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COMMUNITY AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT STUDY

Co-Chairmen  
Senator Arliss Sturgulewski  
Representative Bill Parker

Address all  
correspondence to:  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT STUDY

Pouch V  
State Capitol  
Juneau, Alaska 99811

August 10, 1979

TO: Representative Bill Parker  
Co-Chairman

FROM: Senator Arliss Sturgulewski  
Co-Chairman

SUBJECT: Alaska Municipal League

Bill, I am sending you information regarding the Alaska Municipal League meeting to be held in Valdez later on this month. I think it is important that we are represented to bring the Municipal League Legislative Committee up-to-date on exactly what we are doing with the Local Government Study. We are meeting quite a few of the League concerns in the approach that we are utilizing, but they may well have other areas of interest as far as particular problems in the organized municipalities. I know that Representative Margaret Branson plans on attending this meeting and I am going. I will be talking to Mrs. Ginny Chitwood to get further details on when an appropriate time might be to appear both before the Legislative Committee and the Municipal League Board.

I am sending along this advance word in case you would also like to attend all or part of that session. I will see that Marge will get additional information to you as soon as it is available.

Attachment  
cc: Mrs. M. Gorsuch  
Mr. G. Walsh

Yalby - Talk to Genny C.

① Contact Genny re appropriate  
satisfactions

② Discuss w/ Genny  
content of presentation

a. "approach as result  
symposium"

b. Role G.M.B. - other items

c. result questionnaire

d. A.B. 77 needed revisions

*Alaska*  
**MUNICIPAL**  
*League*

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204 N. FRANKLIN ST.  
JUNEAU, ALASKA 99801

August 7, 1979

Senator Arliss Sturgulewski  
Chairman  
Community and Regional Affairs Committee

Dear Senator Sturgulewski:

The Alaska Municipal League has scheduled the meeting of the Board of Directors and the Legislative Committee for Valdez beginning at 1:30 p.m. on August 22 in the Valdez Council Chambers.

They will be considering additions, deletions and changes to the League's policy statement along with other League business.

I would like to take this opportunity to invite you and/or members of your staff to participate in these meetings.

Please advise the League office if you and your staff will be able to attend.

Sincerely,

*Ginny Chitwood*  
Ginny Chitwood  
Executive Director

*Mark Lewis, Mayor, Valdez*  
835-4313

ALASKA MUNICIPAL LEAGUE  
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING - 1979  
VALDEZ, ALASKA

T E N T A T I V E   A G E N D A

August 22                      Convene - Valdez Council Chambers                      1:30 p.m.

- I. Municipal Lands Selection
- II. Legislative Report by staff
  - A. Special Session
  - B. Status of League bills
- III. Policy Statement - Deletions, additions or changes
- IV. Items for consideration
  - A. Instant Unification
  - B. Reapportionment
  - C. Funding for Community Councils
  - D. In-state use of natural resources vs. sale
  - E. Initiative to eliminate state income tax
  - F. Form for bill analysis
  - G. CRA guideline for the administration of senior citizen exemptions

August 23                      Convene - Valdez Council Chambers                      9:00 a.m.

Continue Agenda.

August 24                      AML Board convenes at 9:00 a.m.  
Legislative Committee chairman's report scheduled  
for afternoon. Interested members invited to  
participate.

Members please note:

If you have additional items for the agenda, notify the  
League office immediately.

If you have not done so already, contact Mark Lewis, City  
Manager, Valdez, at 835-4313, for hotel reservations.

ALASKA MUNICIPAL LEAGUE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING - 1979  
VALDEZ, ALASKA

T E N T A T I V E   A G E N D A

August 24

Convenc - Valdez Council Chambers

9:00 a.m.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Minutes of previous meeting
  - A. Ratification of minutes dated January 19
  - B. Approval of minutes dated February 3
  - C. Ratification of conference call and executive committee action in hiring executive director on February 14 and February 24.
- IV. Staff Reports
  - A. Activities
    1. Executive Director
      - a. Federal/State Land Use Planning Meeting
      - b. NACo meeting
      - c. DEC contract
    2. Director, Program Services
      - a. IPA - 1979, Spring
      - b. IPA - 1979, Conference
      - c. Special Session
      - d. Salary survey
      - e. State Aid Catalog revision
    3. Administrative Assistant
      - a. Newsletter
  - B. Financial
    1. Monthly Operating Statement
    2. Murray, Bradley and Rockey bill
    3. 1980 Preliminary budget
    4. Membership - status of those members in arrears
    5. 1978-79 Audit
- V. Old Business
  - A. DOT Contract
  - B. NLC
    1. Steering Committee appointments
    2. Small Cities' Advisory Council Appointments

VI. New Business

- A. Tentative Conference Schedule
- B. AML Reorganization
  - 1. Election of directors
  - 2. Past presidents as voting board members
  - 3. Legislative committee appointments
- ✓ C. Interim Committee on Local Government Study
- D. Natural Resources
  - 1. Governor's Points on (d)2
  - 2. In-state use of natural resources vs. sale

VII. Legislative Committee Report

- A. Recommended changes to policy statement
- B. Municipal Land Selection and State Land Disposal update
- C. Form for bill analysis
- D. Initiative to eliminate state income tax

VIII. Meeting announcements

- A. Public Lands
- B. NLC Congress of Cities
- C. NLC and NACo Legislative meetings in Washington, D. C.
- D. WIR
- E. NACo annual conference

August 25           Continue if necessary  
                      (A boat and fishing trip is planned courtesy City of Valdez)

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Please bring the 3-ring notebook the staff prepared for you last spring which contains minutes of past meetings, etc.

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5/16/79

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Draft / survey

electoral officials  
administrative head  
attorney  
clerk

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Although the primary thrust of the study is "what to do" in the unorganized borough, the committee is also interested in identifying municipal problems and concerns which may be addressed legislatively. They are also interested in addressing the question of state versus municipal responsibility for the funding + delivery of public services and the construction, maintenance + operation of public facilities. This question of course, raises issues with application both in the organized and unorganized areas.

In an attempt to quantify municipal problem areas, we have devised the enclosed questionnaire and ask that you please find a few minutes in your busy schedule to jot down your ideas on it.

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204 N. Franklin St.

Juneau, Ak 99801

Thank you very much for your  
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Sincerely

second  
class cities

## Local Government Study

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the end of July to:

AML  
204 NF  
Tnu, AK 99801

name \_\_\_\_\_  
position held \_\_\_\_\_  
municipality \_\_\_\_\_

Do you believe the authority granted by State  
law to second class cities is  
too broad? \_\_\_\_\_  
about right? \_\_\_\_\_  
too restrictive \_\_\_\_\_  
Please explain your answers. \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any legislative changes to propose?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Do you believe the provision of services  
could be easier if there was a form of regional  
government for your area? \_\_\_\_\_ Please

b)

explain. \_\_\_\_\_

③ Does your <sup>city</sup> ~~municipality~~ provide any service that you believe could be better provided by another entity, such as the state or federal government, native non-profit corporation, etc.? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, which services and by whom? \_\_\_\_\_

④ Are there services provided by others that you believe could be better provided by your city? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, which services? \_\_\_\_\_

⑤ Is there or should there be a difference between who provides a service & who pays for it? \_\_\_\_\_ Please explain your answer. \_\_\_\_\_

⑥ Rank the following in order of importance in financing your city?

- \_\_\_\_\_ property tax
- \_\_\_\_\_ sales tax
- \_\_\_\_\_ user fees + service charges
- \_\_\_\_\_ state revenue sharing
- \_\_\_\_\_ federal revenue sharing
- \_\_\_\_\_ state grants
- \_\_\_\_\_ federal grants
- \_\_\_\_\_ other, such as land sales (please specify) ← \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_ need for increase in 2nd class city powers  
\_\_\_\_\_ " " decrease " " " "  
\_\_\_\_\_ other (please specify)

Q) What do you consider the #1 problem facing your city today? \_\_\_\_\_

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Q) Is there anyone in your city who would be willing to work on this study? \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you have service areas? \_\_\_\_\_ for  
what purposes? \_\_\_\_\_

any problems with  
statutory definition?  
method of creation?  
taxing method?  
manageability?  
administrative cost?  
etc.?

2) Does the service area  $\neq$  concept "work" as a method of delivering different services + differing levels of service? \_\_\_\_\_ 5

3) With respect to planning + zoning powers, do you favor  
borough retaining control \_\_\_\_\_  
cities obtaining more control \_\_\_\_\_ 5  
other method (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

4) Have you altered or attempted to alter the boundaries of your municipality in the last 10 years, including unification? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, any problems with the procedure? (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

list any suggested changes \_\_\_\_\_

5) Has your council or assembly been apportioned or reapportioned in the last 10 years? \_\_\_\_\_ Or are you considering reapportionment? \_\_\_\_\_ Any problems with the procedure? \_\_\_\_\_  
Any suggested changes? \_\_\_\_\_

Does your municipality receive revenue  
in service charges and/or user fees? \_\_\_\_\_  
o, what kind? water \_\_\_\_\_, sewer \_\_\_\_\_,  
at harbor \_\_\_\_\_, parking \_\_\_\_\_, swimming  
l \_\_\_\_\_, other parks + recreation \_\_\_\_\_  
q licenses \_\_\_\_\_, solid waste disposal  
\_\_\_\_\_, other \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have self-supporting activities, whereby  
user charge covers the cost of operation,  
such as a water utility? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, what  
and? \_\_\_\_\_

Rank the following in order of importance  
for financing your municipality?

property tax

sales tax

~~other~~ <sup>user</sup> local fees + service charges

state revenue sharing

federal revenue sharing

~~state grants~~  
~~federal grants~~  
other, such as land sales (please specify)

Do you believe that a different ranking would be  
better? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, what? \_\_\_\_\_

1) Are you satisfied with the current state revenue sharing program? \_\_\_\_\_ What do you view as its major positive & negative points?

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Do you believe there should be a different distribution to local governments of revenues generated by taxation of the state's resources? \_\_\_\_\_  
— If so, any suggestions on how? \_\_\_\_\_

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How does the timing of legislative approval of the budget impact your budgetary process? \_\_\_\_\_  
Is predictability from year to year a factor? \_\_\_\_\_

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Does your municipality provide any service that you believe could be better <sup>provided</sup> ~~performed~~ by another entity, such as the federal or state government, non-profit corporation, or profit corporation? \_\_\_\_\_  
If so, which services and by whom? \_\_\_\_\_

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3) Are there services provided by others that you believe could be better provided by your municipality? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, what services?

