your help is greatly appreciated. Thank you. *[Additional information and contacts are included below]*

Very sincerely, Peggy & Dave Cloninger

***ATTENTION CHARTERS! YOU SNOOZE, YOU LOSE!!***

**North Council meeting comment deadline is September 24th at 5PM.**

Emails NOT accepted. Only faxes or written testimony.

Fax: 907-271-2817

Written: NPFMC, 605 W. 4th, Ste 306, Anchorage, AK 99501-2252.

**Charter Halibut Issues begin Wednesday, October 1 st after reports.**

**Plan to attend! Ask your friend and fishermen to send in testimony and personally testify that they want two halibut whether or not they fish from a Charterboat.**

Your clients can customize their comments on the Recreational Fishing Alliance website- [www.joinrfa.com](http://www.joinrfa.com) under RFA news. The comments will be mailed in.

Speculation is that 3A is over the GHF by 5-15% for 2007 and the Council is hoping to have restrictions in place for 2009 fishing season. Final GHF action,

plus allocations are on the agenda for this meeting. Read the analysis at [www.fakr.noaa.gov/npfmc/](http://www.fakr.noaa.gov/npfmc/)  
Bottom of far right hand column.

Discounted rooms for the meeting are available at Hawthorne Suites.  
Ask for the Alaska Charter Association rate of \$85.00 a night.  
The rate code is NJ96.

Updated information is available on the Charter Halibut Task Force website, [www.charterhalibut.org](http://www.charterhalibut.org) or you can contact the Alaska Charter Association at [info@alaskacharter.org](mailto:info@alaskacharter.org)

Donna Bondioli - [ashtikan@gmail.com](mailto:ashtikan@gmail.com)

### *Cat Spay/Neuter Clinic to come to Seldovia*

Homer Animal Friends is conducting a special Spay/Neuter Clinic for cats only during the month of October. Appointments with the Homer Vet Clinic will be taken for Wednesday's only. The cost to the owner is only \$10. Homer Animal Friends will cover remaining fees for the Spay/Neuter procedure. Call the Homer Veterinary Clinic at 235-8960 to schedule an appointment. If you have questions about this special clinic call Homer Animal Friends at 235-SPAY. Your call will be returned.

### *Crazy Crow Concerts*



Deeply talented and self-taught pianist, Rachael Sage, is a storyteller with the kind of passionate, sophisticated voice that haunts listeners. The Village Voice has called Sage's music "lovely and literate... folk-pop-rock, socially aware and eclectic." This multi award-winning New York alt-pop songstress is no stranger to the music world, but her eighth solo album, Chandelier, released in June, is placing Rachael Sage back in the spotlight on a U.S. tour with her band The Sequins.

Don't miss Rachael Sage at the Seldovia Rowing Club on September 14th:

RACHAEL SAGE  
Sunday, September 14th  
Seldovia Rowing Club  
On the Old Boardwalk, Seldovia AK  
(907) 234 - 7614  
Doors 7:15pm / Show 7:46pm  
All Ages / \$15

For additional info, call Susan Mumma at 234-7614

### *Boys & Girls Club Update . . .*

*by Laurel Hilts*

[Seldovia Boys & Girls Club Quarterly Newsletter - Click here . . .](#)

The Clubhouse is open from 3:00 - 6:00 p.m.  
Pottery is open Mondays from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.  
Power Hour is open Mondays - Thursdays from 3:15 - 5:15 p.m.  
The Seldovia Village Tribe offers Teen Night on Fridays from 9:00 - midnight.

Any questions, contact: Laurel A. Hilts, Unit Director Seldovia  
234-7577 office; 234-2004 fax & kid phone during Clubhouse hours  
lilts@positiveplaceforkids.com

### *Seldovia Gazette Schedule Change*

Summer is here and we're going fishing! We have made a decision to shift from a weekly edition of the online paper to a bi-monthly publishing schedule for the summer. The paper will be published on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month.

The School and the Spotlight pages will not be active this summer. The Calendar, Opinions and Classified pages will be active. The Police Report will always be posted as soon as we receive it.

News Flashes will be published as they occur in the area above the "Top Stories" line at the top of this page.

