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BERING STRAITS NATIVE CORPORATION

BSNC Annual Meeting

Board expanded to insure village input

The Bering Straits Native Corporation Annual Meeting of Shareholders was held at the Mini-Convention Center in Nome on Saturday, November 5, 1983.

The meeting, scheduled to start at 10 a.m., was delayed until 3 pm to insure that a quorum was present. Attending the meeting in person were 200 shareholders, the rest being represented by proxy.

President Charles Johnson reported on the progress of the Corporation and its financial condition. He reported that the Corporation was showing a \$3.4 million loss for the 18 month period from January 1, 1982 through June 30, 1983 for which the financial report covered. He stated that Bering Straits Native Corporation would have had a positive cash flow except for the \$3.5 million in interest expense for debts incurred on investments made in the late 1970s.

Dan Fondell, Vice President of Land and Resources, reported that approximately one million acres of land out of the 2.25 million acres due has been conveyed by the Bureau of Land Management to the Bering Straits Native Corporation and the village corporations within the Bering Straits region.

Following discussion on the proxy statement and voting procedures the shareholders voted to amend the bylaws to change the method of selecting directors so that each village will elect at least one director to the board.

The change in the election procedure was requested by the village corporations at a meeting held in January 1983. The old method was to elect directors in a region wide election with 5 of the 15 directors elected at each annual meeting.

Under the amended bylaws, each village and at-large shareholders (those not enrolled to a village corporation) having a larger representation. Sitnasuak will elect 5 directors, Unalakleet 2, and the at-large shareholders electing 2 directors.

The new election will be held within 90 days. The present board has stated that it will voluntarily resign so that shareholders can elect board members under the new bylaws. Most of the present board has indicated that they will run in an election to be held in approximately three months. This change in the bylaws will increase the number of board members from 15 to 24.

The shareholders also approved payment of board fees and per diem to directors and the firm of Ernst and Whinney as auditors for the next fiscal year.

At an organization meeting after the Annual Meeting, the board of directors agreed to retain its present officers until the new election. Henry Ivanoff was appointed to sit on the board of the Alaska Federation of Natives as a re-



Photo by Josie Stiles

A PACKED HOUSE—Over 250 Shareholders attended the BSNC Annual Meeting Potluck at the Nome Elementary School gym



Photo by Josie Stiles

BSNC ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS—The meeting was held at Nome's Mini-Convention Center on November 5, 1983

placement for Charles Johnson, the newly elected Chairman of the AFN.

The present officers of the Bering Straits Native Corporation Board of Directors are:
Lonnie O'Connor of Sitnasuak, Chairman
Charles Johnson of White Mountain, President
Henry Ivanoff of Unalakleet, 1st Vice President
Z. "Bill" Barr of Shishmaref, 2nd Vice President
Frances Degnan of Unalakleet, Secretary
Blanche Walters of Sitnasuak, Treasurer
Paul Johnson of Unalakleet, Sgt. at Arms
Suzanne Wassmann, Asst. Secretary



IN THE MONEY—First prize winner, Velma Brown of White Mountain happily accepts her \$1,500 check from BSNC Bookkeeper Dorothy Isabell

Report of the Election Judges

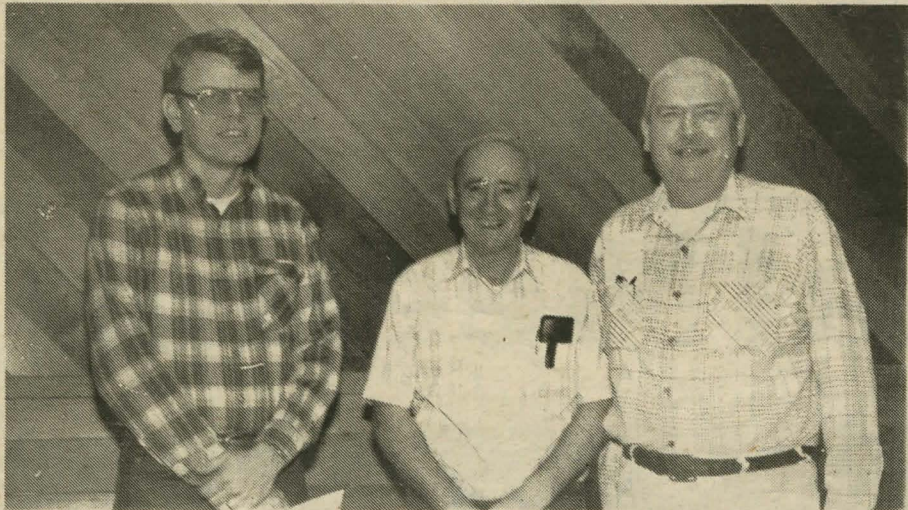


Photo by Josie Stiles

IN OUR JUDGEMENT—Alaska National Bank of the North President Dan Ford, businessman Pete Walsh and BIA Realty Specialist Harold Anderson served as Election Judges at the BSNC Annual Meeting