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4) Is there or should there be a difference between who provides the service + who pays for it? \_\_\_\_\_ Please explain your answer.

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5) What are the major issues you would like the legislature to address in the next session?

- \_\_\_\_\_ state revenue sharing method
- \_\_\_\_\_ city/borough roles
- \_\_\_\_\_ need for increase or decrease in municipal powers
- \_\_\_\_\_ formation of boroughs in unorganized borough
- \_\_\_\_\_ need for increase or decrease in school board powers
- \_\_\_\_\_ other (please specify)

6) What do you consider the #1 problem facing your municipality today? \_\_\_\_\_

7) Is there anyone in your municipality who would be willing to work on this study? \_\_\_\_\_

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Alaska Municipal League

Local Gov. Survey

8-9-79 11:45

Arlice,

THE LEAGUE HAS NOT COMPILED THE SURVEY INFORMATION  
AT THIS TIME. THEY WILL SEND YOU A COPY WHEN THEY HAVE DONE SO.

Laura

LOCAL GOVERNMENT STUDY

Please return completed questionnaire before July 31, 1979 to:

(Printed responses would be appreciated)

Alaska Municipal League  
204 North Franklin  
Juneau, Alaska 99801

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

POSITION \_\_\_\_\_

MUNICIPALITY \_\_\_\_\_

(1) Do you believe the authority granted by state law to your municipality is:

Too Broad \_\_\_\_\_ About Right \_\_\_\_\_ Too Restrictive \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any legislative changes to propose? \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Do you have service areas? \_\_\_\_\_ For what purposes? \_\_\_\_\_

Any Problem with: Statutory Definition \_\_\_\_\_ Method of Creation \_\_\_\_\_

Taxing Method \_\_\_\_\_ Manageability \_\_\_\_\_ Administrative Cost \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

(3) Does the service area concept "work" as a method of delivering different services and differing levels of service? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

(4) With respect to planning and zoning powers, do you favor:

Borough Retaining Control \_\_\_\_\_

Cities Obtaining More Control \_\_\_\_\_

Other Methods (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Have you altered or attempted to alter the boundaries of your municipality in the last 10 years (excluding unification)? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

If so, any problems with the procedures? (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

(6) Has your council or assembly been apportioned or reapportioned in the last 10 years? \_\_\_\_\_ Are you considering reapportionment? \_\_\_\_\_

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Any suggested changes? \_\_\_\_\_

(7) Does your municipality receive revenue from service charges and/or user fees? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

If so, what kind? Water \_\_\_\_\_ Sewer \_\_\_\_\_ Boat Harbor \_\_\_\_\_ Parking \_\_\_\_\_

Swimming Pool \_\_\_\_\_ Other Parks & Recreation \_\_\_\_\_ Dog Licenses \_\_\_\_\_

Solid Waste Disposal \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

(8) Do you have self-supporting activities, whereby the user charge covers the cost of operation, such as a water utility? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

If so, what kind? \_\_\_\_\_

(9) Rank the following in order of importance to financing your municipality:

Property Tax \_\_\_\_\_ Sales Tax \_\_\_\_\_ Fees & Service Charges \_\_\_\_\_

State Revenue Sharing \_\_\_\_\_ Federal Revenue Sharing \_\_\_\_\_

State Grants \_\_\_\_\_ Federal Grants \_\_\_\_\_

Other, such as land sales (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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Please explain your answer. \_\_\_\_\_

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or Decrease in Municipal Powers \_\_\_\_\_ Formation of Boroughs in Unorganized

Borough \_\_\_\_\_ Need for Increase or Decrease in School Board Powers \_\_\_\_\_

Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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2 class cities

7<sup>th</sup> / 1981

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Jnu. AK 99801

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Position held \_\_\_\_\_

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other, such as land sales (please specify)

do you believe that a different ranking would be  
better? \_\_\_\_\_ if so, what? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you satisfied with the current state revenue sharing program? \_\_\_\_\_ What do you view as its major positive & negative points?

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Do you believe there should be a different distribution to local governments of revenues generated by taxation of the state's resources? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, any suggestions on how? \_\_\_\_\_

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How does the timing of legislative approval of the budget impact your budgetary process? \_\_\_\_\_ Is predictability from year to year a factor? \_\_\_\_\_

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Does your municipality provide any service that you believe could be better ~~performed~~ <sup>provided</sup> by another entity, such as the federal or state government, non-profit corporation, or profit corporation? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, which services and by whom? \_\_\_\_\_

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6) Are there services provided by others that you believe could be better provided by your municipality? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, what service?

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7) Is there or should there be a difference between who provides the service & who pays for it? \_\_\_\_\_ Please explain your answer.

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8) What are the major issues you would like the legislature to address in the next session?

\_\_\_\_\_ state revenue sharing method

\_\_\_\_\_ city/borough roles

\_\_\_\_\_ need for increase or decrease in municipal powers

\_\_\_\_\_ formation of boroughs in unorganized borough

\_\_\_\_\_ need for increase or decrease in school board powers

\_\_\_\_\_ other (please specify)

9) What do you consider the #1 problem facing your municipality today? \_\_\_\_\_

10) Is there anyone in your municipality who would be willing to work on this study? \_\_\_\_\_

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① 11/1/79 address to ~~Alaska Municipal League~~ <sup>Alaska Municipal League</sup>  
It's good to be here with you <sup>SITH</sup>  
in a staunch supporter of local  
government. Even more so, perhaps,  
after just one session in the State  
Senate. Too often the impacts to  
local governments are not fully  
considered when legislation is before  
the state legislature. The increased  
visibility of Alaska Municipal League  
is really <sup>important for future sessions.</sup> ~~standing~~. We can  
look at past sessions HB 66, the  
land bill, to point <sup>out</sup> how severe <sup>the</sup> ~~an~~  
impact on local government can be  
through legislation that fails to consider  
back home impacts. ~~By the~~ Along this  
line, I will ask the joint committee  
to introduce an ~~act~~ act that  
would require fiscal notes for  
bills affecting municipalities. <sup>for example,</sup>  
After times legislation affecting the  
state employees also impact local  
governments. We need to be constantly  
aware of what we do to you

I'd like to make just a couple  
of comments regarding the upcoming  
session and then on to the local

(2) Government Study <sup>after 1980</sup>

1st - As you know when I chaired the AMB Legislative Committee I strongly urged League to draft that legislation that was important to carry out certain policy & items I still urge that approach. I will work with you and your staff to see that the legislation gets introduced and receives a fair hearing. Learn about the Legislature's increased title conference capability and ask for Statute public hearings & rd. I notice the major emphasis on resource and economic development. Without question you are seeing a trend that will increasingly dominate local government during the decade of the 80's. A word of caution may be in order. Whenever possible I think we should encourage maximum leverage of our \$'s through programs such as the Bond Bank and the Alaska Industrial Development Authority

③ If the state and municipalities feel it is appropriate to be in housing, we should look to tax exempt funding through A/H 7C or a similar mechanism instead of tying up vast amounts of general surplus \$'s in less than market interest equities. We are so dependent on a single source tax base that we must consider liquidity of our general fund.

3rd - note of caution. The legislature faces such a year. The effects of Prop 13 are present and you will see a threat to reduce <sup>state</sup> operating budgets and a hold back on new program. But you will see the greatest threat for all the glories of a finance ~~to~~ free conference committee out of control. ~~The~~ Great Capital projects, when the economy is slow, speak to great goals of increased employment and business. We need to be aware of the soundness of the projects and most critically the ~~cost~~ operational

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cost implications that frequently  
fact in local governments.

Now to the local government study  
League has had a study item for  
some years calling for a Blue Ribbon  
Study Committee on local government.

After major <sup>planning</sup> thorough formation in  
early sixties and of the evolution  
since, a feeling has been growing  
that a real need exists to take a  
good look at where we are. ~~Boroughs~~  
~~have not been~~ with the major  
exception of the North Slope Borough, we  
have not seen several Alaska embrace  
the Borough concept. But if a trend  
it is apparent it is in the  
development of the service area  
approach - special purpose  
districts are now in place:

1. Aquaculture Service Areas
2. Coastal Reserve " "
3. Regional Education " "



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(1) Yukon - let's Borough study  
capably done by Derbyshire

(2) Certainly possible, as to go  
other pipeline boroughs.

(3) Request to the Alaska Coastal  
Policy Council yesterday for extension  
of time for districts plus implementation  
powers for those districts in the  
unorganized borough.

If we are to move toward the realization of  
~~then~~ ~~our effort~~ ~~to~~ ~~bring~~ ~~about~~ ~~the~~ ~~two~~ ~~major~~ ~~changes~~  
article x which calls for  
to most local self government  
appear. Then our efforts need to  
be directed in 2 major areas.

(1) Changes in how state gov.  
conducts its services coordinated here.

(2) Kind of mechanism used in  
rural Alaska - to meet the <sup>emerging</sup> needs  
of construction of services - resource  
planning etc. Regional lines for planning  
for coordination #10 in resource program

Discussions

A-97

Recording

Revenue Sharing

Unorganized Assemblies

Home rule

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not my final note

SB137 re-appointment

had vote of several groups

& talk you.

work with you re recording of land  
map problem of land transfer in  
years to come

local gov. etc.

