



McGrath City News

City Council

October Meeting Highlights

REGULAR MEETING – October 24, 2006

- **Oath of Office:** Doug Lyman was sworn in as the new member of the McGrath City Council for a 3-year term.
- **Election of Officers**
To re-elect Dustin Parker as Mayor and Karen Ladegard as Vice-Mayor
VOTE on both Motions: 5 of 5 present YES
(The 6th council member arrived at the meeting.)
- **Ordinance 07-05** – Parks & Recreation Division of the Public Works Department re-established
Motion: Public Hearing followed by the vote.
VOTE: 6 of 6 present YES. Adopted
- **Ordinance 07-06** – Amend McGrath Municipal Code to have “restitution” added to Violations & Penalties for convictions.
Motion: To hold a Public Hearing at the regular November council meeting.
VOTE: 6 of 6 present YES. Motion carried
- **Ordinance 07-07** – Vehicle Registration – Introduction.
Motion: to refer back to Public Safety Committee for rewording.
VOTE: 6 of 6 present. YES. Motion carried
- **Ordinance 07-08** – Speed Limits – clarifying start and end of existing speed limit zones
Motion: to hold a Public Hearing at the regular November council meeting.
VOTE: 6 of 6 present. YES Motion carried
- **Resolution 07-06 - First National Bank: council member, Clerk-Treasurer and check signer update.**
VOTE: 6 of 6 present. YES. Adopted
- **Motion: Teen Center** roof be repaired and the floor leveled.
VOTE: 6 of 6 present. YES Motion carried
Funding & labor/work will be a community effort.



During the season of Thanksgiving, we reflect on all that we are thankful for in our lives & community.

The city staff wishes each and every McGrath resident a very happy holiday season.



NRCS Emergency Erosion Project – Levee repair

The legal processes are underway and the City Attorney is collecting the necessary documents from the city to file in Superior Court in Bethel so that the affected property owners and the city can gain the easements for construction and maintenance.



Current extent of damage – photo taken just before freeze-up, showing the layers of exposed geotextile fabric used in the original construction of the levee. The NRCS project will provide for the complete rebuilding of 1,100’ of levee between the river and homes. In some places, the remaining levee is only a few feet wide at this time.



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Planning Commission
Monday, November 6th
7:00pm (rescheduled day)

Public Safety Comm.
Thursday November 9th
5:00pm

Public Works Comm.
Tuesday November 14th
5:00pm

**Volunteer Fire Dept. and
KVRS Joint meeting**
Wed. November 15th
7:00pm

Breakfast Club
Host: McGrath School
Fri. November 17th
10:30am - noon

Administration & Finance
Monday November 20th
7:00pm

Thanksgiving Holiday
Closed Thurs. 23-Sun. 26th

City Council Meeting
Tuesday November 28th
7:00pm



McGrath Teen Center

A community effort is underway to replace the roof on the Teen Center so that it can be reopened and serve the teenagers.

A project coordinator to organize phases of work and volunteer labor is needed. Anyone interested in this project is encouraged to contact the city office ASAP.

The youth of McGrath are our future. The Teen Center provides a safe, supervised place for them to hang out and have fun.

Contributions are beginning to come in.



Winter preparation of Water services

MMC Section 13.04.180 Cold weather maintenance.
The customer shall take all reasonable precautions to protect all water facilities, the customer's and the city's, against cold weather to prevent freeze up on the premises. The customer shall notify the city if the premises will be vacated for five or more consecutive days during periods of potential freeze-up. If requested, the city will assist each customer at each service location, once without charge, to adequately protect against cold weather. A charge will be levied thereafter in accordance with the schedule of rates and charges. The customer shall pay for any damages to city water facilities incurred directly or indirectly by the customer.

By consensus: United Utilities will be asked to raise the phone lines where they are low, in some cases, preventing movement of structures from one location to the other. A number of other structures are scheduled to be moved over roads through town within the next year.
Motion: Future land sales will continue to be offered with city financing (rather than requiring cash or bank financing).

VOTE: 6 of 6 present YES. Carried
Motion: To refer the method (lottery, sealed bid, outcry auction or over-the-counter) of future land sales to the Planning Commission.

VOTE: 6 of 6 present YES. Carried
Motion: Boat Launch - Moved to keep the AC slip as the location for permitting processes, through another in-person meeting with DOT and ADF&G in Anchorage, pursue the Permit from DOT for the AC slip area.

VOTE: 6 of 6 present YES. Carried
Motion: KNIK Construction - Moved to approve Appendix A (stipulations) to the Heavy Vehicle and Road Use Permits for their signature.

VOTE: 6 of 6 present YES. Carried
Motion: To approve the purchase of surplus heavy equipment (2 graders and 1 dozer from GSA).

VOTE: 6 of 6 present YES. Carried



\$500.00 plus performance bond and stipulations regarding removal.

By consensus: The Old Schoolhouse received no bids on the second offering. As stated on the bid form, the building will be offered over-the-counter at the minimum bid of \$500 and with the same deposit and removal stipulations.