The shareholders of Bering Straits Native Corporation are grateful to Pete Walsh, Harold Anderson and Dan Ford for serving as Election Judges at the Annual Meeting. Harold Anderson has served as judge at every meeting since BSNC was incorporated. Pete Walsh has served on several occasions over the years. This was the first year of judging for Dan Ford. We hope to see him again next year.

The following is the Final Report of the Election Judges:

We the undersigned, having served as Election Judges for the Annual Stockholder's Meeting of Bering Straits Native Corporation held on the 5th day of November, 1983, do make this our final report.

1. There were 630,613 shares of stock entitled to vote at said meeting.
2. There were 320,175.7219 shares entitled to vote present or represented by proxy at the meeting; this was 50.7% of the total stock outstanding and entitled to vote at the meeting.
3. The following are the results of each round of ballots:

A. Election of Directors:

Editor's Note: Since changing the method of electing the Board of Directors was passed, directors were not elected at this meeting. An election will be held within 90 days.

B. Changing the Method of Electing Board of Directors.

Approval: 217,948.4247 votes.

Disapproval: 58,959.3228 votes.

C. Payment of Fees and Per Diem to Directors.

Approval: 259,401.6044 votes.

Disapproval: 45,069.635 votes.

D. Ratification of Independent Accountants.

Approval: 280,609.5168 votes.

Disapproval: 19,670.3892 votes.

Dated this 5th day of November, 1983, at Nome, Alaska.

Harold Anderson

Pearce M. Walsh

Dan Ford

Will form

BSNC IS REQUESTING THAT ALL STOCKHOLDERS FILL OUT THE WILL FORM FOUND ON THE BACK OF YOUR STOCK CERTIFICATE. PLEASE BE SURE TO HAVE IT NOTARIZED AND IF THERE IS NO NOTARY AVAILABLE YOU MAY HAVE THE POSTMASTER STAMP IT. UPON COMPLETION SEND TO THE NOME OFFICE AND A PHOTO-COPY WILL BE RETURNED TO YOU. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE YOUR STOCK CERTIFICATE AT HOME PLEASE WRITE AND A COPY WILL BE SENT TO YOU.

Bering Straits
Agluktuk

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Lots of hard work

The success of the November 5th Annual Meeting can be attributed to the hard work of many people.

In the week before the Annual Meeting, Perry Mendenhall, Lonnie O'Connor, Darryl Trigg, Chubby Olsen and Charlie Johnson were busy collecting proxy cards. Nome Eskimo Community donated the use of their van to aid in the canvassing effort.

Catherine Tobuk skillfully organized the well attended potluck on Friday evening at the Nome Elementary School. The food, prepared by approximately 40 cooks, was layed out on six, 7-foot long tables. Despite the bounty of food, "It was the first time we ever ran out of stew!" reports Catherine.

"I want to thank Blanche Walters, Dan and Luanne Fondell, Mary Ann Tiffany, Phoebe Ome-lak, Ruthe Streeter, Charlie and Brenda Johnson, Al Sahlin, Dorothy Isabell, Bob Evans, Carlton Tahbone, Helen and Harold Bell and Dave DePauw for serving the food and helping in countless other ways.

After dinner, the King Island Dancers entertained the well fed crowd of 250 shareholders.

A blizzard that began on Friday continued thru Saturday. The 40 MPH winds did not prevent several village flights carrying shareholders from arriving in Nome early Saturday morning.

BSNC staffers began their day at 7:00 A.M. in the Mini-Con-vention Center. Registration began at 8:00 A.M. Stockholder Registrar Helen Bell and Maggie Kow-chee were busy receiving proxies and entering them into the Proxy Register. Meanwhile, Assistant



Photo by Josie Stiles

MAYBE SOMEDAY I CAN VOTE—Dora Ahwinona and friend at the Annual Meeting

Stockholder Registrar Peggy Hardy, Village Accountant Dave DePauw and Josie Reader were hard at work tabulating votes.

Bookkeeper Dorothy Isabell and Lands Assistant, Ruthe Streeter kept the coffee pots full and generally insured that everything ran smoothly. Josie Stiles kept the meeting in focus by handily snapping pictures throughout the day.