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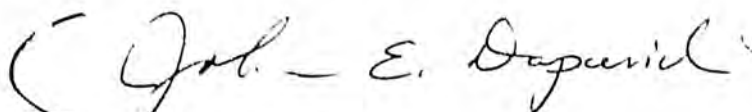
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## Conference Agenda

### Monday, October 29

- PLANNING ASSOCIATION MEETING  
New Archangel Room, Sheffield House.....Afternoon/Evening
- CONFERENCE REGISTRATION  
Lobby, Sheffield House.....4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- MUNICIPAL FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
Shee Atika Lodge.....4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
Roberley Potter Residence.....8:00 pm
- ELECTION REFORM COMMITTEE HEARING  
Pioneer Room, Sheffield House.....8:00 pm

### Tuesday, October 30

- REGISTRATION  
Lobby, Centennial Building.....7:30 am - 7:00 pm
- OPENING SESSION  
Auditorium, Centennial Building.....8:00 am - 9:00 am
- Presiding:  
Phil Younker, President, Alaska Municipal League  
Alaska Flag Song  
History of Sitka - Gene Prewitt  
Welcome by Sitka Mayor, John Dapceovich  
Roll Call  
Appointment of Conference Committees
- Conference Keynote Address  
Frank Francois, President, National Association of Counties  
Introduction by: John Carlson, Mayor, Fairbanks North Star Borough
- MUNICIPAL FINANCE OFFICERS MEETING  
Auditorium, Centennial Building.....9:00 am - 5:00 pm
- FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT TRAINING PROGRAM  
Pioneer Room, Sheffield House.....9:00 am - 12 noon
- Conducted by:  
Municipal Finance Officers Association  
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PANEL DISCUSSION ON STATE & FEDERAL LANDS

Maksoutoff Room, Centennial Building.....9:00 am - 12 noon

Moderator:

Don Gilman, Director, Alaska Municipal League

Speakers:

Senator H.D. "Pete" Meland

Representative Bill Miles

Ted Smith, Division of Lands, Department of Natural Resources

Phil Berrian, Planning Director - Fairbanks North Star Borough

Lee Sharp, Attorney - City and Borough of Juneau

Deming Cowles, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Environmental Conservation

Linda Bennett, Public Lands Staffer, National Association of Counties

DELEGATE LUNCHEON

New Archangel Room, Sheffield House.....12:15 pm - 1:45 pm

Presiding:

Phil Younker, President, Alaska Municipal League

Speaker:

Lieutenant Governor, Terry Miller

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FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT TRAINING PROGRAM (continued)

Pioneer Room, Sheffield House.....2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION & PARATRANSIT WORKSHOP

Rousseau Room, Centennial Building.....2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Conducted By:

Stan Feinsod, Executive Director, American Public Transit Association

Lloyd Robinson, Planner, DOT/PF

Pete Eackland, Transportation Consultant

MUNICIPAL TORT LIABILITY

Maksoutoff Room, Centennial Building.....2:00 pm - 3:15 pm

Conducted By:

Richard Garnett III, Attorney

HOW TO INCREASE ECONOMIC ACTIVITY IN YOUR AREA

Maksoutoff Room, Centennial Building.....3:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Conducted By:

Dave Rose, Executive Director, AIDA/Alaska Municipal Bond Bank Authority

CENSUS WORKSHOP

Rousseau Room, Centennial Building.....4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Conducted By:

Marvin Postma, Regional Census Manager

MUNICIPAL ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION MEETING

Pestchouhoff Room, Centennial Building.....2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

President's Suite, Shee Atika Lodge.....4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

GET ACQUAINTED BEER AND PIZZA PARTY

Auditorium, Centennial Building.....7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Masters of Ceremonies:

Roberley Potter, 2nd Vice President, Alaska Municipal League

Dan Keck, Member, Legislative Committee

Entertainment:

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Wednesday, October 31

REGISTRATION

Lobby, Centennial Building.....9:00 am - 5:00 pm

NLC UPDATE BREAKFAST

New Archangel Room, Sheffield House.....7:30 am - 9:30 am

Presiding:

Ted Lehne, Director, Alaska Municipal League

"Reenactment of General Revenue Sharing & Other NLC Priorities"

Speaker: Don Jones, Assistant to the Executive Director for State Programs

Wake Up Cart Courtesy of:

Tippets-Abbott-McCarthy-Stratton

Policy Committee Meetings

POLICY COMMITTEE MEETINGS.....9:30 am - 12 noon

Municipal Utilities - Pioneer Room, Sheffield House

Moderators:

Joyce Rasler, Member, Legislative Committee

Lee Wareham, Member, Legislative Committee

Resource Personnel:

Ernst Mueller, Commissioner, Department of Environmental Conservation

David Hutchens, Alaska Rural Electric Cooperative

Local Government Powers - Auditorium, Centennial Building

Moderators:

Roberley Potter, 2nd Vice President, Alaska Municipal League

Carol Maser, Member, Legislative Committee

Resource Personnel:

Sue S. Greene, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Administration

Palmer McCarter, Director, Local Government Assistance - CRA

Elections - Rousseau Room, Centennial Building

Moderators:

Dan Keck, Member, Legislative Committee  
Lyman Hoffman, Member, Legislative Committee

Resource Personnel:

Patty Ann Polley, Director of Elections

Transportation, Docks and Ports - Maksoutoff Room, Centennial Building

Moderators:

Harry Aase, Director, Alaska Municipal League  
David Jensen, Member, Legislative Committee

Resource Personnel:

Representative Joyce Munson, Alaska State Legislature  
Bob Ward, Commissioner, DOT/PF

Resources - New Archangel Room, Sheffield House

Moderators:

Ted Lehne, Director, Alaska Municipal League  
Roger Allington, Member, Legislative Committee

Resource Personnel:

Robert LeResche, Commissioner, Department of Natural Resources  
Terry Dale, Division of Energy & Power Development

OPEN LUNCH.....12 noon - 2:00 pm

Visit Exhibits  
Bus tour of Sitka

ALASKA CONFERENCE OF MAYORS LUNCHEON MEETING

Shee Atika Lodge.....12 noon - 2:00 pm

POLICY COMMITTEE MEETINGS.....2:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Taxation and Finance - Pioneer Room, Sheffield House

Moderators:

Dave Walsh, 1st Vice President, Alaska Municipal League  
Mitch Gravo, Member, Legislative Committee  
Lee Sharp, Member, Legislative Committee

Resource Personnel:

Representative Russ Meekins, Alaska State Legislature  
Catherine M. Lloyd, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Health & Social Services

Land Use - New Archangel Room, Sheffield House

Moderators:

Don Cilman, Director, Alaska Municipal League  
James Nordale, Member, Legislative Committee

Resource Personnel:

Fran Ulmer, Director, Division of Policy Development & Planning  
Al Cronk, Lands Manager, Fairbanks North Star Borough

Public Safety - Maksoutoff Room, Centennial Building

Moderators:

Bill Curtis, Member, Legislative Committee

Robert Sundberg, Member, Legislative Committee

Resource Personnel:

Terry Hanson, Law Enforcement Specialist, Criminal Justice Planning Agency

Education - Rousseau Room, Centennial Building

Moderators:

Carroll Fader, Immediate Past President, Alaska Municipal League

Ron Larson, Chairman, Legislative Committee

Resource Personnel:

Ernie Polley, Coordinator, Department of Education

Economic Development - Auditorium, Centennial Building

Moderators:

Phil Younker, President, Alaska Municipal League

Judi Slajer, Member, Legislative Committee

Resource Personnel:

Representative Dick Eliason, Alaska State Legislature

Dave Rose, Executive Director, AIDA & Municipal Bond Bank Authority

Ben Hardison, Fairbanks North Star Borough

In addition to the resource people listed above, Community & Regional Affairs personnel - Patrick Poland, Herv Hensley, Suzanne Perry-Piper, Terry Earley, Steve Van Sant and Dave Griffin will assist AML officials at the policy committee meetings.

RECEPTION

Auditorium, Centennial Building.....5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Hosts:

City and Borough of Sitka

Masters of Ceremonies:

Roberley Potter

Dan Keck

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ALASKA MUNICIPAL MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION BANQUET

Sheffield House.....7:30 pm

MUNICIPAL FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION BANQUET

Shee Atika Lodge.....7:30 pm

Thursday, November 1

REGISTRATION

Centennial Building.....8:30 am - 5:00 pm

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Disco Room, Sheffield House.....9:00 am - 12 noon

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

Shee Atika Lodge.....9:00 am - 12 noon

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE TRAINING PROGRAM

Pioneer Room, Sheffield House.....9:00 am - 12 noon

Conducted By:

Eleanor Rohrbach, CMC, Des Plaines, Illinois

HISTORIC PRESERVATION WORKSHOP

Maksoutoff Room, Centennial Building.....9:00 am - 12 noon

Conducted By:

Bill Hanable, Division of Parks, Department of Natural Resources

DELEGATE LUNCHEON

New Archangel Room, Sheffield House.....12:15 pm - 1:45 pm

Presiding:

Dave Walsh, 1st Vice President, Alaska Municipal League

Speaker:

Geno Baroni, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

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LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING (continued)

Disco Room, Sheffield House.....2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE TRAINING PROGRAM (continued)

Pioneer Room, Sheffield House.....2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

ENERGY WORKSHOP

Maksoutoff Room, Centennial Building.....2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Presiding:

Carroll Fader, Immediate Past President, Alaska Municipal League

Moderator: Clarissa Quinlan, Division of Energy & Power Development

Federal Panelists:

John G. Duffy, Acting Area Manager, Anchorage Office, HUD

Fred Chief, Director, Alaska Field Office, U.S. Department of Energy

State Panelists:

Mark Fryer, Mark Fryer and Associates

Steve Reeves, Division of Lands, Department of Natural Resources

David Rogers, AA, House Resources Committee

Dave Gray, AA, Senate Rural Energy Committee

Municipal Panelists:

Ernie Polley, City and Borough of Juneau

Ben Harding, Fairbanks North Star Borough

RECEPTION

Auditorium, Centennial Building.....7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Hosts:

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BANQUET

Auditorium, Centennial Building.....8:00 pm

Master of Ceremonies:

Jim Johnson, Vice President, Alaska Airlines

Guest of Honor:

Lee McAnerney, Commissioner, Department of Community & Regional Affairs

Entertainment:

New Archangel Dancers

Dinner Music:

Pam Rancy at the organ

Section Meetings

MUNICIPAL FINANCE OFFICERS MEETING

Rousseau Room, Centennial Building.....9:00 am - 5:00 pm

ALASKA ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL CLERKS

Rousseau Room, Centennial Building.....2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

ALASKA ASSOCIATION OF ASSESSING OFFICERS

Auditorium, Centennial Building.....2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

ALASKA COASTAL POLICY COUNCIL MEETING

Shee Atika Lodge.....9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Friday, November 2

REGISTRATION

Lobby, Sheffield House.....8:30 am - 9:30 am

ALASKA COASTAL POLICY COUNCIL MEETING

Shee Atika Lodge.....9:00 am - 5:00 pm

LOCAL GOVERNMENT STUDY

New Archangel Room, Sheffield House.....8:30 am - 9:30 am

Presiding:

Dave Walsh, First Vice President

Speaker:

Senator Arliss Sturgulewski, Alaska State Legislature

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

New Archangel Room, Sheffield House.....9:30 am - 12 noon

Presiding:

Phil Younker, President

DELEGATES CAUCUS LUNCHEON SANDWICH BAR  
 New Archangel Room, Sheffield House.....12 noon - 1:00 pm

BUSINESS MEETING CONTINUED  
 New Archangel Room, Sheffield House.....1:00 pm

PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION  
 New Archangel Room, Sheffield House.....Immediately Following Meeting

Hosts:  
 First Southwest Company

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
 Pioneer Room, Sheffield House.....5:30 pm

BOARD OF DIRECTORS & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE DINNER  
 ALP Hill House.....8:00 pm

Cocktails Courtesy of:  
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Saturday, November 3

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
 Pioneer Room, Sheffield House.....9:00 am

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
 Disco Room, Sheffield House.....9:00 am

FIELD TRIP TO GREEN LAKE HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT.....9:00 am - 11:30 am



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The Alaska Municipal League (AML) is a voluntary, non-profit, nonpartisan organization of over 50 cities, boroughs and unified municipalities in Alaska.