### Tidbits . . .

Now there's a Palin fan! Local artist Bruce Dimick recently wove these wall hangings on his loom. Bruce equates Gov. Palin to the woman personifying Liberty as depicted in the 1830 painting titled "Liberty Leading the People" by Eugene Delacroix.



City Manager's Corner *by Ed Pefferman, Interim City Manager*

**City Manager Report - September 4, 2008**

- Husky II.

The hazmat inventory of the HuskyII has been completed. Copies of this report are available for the City Council and public.

As you can see from the report substantial quantities of hazardous materials are on t board the ship.

Our moorage agreement gives the Harbormaster the authority to seize any vessel that is 30 days behind in their moorage fees. At this point the City would become liable for custody of the vessel. Because this vessel represents such a liability as compared to normal vessels that dock in our harbor it is appropriate for the City Council to decide if it wants to take this action.

I am recommending that the City Council take this action because I believe the vessel has been abandoned and the owner does not have the resources to clean it up or repair it.

I therefore recommend that we seize the vessel, notify the owner he has 30 days to pay all fees owed, and if not, the vessel would be auctioned off on October 10th at Noon in the Seldovia Multi-Purpose Room.

The downside to this decision would be if no one bid on it, the City would have custody of this vessel.

- City Offices

Weather permitting, I plan to prime the concrete base of the City Offices and then paint it gray.

- Street Sweeper

As you know the City of Anchorage has agreed to sell us a Johnson 400 Street Sweeper for \$20,000.00. We will need additional funds for transportation. \$2,000.00. Consequently, we need to amend the proposed Ordinance to include this \$2,000.00. That would bring the total amount appropriated to \$22,000.00.

- Leak Detection in Town

A company specializing in leak detection will be in town October 6, 7, and 8, to analyze our water system. Lynn Merino has contracted with these folks to do some preliminary analysis which might save us substantial money if they can accurately locate the mayor sources of leaking.

- Water Testing Lab

Our water testing lab is all set up in the Multi purpose building now. It will be certified by Sherri Trask, Microbiology Lab Certification Officer on Sept. 22 – 26th. This should save us a lot of money in future years.

### **City Manager Report - September 10, 2008**

- Husky II.

The Husky II has been seized due to non-payment of \$26,000

moorage fees. It is scheduled to be auctioned off at NOON on October 10th at the Multi-Purpose Room. No Trespassing signs have been posted on both entrances to the Husky II. Mr. Poffenroth has been sent a registered letter stating a demand for moorage payment and the time and place of the auction. A legal notice will be published in the Homer News on the 11th and 18th of September, inviting scrap metal dealers to bid on the Husky II. I will personally notify all the individuals that have expressed an interest in the Husky II of the time and place of the auction.

- Street Sweeper

After the supplement budget ordinance is passes, I will need to go to Anchorage to transfer title to Seldovia from Anchorage and make arrangements to transport it to Seldovia.

- Street Sanding

Our Public Works has now stockpiled over 50 yards of sand for street sanding this winter. Our sander has been tested and made operational; consequently, we should be well prepared for our new duties of sanding the streets.

- Alaska Energy Authority

We have been notified of the new grant cycle for Renewable Energy Projects. Application deadlines are Oct. 8th and Nov. 10th. This seems to be where discretionary money is at the state level. We don't have anything on the "shelf" that has been engineered that would qualify, but we need to think about this source of funding and what savings it might represent to the City.

- Selling Surplus Pilings

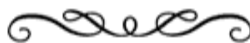
We have surplus pilings from the small harbor in the empty city lot located out the road at the old dump sight. We need to declare it surplus and I recommend we sell them for \$10.00 per foot if over 20 ft. long, and \$6.00 per foot if less than 20 ft. long. There are approximately 70 pilings there.

- Clinic Remodel

It has come to my attention that we have approximately \$7500.00 in grant funds and Hospital Guild Funds available for remodeling the clinic. In discussions with Mrs. Reynolds she would like to replace the carpet and make some minor changes in the clinic. These funds ware available and rug is is old and worn. We don't need to reappropriate the funds so all I need is the Council approval.

Seldovia Police Report *by Chief A.W. Anderson, Seldovia PD*

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