Since a quorum was not present at the scheduled meeting time of 10:00 A.M., the shareholders broke for lunch. By 2:00 P.M. Vern "Tito" Kugzruk assisted by Caleb Pungowiyi began calling numbers for bingo. A total of \$1,000 was given away in bingo prizes which was played throughout the rest of the day during breaks in the meeting.

At 3:00 P.M. a quorum was reached and the 10th Annual Shareholder's Meeting of Bering Straits Native Corporation was underway. Seven and one half hours later at 10:30 P.M. the long day had ended and the Annual Meeting was history.



Photo by Sylvie

WHO IS GOING TO WIN?—John & Grace Pullock of King Island, Mary Brunz of Teller, Stella Davis of Shishmaref and Harriet & Pamela Simpson of Wales try their luck at bingo during the BSNC Annual Meeting

IF YOU HAVE MOVED OR CHANGED YOUR MAILING ADDRESS OR HAVE CHANGED YOUR NAME, PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING FORM. (IF IT IS A NAME CHANGE PLEASE INCLUDE A COPY OF YOUR MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE) AND SEND TO:

BERING STRAITS NATIVE CORPORATION
P.O. BOX 1008
NOME, AK 99762 or CALL 907-443-5252.

NAME _____

NEW NAME _____

I.D. NO. _____ SS# _____

STREET OR BOX NO. _____ APT NO. _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

(LIST OTHER STOCKHOLDERS MOVING TO SAME ADDRESS (SPOUSE, CHILDREN)) _____

IF YOU KNOW OF A SHAREHOLDER WHO IS DECEASED, PLEASE WRITE US FOR AN INHERITANCE QUESTIONNAIRE & AFFIDAVIT AND LIST THE NAME OF THE DECEASED SHAREHOLDER _____

PERSON REQUESTING FORM _____

ADDRESS: _____

A word of thanks



Photo by Josie Stiles

A LOT OF HELP FROM MY FRIENDS—Catherine Tobuk organized the well attended potluck. Serving food left to right are Board Member Tessie Peoples and Norman Menadelook, Catherine Tobuk and Village Accountant, Dave DePauw

By Catherine Tobuk, Secretary/Receptionist

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the wonderful people who cooked for the BSNC Annual Meeting Potluck:

Reindeer Roasts: Blanche Walters, Mary Ann Tiffany, Leora Kenick Labinski, Rose Kowchee, Lena Hoogendorn, Irene Kakik.

Reindeer Stew: Nancy Felton, Catherine Tobuk. BSNC supplied the reindeer and the cooks supplied their talents. Frozen Salmon which were willingly donated by Bill Dann and Jennie Alowa - many thanks.

Those baking fish: Myrtle Johnson, Carol Piscoya, Trudy Dotomain. Potato Salads: Liz Walters, Lucille McDaniels, Julie Farley, Theresa Waters, Mary Carter, Berda Wilson, Corrinne Snyder, Dolly Kugzruk, Edna Alvanna and Pauline Fagerstrom. Macaroni Salad: Amelia Sahlin, Clara Langton, Sandy Tahbone, Sadie Reddaway, Angela Miller, Nancy Mendenhall. Cakes: Liz Walters, Snowball Miller, Tiny Carpenter, Lillian Paniptchuk, Norene O'Connor, JoAnn Ozenna, Lucy Trigg, Lola Tobuk, Shelly Trainor, Helen Bell. Fry Bread: Brenda Johnson, Mrs. Nick Wongitillin. Many other women also brought doughnuts and I wish to also thank them. Jello Salad: Barb Gray. Eskimo Icecream: Daisy Jack, Bertha Adsuna, Catherine Kasgnoc.

Special thanks to XYZ for the donation of the delicious baked tom cod. What a treat!!!

Thanks to the staff and crew and anyone who helped to set up the tables and chairs. Last but not least, thanks to the clean-up crew who were ably supervised by fearless Nancy Mendenhall. There are so many people to thank who brought good food and helped in many ways.

We thank you for attending. In closing, as all those know who sampled the delicious food - we have many good cooks in Nome.

"Quianna!!!!"



Photo by Josie Stiles

DID YOU HEAR THE ONE ABOUT THE...—BSNC President Charlie Johnson takes a break with Lincoln Trigg and Perry Mendenhall during the Annual Meeting

Congratulations !!!