The League's basic operating funds are provided by its members through payment of membership fees on a per-capita basis. It is governed by a board of directors elected from the membership.

As a state municipal league, AML provides a forum through which local officials may assist each other in the solution of municipal problems and may express their common concerns to state and federal officials.

The central purpose of AML is to advance the interests and welfare of the people residing throughout the state. To accomplish this, the League carries on a broad program of research, information, technical assistance and legislative activity to improve the capability of local governments to meet increasingly complex civic problems. This program is implemented through a variety of activities, including an annual conference, newsletters, workshops and legislative analysis.

Each year at the annual conference, delegates from the League's membership adopt a statement of policy and specific legislative goals which provide direction for the service and legislative programs of AML.

Also during the annual business meeting, delegates elect officers and a board of directors from among the member representatives throughout the state. The Board of Directors provides continuing policy guidance for the League throughout the year.

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*Coel Ginny*

September 25, 1979

The Honorable Arliss Sturgulewski  
Alaska State Senate  
2957 Sheldon Jackson Street  
Anchorage, Alaska 99504

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11/1

Dear Senator <sup>*Arliss*</sup> Sturgulewski:

The Alaska Municipal League is holding its 29th Annual Local Government Conference in Sitka, October 30 through November 2, 1979.

The officers and staff of the League cordially invite you to attend this important conference and meet with the municipal officials who will be in attendance from throughout Alaska.

We sincerely hope you will be able to accept our invitation and look forward to seeing you in Sitka.

Sincerely,

*Ginny*

Ginny Chitwood  
Executive Director

*Looking forward to  
your presentation  
Friday in Sitka!*  
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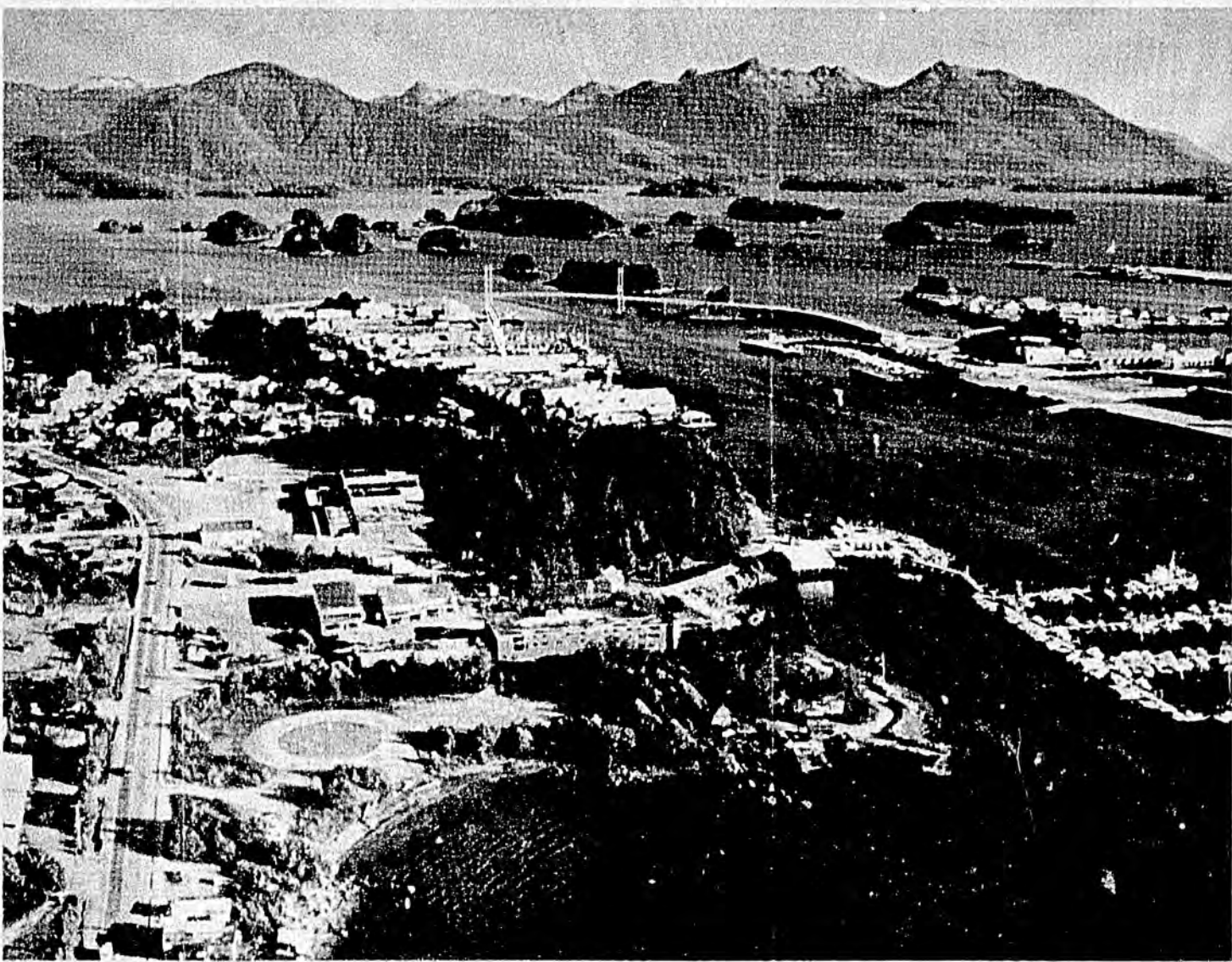
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## See You in Sitka



Alaska Municipal League 29th Annual Local Government Conference

**"NEW DIRECTIONS FOR A NEW DECADE"**

October 30 through November 2, 1979

# 29th Annual Local Government Conference Program

## 29TH ANNUAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONFERENCE PROGRAM

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 29

Planning Association Meeting  
Sheffield House.....Afternoon & Evening

AML Conference Registration  
Sheffield House.....4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Board of Directors Meeting  
Shee Atika Lodge.....8:00 pm

Special Hearing on Election Reform  
Sheffield House.....8:00 pm

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30

Registration  
Centennial Building.....7:30 am - 7:00 pm

Opening Session  
Centennial Building.....8:00 am - 9:00 am

Municipal Finance Officers Meeting  
Centennial Building.....9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Financial Management Training Program  
Sheffield House.....9:00 am - 6:00 pm

Panel Discussion on State & Federal Lands  
Centennial Building.....9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Luncheon  
Sheffield House.....12:15 pm - 1:45 pm

Citizen Participation Workshop  
Centennial Building.....2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Economic Development Workshop  
Centennial Building.....2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Census Workshop  
Centennial Building.....4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Municipal Attorneys Association Meeting  
Centennial Building.....2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Board of Directors Meeting  
Sheffield House.....4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Beer and Pizza Party - Featuring the Baranof Blue Grass Band  
Centennial Building.....7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31

Registration  
Centennial Building.....9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Breakfast  
Sheffield House.....7:30 am - 9:30 am

Policy Committee Meetings.....9:30 am - 12:00 pm  
Municipal Utilities - Sheffield House  
Local Government Powers - Centennial Building  
Education - Centennial Building  
Transportation, Docks and Ports - Centennial Building  
Resources - Sheffield House

Lunch-Open: Visit Exhibits, Take a Bus Tour of Sitka....12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Policy Committee Meetings.....2:00 pm - 4:30 pm  
Taxation and Finance - Sheffield House  
Land Use - Sheffield House  
Public Safety - Centennial Building  
Municipal Elections - Centennial Building  
Economic Development - Centennial Building

Reception  
Centennial Building.....5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Alaska Municipal Management Association Banquet.....7:00 pm

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1

Registration  
Centennial Building.....8:30 am - 5:00 pm

Municipal Finance Officers Meeting  
Centennial Building.....9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Alaska Coastal Policy Council Meeting  
Shee Atika Lodge.....9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Legislative Committee Meeting  
Centennial Building.....9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Nominations and Elections Committee Meeting  
Shee Atika Lodge.....9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Parliamentary Procedure Training Program  
Sheffield House.....9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Historic Preservation Workshop  
Centennial Building.....9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Luncheon  
Sheffield House.....12:15 pm - 1:45 pm

Parliamentary Procedure Training Program  
Sheffield House.....2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Energy Workshop  
Centennial Building.....2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Alaska Association of Assessing Officers Meeting  
Sheffield House.....2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Alaska Association of Municipal Clerks Meeting  
Sheffield House.....2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Reception  
Centennial Building.....7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Banquet  
Centennial Building.....8:00 pm

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Registration  
Sheffield House.....8:30 am - 9:30 am

Local Government Study  
Sheffield House.....8:30 am - 9:30 am

Annual Business Meeting  
Sheffield House.....9:30 am - 12:00 pm

Alaska Coastal Policy Council Meeting  
Shee Atika Lodge.....9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Delegates Caucus Luncheon  
Sheffield House.....12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Business Meeting (cont)  
Sheffield House.....1:00 pm

President's Reception  
Sheffield House.....Following Business Meeting

Board of Directors' Meeting  
ALP Hill House.....5:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Board of Directors & Legislative Committee Dinner  
ALP Hill House.....8:00 pm

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Board of Directors' Meeting  
Sheffield House.....9:00 am

Legislative Committee Meeting  
Sheffield House.....9:00



### From Ginny's Chair

by Ginny Chitwood  
Executive Director

### Continuing Dynamics of Developing Legislative Policy

One of the most important purposes of the Alaska Municipal League is to serve as a vehicle through which local government officials from all over the state can define their mutual problems and develop positive proposals for their solutions.

To accomplish this purpose, a three step process has been established: (1) after studying the issues, the legislative committee prepares a draft policy statement for the upcoming year, (2) conference delegates review it in depth and redraft it at policy committee meetings, and then (3) member municipalities vote on proposed resolutions and the final adoption of the policy statement at the annual business meeting on the last day of the conference.

The policy statement and resolutions, when adopted, will provide the League Board and staff with a clear set of guidelines when testifying before legislative committees or taking other actions which have legislative or policy implications. The statements of policy present, in broad terms, the municipal policy which will guide the actions of the organization during the coming year. Resolutions are developed on subjects which are of current interest but of a less permanent nature.

In the fast-paced legislative session, we need guidelines because there is simply not enough time to consult with the League's members when each and every question arises. With a policy like this, we need only to determine if a given bill falls into the guidelines established by the AML membership. The other

side of the coin is this policy gives the full membership assurance that the staff and leadership have clear objectives to follow in conducting business during the year.

At the 1979 annual conference, policy committee meetings are scheduled for Wednesday, October 31. Municipal Utilities, Local Government Powers, Education, Resources, and Transportation/ Docks/Ports will be held in the morning; Taxation/Finance, Land Use, Public Safety, Municipal Elections, and Economic Development in the afternoon. Members of the AML Board and Legislative Committee will co-chair these meetings, and officials knowledgeable in the various subjects will serve as resource personnel.

On Thursday the policy committee recommendations and proposed resolutions will be typed and duplicated for distribution at Friday's business meeting. At this time each committee will report its findings to the rest of the delegates and final debate and voting will take place.

It is vitally important that every municipality be represented, that everyone be heard, and that healthy debate take place. It is also important that the final product represent our best effort, a culmination of the many hours spent weighing the pros and cons of the various alternatives.

In order to achieve this goal, we need your input. Do not rely on someone else to represent your views or speak your mind. The quality of the policy statement depends on your participation. SEE YOU IN SITKA!



## ELECTION OF AML OFFICERS

At the business meeting of the AML conference in Sitka, delegates will elect a president, first vice president, second vice president, and 4 directors.

The term of office of the president and vice president is one year; directors two years. The AML Constitution precludes the president from succeeding himself, but does not limit any other position.

Names and biographical information of potential candidates should be sent to the League office prior to the conference or to the nominating committee in Sitka. The committee, chaired by immediate past president Carroll Fader, will meet Thursday, November 1, and will present its slate for consideration at the Friday business meeting. Nominations may also be made from the conference floor.

Directors whose terms expire this year are Raymond Hugli, Seward; John Nash, Matanuska-Susitna Borough, L.F. MacDonald, Valdez; and Harry Aase, Juneau. See page 5 for complete list of AML officers and directors.

## MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS

The Planning Association, the Municipal Finance Officers Association, the Municipal Attorneys Association, the Alaska Association of Assessing Officers, and the Alaska Association of Municipal Clerks will be meeting in conjunction with the AML conference. The times and places are listed in the schedule on page 2. Be sure and attend these important meetings.

## Municipal Tort Liability

Recent judicial and legislative developments have radically affected the potential tort liability of municipalities, their officers and employees.

Richard W. Garnett, experienced municipal attorney, will review U.S. Supreme Court decisions on the status of municipalities under the civil rights and antitrust laws, and Alaska decisions on general standards of municipal tort liability. Special attention will focus on judicial response to the limited tort immunity statute passed by the legislature in 1977 (AS 09.65.070). Discussion will follow concerning steps municipalities may take to minimize risks in this area.

## The Eighties Begin This Year.



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# New Directions for a New Decade

"New Directions for a New Decade" is the theme for the AML 29th Annual Local Government Conference scheduled for October 30 through November 2, 1979 in Sitka, Alaska.

Alaska municipal officials face a new decade which will produce new problems and challenges, refinements of old and existing frustrations, and new demands for innovative leadership. This year's conference will address these issues which confront Alaska's cities, boroughs, and unified municipalities.

Workshops, training programs, panel discussions, speeches by state and national leaders, and policy committee deliberations will be featured at the four day conference. In addition, there will be numerous social activities to allow for the unstructured idea exchanges that are so important to keeping up with the latest happenings in local governments.

The Special Election Reform Committee has scheduled a hearing on its proposed package of bills for Monday, October 29. Also meeting that day will be the Planning Association of Alaska and the AML Board of Directors.

Tuesday morning, AML President Phil Younker will preside at the opening session, the official start of the conference. Scheduled for the rest of the day are training programs, workshops, panel discussions, a luncheon and a get acquainted beer and pizza party.

Wednesday will start with a breakfast talk by Don Jones on "Reenactment of General Revenue Sharing and Other National League of Cities Priorities". Jones is a top official with NLC, working in Washington, DC.

The rest of the morning and all afternoon will be devoted to the important work of final drafting of the 1980 policy statement. A series of concurrent policy committee meetings are scheduled to discuss and debate the various subjects included in the proposed statement.

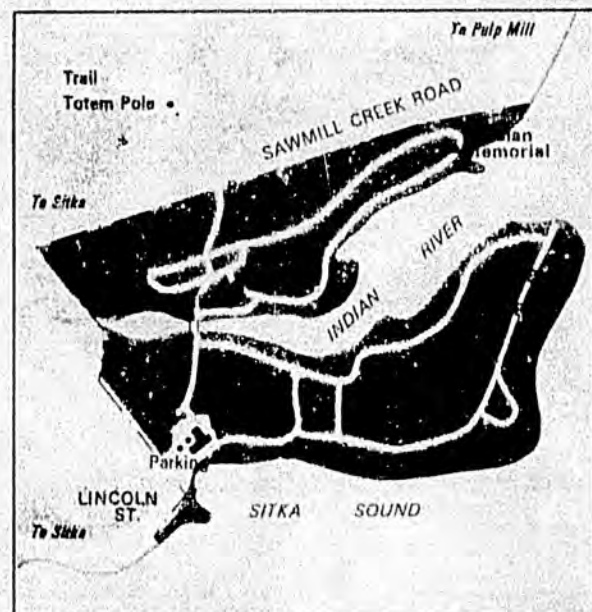
Lunch time is open, with time to sample the varied restaurants in Sitka, visit the exhibit area in the Centennial Building, or take a bus tour of Sitka. The City and Borough of Sitka is sponsoring a reception that evening.

Slated for Thursday are more workshops, training programs, panel discussions and a Legislative Committee meeting. That evening is a reception and banquet, with entertainment provided by "The New Archangel Russian Dancers".

Prior to Friday's business meeting, Senator Sturgulewski will report on the activities of the Joint Senate and House Community and Regional Affairs Committee Local Government Study. Adoption of the 1980 policy statement and resolutions, consideration of Constitution and By-Laws changes, and election of the Board of Directors for the upcoming year are on the agenda for the business meeting.

Immediately following the business meeting, is the President's reception, honoring the new AML President and other officers and members of the Board of Directors.

Post conference activities include meetings of the AML Legislative Committee and the Board of Directors.



Sitka National Historic Park

# TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR '79

The annual conference will feature two training programs for elected officials. We hope you will take advantage of these valuable programs.

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- \* Undertake your expected role in monitoring and controlling financial resources;

- \* Understand your auditor's role and utilize his/her services;

- \* Become familiar with the more important financial warning indicators that could suggest existing or developing problems.

**PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE: A TOOL OR A WEAPON?** While not every council and assembly member will be likely to know all the rules in "Robert's Rules of Order" by heart, a person will be most effective if he/she becomes familiar with as many of them as he/she can. Eleanor Rohrbach will conduct this day-long session. She comes highly recommended by our own municipal clerks who valued her presentation during their spring meeting. As part of the program, participants will act out mock meetings, and will receive a paper-back copy of "Robert's Rules of Order Revised".

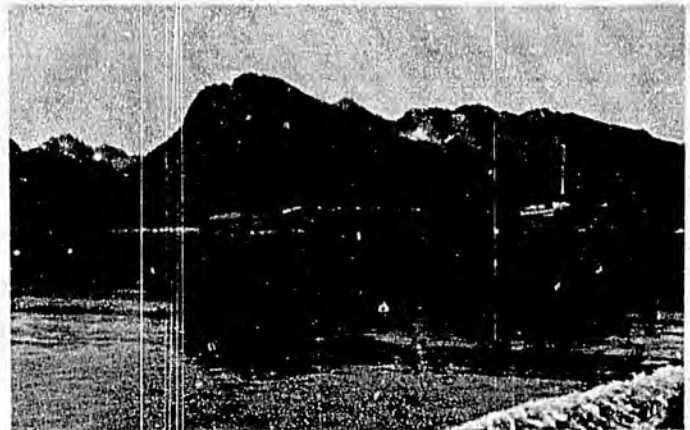
## SUMMER BOARD & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD IN VALDEZ



Left to right - Chairman Ron Larson, Bill Curtis, Joyce Rasler, Judi Slajer and Dan Keck



Front row, left to right - Harry Aase, Roberley Potter, "Mac" MacDonald and Representative Margaret Branson. Back row - Phil Younker, Ted Lehne, Carroll Fader, Dave Walsh, Don Gilman and Senator Arliss Sturgulewski.