The following people won the prizes awarded at the Bering Straits Native Corporation Annual Meeting:

1st Prize - 3-Wheel Honda ATC 110, from Bonanza FOB Nome or \$1,500 Cash - Velma Brown of White Mountain.

2nd Prize - \$750 Cash - Irene Armstrong of Sitnasuak.

3rd Prize - 2 Round-Trip Tickets, Nome to Anchorage - Richard Komok of Teller.

4th Prize - Shotgun, Model 870 Remington, 12 Ga. Magnum - Ambrose Otten, Sr., of St. Michael.

5th Prize - \$300 Shopping Spree at OO-Q-VOK - Frances Katongan, Jr. of Unalakleet.

6th Prize - Radio or \$200 - Cynthia Piscoya of Sitnasuak.

7th Prize to 10th Prize - \$100 Savings Bond - Laura Mae Amaktoolik of Golovin, Frank Paniptchuk, Sr. of Shaktoolik, Robert A. Tootkaylok of Solomon and Paul Ongtookuk of Sitnasuak.



Photo by Josie Stiles

42 FEET OF FOOD—There were plenty of delicious dishes prepared by about 40 cooks for the potluck



Photo by Josie Stiles

LOAD 'EM UP—BSNC elders fill their plates at the Annual Meeting Potluck

WHERE ARE YOU? BSNC NEEDS CURRENT ADDRESSES FOR THE FOLLOWING STOCKHOLDERS:

Raymond John Amarok
James Allen Beaver
Roy Peter Beaver
Patrick Olana Binford
Gregory James Bogojavlensky
Phillip Thomas Bowman
Bruce Malcolm Buchanan
John Charles
Michael Duane Charles
Tracy Lee Cooper
Edward Michael Cowger
Bobbi Ann Craun
Frances A. Dirks
Marion Ruth Eakon
Collins Alfred Gonangnan II
Miles Gonangnan II
Mary Hanson
Marion Maxine Henry
Richard Edmond Hudson
Phillip Edward Hunter
Michelle Andrea Koweluk
Vicki Lynn Kruse
Dagnan Thomas Kunuk
Ryan Marshall Lant
Lorraine Lupson
Randy Scott Martin, Jr.
Irene Ann Martin
James Harvey McAlear II
Ronald McGuire
Richard Stanley Montgomery
Thomas Keelick Octuck, Jr.
Anna Sharon Okboak
Shirley Ollom
John Carl Oman
Reginald Lee Oman
Paralee E. Oquillock
Evelyn Kitty Pederson
Stella Polaretzke
Romana Prieto
John Albert Reimer
Anna Agnes Riley
Alden Roberts
Jan A. Saario

Misha Lee Sagoonick
Michael V. Samuelson
Wayne A. Samuelson
Gary B. Savetilik
Jacob Aranapanak Snowball
Leona Mary Strohmeier
Donald Takak, Jr.
Karen M. Tetpon
Kathryn Tootkaylok
Katherine Joan Watson
Meta Movae White
Stephanie Willock
Geraldine Esther Wilson



CHARLENE SACLAMANA at the 1983 AFN

Bering Straits Native Corporation

Notice of Special Shareholders Meeting

Saturday, February 18, 1984

10:00AM

Mini-Convention Center

Nome, Alaska

NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION

The BSNC Shareholders, at the November 5, 1983 Annual Meeting, voted to enlarge and restructure the BSNC Board of Directors. The Board will now have 24 Directors, one from each of the smallest 15 villages, 2 from At-Large Shareholders, 2 from Unalakleet and 5 from Sitnasuak.

ALL 24 DIRECTORS WILL BE ELECTED AT THIS SPECIAL MEETING. All present Board Members have agreed to resign to help implement the new plan. Present Board Members can run for election to the new Board.

Shareholders wishing to run for a position on the Board are requested to send a letter of intent, including their current address, phone number, the village to which they are enrolled (or At-Large) and a resume listing qualifications to:

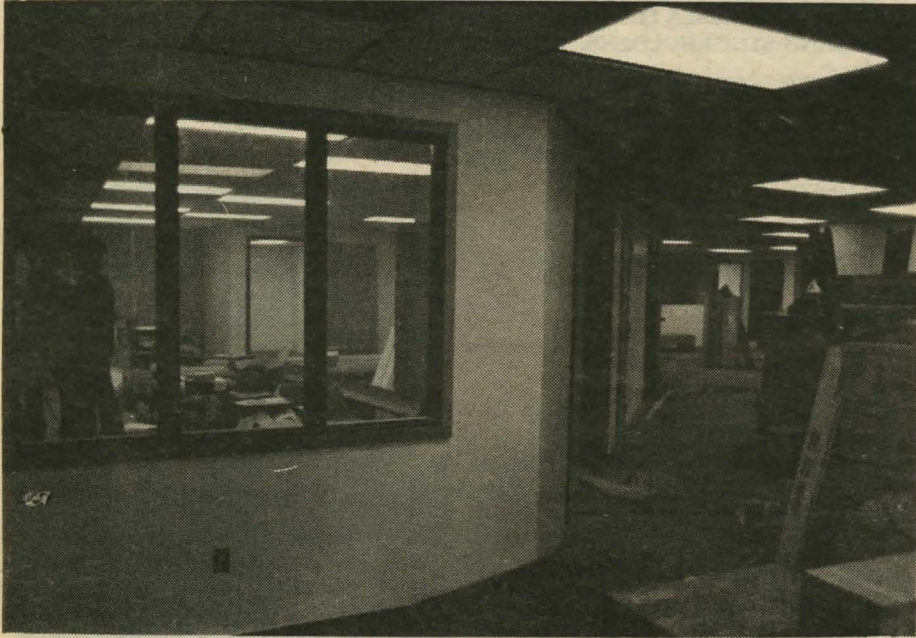
Nominating Committee
P.O. Box 1008
Nome, Alaska 99762

All letters of intent are to be postmarked no later than December 22, 1983 and received in Nome no later than December 28, 1983.



TOP BRASS—BSNC Chairman of the Board Lonnie O'Connor was an outstanding host to Governor Bill Sheffield and friend Kay England at the AFN/Tundra Times Banquet

Building progress



ANY DAY NOW—The BSNC Office building is in the final weeks of completion. Pictured to the left are the BSNC Offices with the reception area on the right leading to the Kawerak administration offices on the second floor

Take notice...

LEGAL NOTICE

SOLOMON NATIVE CORPORATION has begun its reconveyance program under section 14(c) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act. The reconveyances will be for land around Solomon which was occupied by individuals/organizations on December 18, 1971 as either (1) a primary place of residence (2) primary place of business, (3) subsistence campsite, (4) headquarters for reindeer husbandry or (5) site of a nonprofit organization.

Application forms and further information are available from:

Joe Curran
P.O. Box 243
Nome, Alaska 99762

Applications will be accepted until December 31, 1983.

Rose Ann Timbers, President
Solomon Native Corporation

LEGAL NOTICE

COUNCIL NATIVE CORPORATION has begun its reconveyance program under section 14(c) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act. The reconveyances will be for land around Council which was occupied by individuals/organizations on December 18, 1971 as either (1) primary place of business, (3) subsistence campsite, (4) headquarters for reindeer husbandry or (5) site of a non-profit organization.

Application forms and further information are available from:

Barb Gray
P.O. Box 665
Nome, Alaska 99762
Telephone: 443-2370

Applications will be accepted until December 31, 1983.

Karen Dickson, President
Council Native Corporation
P.O. Box 665
Nome, Alaska 99762

"CABIN SITES"

Golovin Native Corporation, Village Corporation of Golovin Bay, Alaska 99762.

Established pursuant to Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, is now accepting 14(C), (1), and/or (2) Applications.

If you have used a Parcel of Land on or before December 18, 1971 for any of the following purposes, you may be eligible.

1. Primary place of Residence.
2. Primary place of Business.
3. Subsistence campsite, Fishing camp, Fall or Winter Camp, Berry Camp, Trapping Camp, etc.
4. Reindeer Headquarters.
5. Non-Profit organizations, (Church, or Social organizations).

Names of Persons, interested should leave their names and locations and purpose at the office of the Golovin Bay Corporation.

All applications must be received, or if mailed Postmarked no later than December 31, 1983.

Additional information can be obtained from Golovin Native Corporation, Land Manager, Albert Jackson at 907-779-3251.

Kathy Fagerstrom
Secretary

GOLOVIN NATIVE CORPORATION

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

THE GOLOVIN NATIVE CORPORATION ANNUAL STOCKHOLDER'S MEETING SHALL BE HELD ON JANUARY 12, 1984 AT THE MARTIN L. OLSON HIGH SCHOOL, GOLOVIN, ALASKA. REGISTRATION SHALL BEGIN AT 3:00 P.M. JANUARY 12th AND CLOSE AT 7:00 P.M. PLEASE ATTEND THE MEETING IN PERSON OR BY PROXY. DOOR PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED.

GOLOVIN NATIVE CORPORATION
GOLOVIN, ALASKA 99762
(907) 779-3251