Leaving Valdez via the "Glacier Queen"

# Newsletter

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### DUES SCHEDULE

Adopted by the Board of Directors  
December 13, 1970

POPULATION	BASE RATE	PER CAPITA
Under 200	\$ 100.00	
201-500	300.00	
501-5000	400.00	.70 over 500
5001-15000	3600.00	.60 over 5000
15001-25000	8600.00	.50 over 15000
Over 25000	15000.00	34. over 25000

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Population	Charge
Under 500	\$ 50.00
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2001-5000	200.00
Over 5000	300.00

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	Advance Registration	On-Site Registration
MEMBER REGISTRATION FEE	\$ 85.00	\$ 100.00
NON-MEMBER REGISTRATION	100.00	125.00
SPOUSE	50.00	55.00

**ALASKA MUNICIPAL LEAGUE**  
October 31, November 1, 2, 1979



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## 29TH ANNUAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONFERENCE AGENDA

### Monday, October 29

Planning Association Meeting	Afternoon & Evening
Special Hearing - Election Reform	3:00 pm
Board of Directors Meeting	8:00 pm

### Tuesday, October 30

Opening Session	8:00 am - 9:00 am
Financial Management Training Program	9:00 am - 6:00 pm
Panel Discussion - State & Federal Lands	9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Municipal Finance Officers Association	9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Luncheon	12:15 pm - 1:45 pm
Citizen Participation Workshop	2:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Economic Development Workshop	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Census Workshop	4:30 pm - 6:00 pm
Municipal Attorneys Association	2:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Board of Directors Meeting	4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

### Wednesday, October 31

Breakfast	7:30 am - 9:30 am
Policy Committee Meetings	9:30 am - 12:00 pm
Municipal Utilities; Local Government Powers; Resources;	
Elections; Transportation, Docks and Ports	
Lunch - Open; Bus Tour of Sitka - Exhibits	12:00 pm - 2:00 pm
Policy Committee Meetings	2:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Taxation & Finance; Land Use; Public Safety;	
Municipal Elections; Economic Development	
City and Borough of Sitka Reception	5:30 pm - 7:00 pm
Alaska Municipal Management Association	7:00 pm

### Thursday, November 1

Parliamentary Procedure Training Program	9:00 am - 6:00 pm
Historic Preservation Workshop	9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Alaska Coastal Policy Council Meeting	9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Municipal Finance Officers Association	9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Legislative Committee Meeting	9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Luncheon	12:15 pm - 1:45 pm
Energy Workshop	2:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Alaska Association of Assessing Officers	2:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Alaska Association of Municipal Clerks	2:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Reception & Banquet	7:00 pm

### Friday, November 2

Local Government Study	8:30 am - 9:30 am
Annual Business Meeting	9:30 am - 12:00 pm
Delegates Caucus Luncheon	12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
Business Meeting (cont)	1:00 pm
President's Reception - Immediately Following Business Meeting	
Board of Directors Meeting	5:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Board of Directors/Legislative Committee Dinner	8:00 pm

### Saturday, November 3

Board of Directors Meeting	9:00 am
Legislative Committee Meeting	9:00 am

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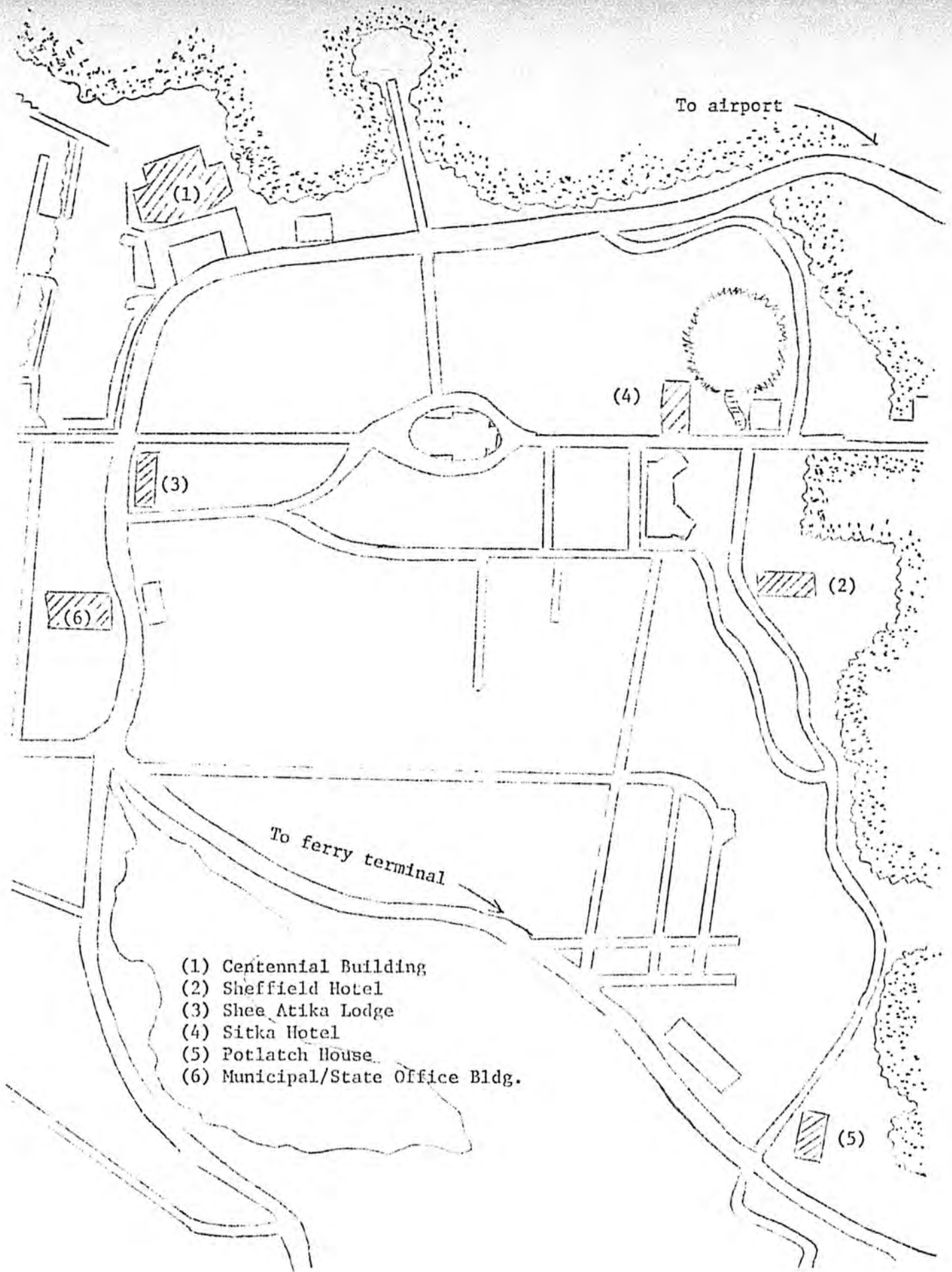
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	Advance Registration (before Oct. 16)	On-Site Registration (after Oct. 16)
MEMBER REGISTRATION FEE	\$ 85.00	\$ 100.00
NON-MEMBER REGISTRATION FEE	100.00	125.00
SPOUSE	50.00	55.00

*If you pre-register, your badges, tickets, and programs will be prepared in advance and can be picked up with a minimum of delay at the registration desk in Sitka. The fee includes, in addition to basic registration, one breakfast, two luncheons, one "sandwich board", three receptions, one beer and pizza party, one banquet, and all other conference activities. Tickets for individual conference activities will be available at slightly higher prices at the registration desk in Sitka.*

HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS: The Sheffield House has been designated the headquarters hotel for the conference. Enclosed are reservation cards that should be filled out and mailed DIRECTLY TO THE HOTEL. You will be placed in the Sheffield House on a first come, first served, space available basis, and then at the Snee Atika Lodge. If you have different 1st and 2nd choices, please so indicate on the hotel reservation card.



To airport

To ferry terminal

- (1) Centennial Building
- (2) Sheffield Hotel
- (3) Shee Atika Lodge
- (4) Sitka Hotel
- (5) Potlatch House
- (6) Municipal/State Office Bldg.

ALASKA MUNICIPAL LEAGUE  
29TH ANNUAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONFERENCE  
October 30 - November 2, 1979  
Sitka, Alaska

HOW TO GET THERE: *Listed below are the Alaska Airlines flights between Sitka and Anchorage, Juneau, and Ketchikan. Check with your travel agent or the airlines for connections to those points. Wien flies into Juneau, but not Sitka. There are also several aircraft charter companies operating in Southeast Alaska.*

ANC/JNU/SIT: AS #62 8:10 am - 12:20 pm - 12:50 pm, daily  
AS #66 11:55 am - 5:30 pm - 6:00 pm, MWF

KTN/SIT: AS #65 9:35 am - 11:50 am, daily  
AS #67 3:45 pm - 4:25 pm, daily

SIT/JNU/ANC: AS #67 5:10 pm - 5:40 pm - 5:40 pm, daily

SIT/JNU AS #65 12:25 pm - 12:55 pm, daily

SIT/KTN: AS #62 1:25 pm - 2:05 pm, daily

ALASKA MARINE HIGHWAY SYSTEM

KTN 10/26, 3:30 pm; WRG 10/26, 10:30 pm; PSG 10/27, 2:15 am; SIT 10/27, 11:15 am  
SGY 10/29, 8:30 am; HNS 10/29, 1:00 pm; JNU (AB) 10/29, 6:00 pm; SIT 10/30, 2:45 am  
SIT 11/3, 12:30 pm; JNU (AB) 11/4, 1:45 am; HNS 11/4, 7:15 am; SGY 11/4, 8:15 am  
SIT 11/6, 8:45 am; PSG 11/6, 11:45 pm; WRG 11/7, 3:15 am; KTN 11/7, 9:15 am

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WHERE TO STAY: *The Sheffield House has been designated the headquarters hotel for the conference. Most of the meetings will be held there or in the Centennial Building, with some of them in the Shee Atika Lodge, (See map on reverse side for locations). Because hotel rooms are limited, we urge you to make your reservations as soon as possible. The Sheffield House will place delegates in their hotel on a first come, first served, space available basis, and next in the Shee Atika Lodge. If you have different 1st and 2nd choices, please so indicate. The Sheffield House, Sitka Hotel, Shee Atika Lodge and Centennial Building are all within walking distance of each other. The Potlatch House has a courtesy car operated on a "time available" basis by the desk clerk. Hertz and Avis rental cars are available.*

SHEFFIELD HOUSE (60) rooms - starting at \$37; SHEE ATIKA LODGE (107) rooms starting at \$40; POTLATCH HOUSE (31) rooms - starting at \$27; and the SITKA HOTEL (65) rooms - starting at \$25 with bath, \$18 without.



Official Business

# Alaska State Legislature

JOINT SENATE AND HOUSE  
COMMUNITY AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT STUDY

Co-Chairmen  
Senator Arliss Sturgulewski  
Representative Bill Parker

*A*  
*Your Copy*  
Address all  
correspondence to:

LOCAL GOVERNMENT STUDY

Pouch V  
State Capitol  
Juneau, Alaska 99811

August 10, 1979

TO: Representative Bill Parker  
Co-Chairman

FROM: Senator Arliss Sturgulewski  
Co-Chairman

SUBJECT: Alaska Municipal League

Bill, I am sending you information regarding the Alaska Municipal League meeting to be held in Valdez later on this month. I think it is important that we are represented to bring the Municipal League Legislative Committee up-to-date on exactly what we are doing with the Local Government Study. We are meeting quite a few of the League concerns in the approach that we are utilizing, but they may well have other areas of interest as far as particular problems in the organized municipalities. I know that Representative Margaret Branson plans on attending this meeting and I am going. I will be talking to Mrs. Ginny Chitwood to get further details on when an appropriate time might be to appear both before the Legislative Committee and the Municipal League Board.

I am sending along this advance word in case you would also like to attend all or part of that session. I will see that Marge will get additional information to you as soon as it is available.

Attachment

cc: Mrs. M. Gorsuch  
Mr. G. Walsh

*Genny*

*A.M.L.*  
*586-1325*  
*586-6526*

V. aldy - Talk to Ginny C.

① Contact Ginny re appropriate  
dates/times

② Discuss w/ Ginny  
content of presentation

a. "approach as result  
symposium"

b. Role A.M.L. -- other items

c. result questionnaire

c. AB-37 needed revisions

# Alaska MUNICIPAL League

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August 7, 1979

Senator Arliss Sturgulewski  
Chairman  
Community and Regional Affairs Committee

Dear Senator Sturgulewski:

The Alaska Municipal League has scheduled the meeting of the Board of Directors and the Legislative Committee for Valdez beginning at 1:30 p.m. on August 22 in the Valdez Council Chambers.

They will be considering additions, deletions and changes to the League's policy statement along with other League business.

I would like to take this opportunity to invite you and/or members of your staff to participate in these meetings.

Please advise the League office if you and your staff will be able to attend.

Sincerely,

*Ginny Chitwood* (mm)  
Ginny Chitwood  
Executive Director

*Mark Lewer, Mgr, Valdez*  
835-4313

ALASKA MUNICIPAL LEAGUE  
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING - 1979  
VALDEZ, ALASKA

T E N T A T I V E   A G E N D A

August 22                    Convene - Valdez Council Chambers                    1:30 p.m.

- I. Municipal Lands Selection
- II. Legislative Report by staff
  - A. Special Session
  - B. Status of League bills
- III. Policy Statement - Deletions, additions or changes
- IV. Items for consideration
  - A. Instant Unification
  - B. Reapportionment
  - C. Funding for Community Councils
  - D. In-state use of natural resources vs. sale
  - E. Initiative to eliminate state income tax
  - F. Form for bill analysis
  - G. CRA guideline for the administration of senior citizen exemptions

August 23                    Convene - Valdez Council Chambers                    9:00 a.m.

Continue Agenda.

August 24                    AML Board convenes at 9:00 a.m.  
Legislative Committee chairman's report scheduled  
for afternoon. Interested members invited to  
participate.

Members please note:

If you have additional items for the agenda, notify the  
League office immediately.

If you have not done so already, contact Mark Lewis, City  
Manager, Valdez, at 835-4313, for hotel reservations.

ALASKA MUNICIPAL LEAGUE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING - 1979  
VALDEZ, ALASKA

T E N T A T I V E   A G E N D A

August 24

Convene - Valdez Council Chambers

9:00 a.m.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Minutes of previous meeting
  - A. Ratification of minutes dated January 19
  - B. Approval of minutes dated February 3
  - C. Ratification of conference call and executive committee action in hiring executive director on February 14 and February 24.
- IV. Staff Reports
  - A. Activities
    1. Executive Director
      - a. Federal/State Land Use Planning Meeting
      - b. NACo meeting
      - c. DEC contract
    2. Director, Program Services
      - a. IPA - 1979, Spring
      - b. IPA - 1979, Conference
      - c. Special Session
      - d. Salary survey
      - e. State Aid Catalog revision
    3. Administrative Assistant
      - a. Newsletter
  - B. Financial
    1. Monthly Operating Statement
    2. Murray, Bradley and Rockey bill
    3. 1980 Preliminary budget
    4. Membership - status of those members in arrears
    5. 1978-79 Audit
- V. Old Business
  - A. DOT Contract
  - B. NLC
    1. Steering Committee appointments
    2. Small Cities' Advisory Council Appointments

VI. New Business

- A. Tentative Conference Schedule
- B. AML Reorganization
  - 1. Election of directors
  - 2. Past presidents as voting board members
  - 3. Legislative committee appointments
- ✓ C. Interim Committee on Local Government Study
- D. Natural Resources
  - 1. Governor's Points on (d)2
  - 2. In-state use of natural resources vs. sale

VII. Legislative Committee Report

- A. Recommended changes to policy statement
- B. Municipal Land Selection and State Land Disposal update
- C. Form for bill analysis
- D. Initiative to eliminate state income tax

VIII. Meeting announcements

- A. Public Lands
- B. NLC Congress of Cities
- C. NLC and NACo Legislative meetings in Washington, D. C.
- D. WIR
- E. NACo annual conference

August 25           Continue if necessary  
                      (A boat and fishing trip is planned courtesy City of Valdez)

Members please note:

If you have additional items for the agenda, notify the League office immediately.

Please bring the 3-ring notebook the staff prepared for you last spring which contains minutes of past meetings, etc.

If you have not done so already, contact Mark Lewis, City Manager, at 835-4313 for hotel reservations.

ALASKA MUNICIPAL LEAGUE  
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Tentative Agenda  
~~10:00 AM~~, Juneau  
9:30

~~November 22~~, 1979  
Municipal Offices

STAFF TO PROVIDE:

1. Status of League sponsored Bills pending
2. List of League membership by municipality
3. List of the complete Legislative Committee - Board of Directors, Officers and Staff.

ACTION LIST: (From Policy Statement for November 30, 1979)

1. Page 3, G(2) Public Employee Retirement.
  - A. ACTION NEEDED: Draft and get legislation pre-filed (by Ron Larson, Chairman).
2. Bill to "split-out hospital funding from Revenue-Sharing" (to Health & Social Services)
  - A. ACTION NEEDED: Draft and get legislation pre-filed (by Legislative Committee)
  - B. PHILOSOPHY: AML supports hospital funding, but not under Revenue-Sharing (retain present funding of Revenue-Sharing in Revenue-Sharing)
3. Page 4, M(4) Senior Citizens.
  - A. ACTION NEEDED: Draft bills:
    - (1) to exempt entire parcel;
    - (2) to exempt "reasonable" amount with a lien.(by Lee Sharp)
4. House Bill 66 Corrections. Lee Sharp will draft and circulate to municipal attorneys.
  - A. Will be presented to Legislative Committee at it's November 30, 1979 meeting.
5. Grazing. Jim Nordale will have appropriate legislation for Committee consideration during November 30, 1979 meeting.
6. Land Disposal. Page 7, B(2) Mental Health Lands. Legislation will be drafted by Mike Mikell and Allen Cronk for the November 30, 1979 meeting.
7. Page 8, E(2): Judi Slajer will try and have something for the November 30, 1979 meeting
8. Page 11, A Majority Elections. There is a Bill drafted, and we need to determine status for November 30, 1979 meeting

9. Page 11, D Solid Waste. Perry Lovett will have draft for November 30, 1979 meeting.
10. Page 14, F(2) Social Security Participation. Jim Nordale will draft legislation on this for the November 30, 1979 meeting (local option).
11. Page 15, A(5) - (PART IX). Jim Nordale and Allan Tesche will draft legislation for the November 30, 1979 meeting.
12. Long Range Low Interest Loans for Water & Sewer Projects.
13. Title 29 Revision. Jim Nordale will give report at November 30, 1979 meeting.

OTHER:

1. Boat Tax (Committee)
  - A. ACTION NEEDED: To find out committee status and make up.
  - B. League should have volunteers to serve on this committee.
    - (1) League in-put should be completed before the committee on "Boat Tax" meets next summer.
    - (2) Help can be obtained from DOT, Division of Harbors, Wharves, etc.
    - (3) Legal aid can be obtained through the AML Legislation Committee
2. Reapportionment Bill (Sponsored by Branson)
  - A. Objective to be a "Title 29 clean-up" bill.
  - B. Need to circulate to all municipalities for comments and in-put.
    - (1) Purpose: Workable Bill - League drafted if necessary.
    - (a) Sub-committee: Borough Attorneys from:
      - Matanuska-Susitna Borough
      - Kenai Peninsula Borough
      - Ketchikan Gateway Borough
    - (b) Need to get direction from President Walsh on committee and its direction
    - (c) Marilyn Dimmick, Kenai Peninsula Borough, will assist.

ALASKA MUNICIPAL LEAGUE

POLICY STATEMENT

1980

Adopted at the Business Meeting  
of The Twenty-Ninth Annual Conference of the

ALASKA MUNICIPAL LEAGUE

Sitka, Alaska - November 2, 1979

PART I  
TAXATION AND FINANCE

A. State Collected, Locally Shared Taxes

1. Municipalities in Alaska presently derive significant revenues from state-collected, locally-shared taxes to help meet their basic operating expenses. Any curtailment of such revenues would have a serious adverse effect upon the operation of municipal governments, resulting in either a marked increase of local property taxes or a reduction in the level of services offered to the public. The League, therefore, opposes reduction of such revenues through elimination of such taxes unless other equal sources of revenue are made available to local government, or appropriations to compensate for lost revenues are made by the state.

2. The League continues to urge adequate funding of the Abandoned Motor Vehicle Fund with special emphasis paid to the cost incurred in handling abandoned vehicles which have no value.

3. The League supports legislation which would enable municipalities to levy, by local option, a tax on the same tax sources as are authorized for levy under the Alaska Income Tax Act, without restricting municipalities' rights to levy taxes on other sources. The League further recommends that the municipal income tax be collected and administered by the state and refunded to the jurisdiction levying the tax.

4. The League urges the Legislature to fund the local government share of the Corporate Income Tax at no less than the minimum authorized by law.

B. Locally Collected Taxes

1. Sources of local revenue for municipalities in Alaska are limited to a very extensive degree, to the income derived from local property and sales taxes. Therefore, the League opposes the imposition of state-mandated exemptions of certain classes of property, individuals, organizations or commodities from the applications of such taxes unless adequate compensation is made by the state to reimburse local government for revenues lost due to these exemptions.

2. Several laws have been enacted in the past few years which have mandated exemptions, partial exemptions and deferrals from local property taxes or assessments. In most cases provisions have been included which cause the state to reimburse municipalities for lost revenue. The League urges the Legislature to include in all such reimbursement legislation the provision that this reimbursement is a lien in favor of the State against the property exempted, except that this lien provision will not apply to exemptions granted under AS 29.53.020(e).

3. The State of Alaska is increasingly acquiring property within the various municipalities and as such demands the local governmental services for such property to include fire, police and other amenities from the human resource standpoint. The League, therefore, endorses the position whereby the state would pay to the local governments a payment in lieu of ad valorem taxes for the state owned property, as well as payments for its share of the cost of improvements which benefit such property.

#### C. Local Taxing Powers

1. The League opposes any further effort on the part of the State to levy a property tax which would infringe upon the rights of local governments to levy the same rate of tax as levied on other property within the taxing jurisdiction.

2. The municipalities in Alaska must assess property at 100% of its fair market value for purposes of taxation. To assure the public of fair and equitable treatment to protect the property owner from improper assessing practices, municipalities have established adequate procedures for hearings and appeal. The League, therefore, opposes any attempt to restrict local assessment procedures without a thorough review of the statewide impact those restrictions might have.

3. The League supports efforts by the Department of Community and Regional Affairs and the Alaska Association of Assessing Officers to promote more professional standards among municipal assessors and appraisers through expanded educational programs.

#### D. State Shared Revenues

1. The League strongly supports increased funding of the State Shared Revenue Program to a level at least three times the 1979 funding level, including any new programs to foster economic development, and continues to support the philosophy of HB 192 as introduced in the 1st Session of the 11th Legislature.

2. The League supports legitimate and reasonable changes in the amount of money requested for the municipal services shared revenue program and remains adamant in the belief that each Legislature has the obligation to fund the program 100% annually.

3. State road maintenance of local roads (under the state revenue sharing program) has been set at \$1,500 per mile for a number of years. Over this period of years, the actual cost of road maintenance has increased substantially. The League hereby supports an increase of available state funding for road maintenance to realistically reflect today's cost of road maintenance with this increase funded by an additional legislative appropriation.

#### E. Bonding

1. The League opposes any legislation which would limit the municipal authority to levy taxes for payment of bonded debt.

#### F. Funding the Newly Organized Municipalities

1. The League requests the enactment of legislation to provide adequate block grants to assist in the formation of new municipalities.

#### G. Public Employee Retirement

1. The League urges that legislation which increases benefits under the Public Employees Retirement System provide that the increased cost shall be borne by contributions from the employees. The League urges the Legislature to recognize the effect on participating municipal employers if any amendments are made to PERS.

2. The League supports legislation that would allow locally elected officials, including those who are active members in the Alaska State Teachers Retirement System, and former elected officials to participate in the Public Employees Retirement System.

#### H. Cultural, Civic and Convention Centers and Museums

1. While legislation has been enacted into law to enable the state to assist local communities in the construction, maintenance and operation of cultural, civic, convention and community recreation centers, only minimal funding has been available for this purpose. The League, therefore, urges the Legislature to authorize the issuance of bonds for this or any similar legislation in an amount sufficient to meet the construction requirements in Alaska communities.

2. The League urges the Legislature to provide state assistance for the acquisition, construction, maintenance and operation of museums by Alaskan communities in order to preserve and display materials illustrative of the history of the state, the community and its people.

#### I. Local Hospital Use

1. It is the practice of the Public Health Service and other health agencies to transport patients from local communities with modern hospital facilities and professional expertise to regional hospitals for treatment and convalescence. If local community hospitals are to survive and provide the professional services communities require, these cases should remain in the local hospitals. The League, therefore, urges the state and federal agencies responsible for health care to utilize the local health facilities and to transport patients to regional centers only when the necessary services are not available.

2. The League supports legislation that would retain full funding of the State Shared Revenue Program but would remove "aid to hospital construction" funding from the state shared revenue program. The League strongly supports increased state funding of hospital construction and operating costs but feels that this should be funded outside the State Revenue Sharing Program and within the Department of Health and Social Services.

#### J. Role of the Permanent Fund

1. The League supports legislation which would mandate the investment of a percentage of the permanent fund into the development of energy resources and potable water supplies.
2. The League, which recognizes that the concept of the permanent fund is to take revenues from a non-renewable resource and turn these revenues into a renewable resource, urges the Legislature to increase the percentage of income going into the fund to help guarantee the economic stability of the state.

#### K. Anti-Cyclical Policy

1. The Alaska Municipal League requests the executive and legislative branches of state government to develop a clear anti-cyclical policy to provide as much as possible for the scheduling of state capital projects projected for municipalities during periods of lower economic activity in the municipality and to direct other state activities with consideration of municipalities whose economies are depressed from normal levels.

#### L. Tax Credit

1. The League strongly supports the development and implementation of a tax credit program which would allow state income tax payers to use as a tax credit on their state income tax return that portion of Alaska local taxes they pay for local school support.
2. The League supports efforts to amend current legislative programs authorizing state funded property tax exemptions limited to certain classes of Alaskan citizens (i.e. senior citizens, farmers, etc.) to provide a broader, more comprehensive property tax relief program available to all citizens of Alaska.
3. The League supports tax credit programs being installed to reduce the net income tax paid by Alaskan residents and property owners through the existing state income tax system.
4. The League supports legislation that will clarify the determination of the amount which is exempt under the senior citizens property tax exemptions.

#### M. Loans for Hydroelectric Projects

1. The League supports uninterrupted continuance of loan funds from the state for feasible hydroelectric projects within the state and further supports that long term, low interest loans for these projects be funded from non-renewable resource revenues such as those presently being generated by oil and gas receipts.

PART II  
EDUCATION

A. School Support

1. The Constitution of Alaska is very specific in its requirement that education is the responsibility of the state. Therefore, the League urges the Legislature to fund annually 100% of the costs of Public School Foundation Program, special education, student transportation (including kindergarten, hazardous bus routes and inclement weather), and community schools. Appropriations for these programs must reflect annually the increased costs incurred by school districts and full funding should not be used as a catalyst for the state to infringe upon the rights of local people to administer local schools.
2. The League further encourages the Legislature to continue to support school capital projects at 80% construction level or higher (as defined by the rules and regulations established by the Department of Education) and calls upon the Legislature and the Governor to fund this amount annually. The League strongly supports legislation that will provide for a supplemental appropriation to fully fund the 1979 fiscal year school capital project fund at the legislated 80% level. The League also supports legislation under which the state will provide the 80% funding for all approved school capital projects to the local district at the time of approval.
3. The League recommends that the state Legislature fund fully all special programs required by Public Law.
4. The League recommends that the state reduce and simplify the paper work requirement for local school districts receiving state and federal funds.
5. The League recommends that the state Legislature adopt legislation to endorse and fund education programs in the area of alcohol and drug abuse with staff training, such programs being optional by each school district.
6. The League urges the Governor and the Legislature to act as soon as possible on establishing the amount of the public school foundation support (basic educational unit) for the 1980-81 school year.
7. The League strongly recommends that the State Legislature review and reevaluate the rural high school construction program. The League further urges that any additional funding must come from a state bond issue rather than a direct appropriation.

B. Assembly/Council-School Board Relationships

1. The League supports legislation to clarify assembly/council-school board relationships and opposes legislation which would diminish assembly/council authority in education matters.

### C. Public Communications

1. The League encourages state and federal governments to seek immediate and expeditious activation of satellite communication facilities for education in the State.
2. The Second Session of the Ninth State Legislature implemented initial funding for limited televising of legislative sessions. The League now urges adequate funding of the program to assure that the general public has the greatest access possible, not only to floor sessions, but also to committee hearings.
3. The League supports legislation that would support communities served by television cable systems that are applying for issuance of FCC construction permits for mini TV translators.

### PART III PUBLIC SAFETY

1. The demand for trained competent local police and fire departments is accelerating throughout Alaska. It is urged that the Legislature, at an early date, assure that police, fire and emergency medical personnel training programs throughout the state have adequate facilities and program resources for training of local safety people, and provide financial support to assist the communities who participate.
2. Because the Alaska Police Standards Council has lost all federal support, the League recommends the establishment of state assistance proportional to the cost of on-going assistance to those members of municipal police agencies attending courses in order to meet the requirements of the Alaska Police Standards Act.
3. Recognizing corrections is a state function, the League urges the State of Alaska to fund the construction, if necessary, and the operation of short term detention facilities within local communities.
4. The League supports legislation which would permit municipalities to tax, assess or impose a surcharge on the distribution and/or sale of alcohol within its boundaries.
5. The League supports legislation authorizing municipalities to establish additional standards for the issuance, renewal and transfer by the state of liquor licenses within the jurisdiction of the municipality.
6. The League urges the State of Alaska to establish a comprehensive fire education program, through the State Fire Marshall's office, that will utilize professionally trained public fire educators.
7. The League urges the state to develop policies on those who are arrested on "state charges" in Alaska. When a municipal police officer makes an arrest for a state violation, it should be clarified that the state has the legal and financial responsibility for the alleged violator at the time of his arrest.

8. The League urges the State of Alaska to reform the Alaska Juvenile Justice System so that the peoples' confidence in the rule of the law will be restored and our traditional form of government will continue to provide security for the law abiding citizen.

#### PART IV LAND USE

##### A. Local Options

1. The League feels strongly that laws pertaining to the powers of local planning and zoning must allow for the greatest flexibility at the local level.

##### B. Land Selection

1. The League urges (1) immediate conveyance of Native and State lands presently identified and jointly agreed upon for selection, and (2) the State of Alaska move expeditiously to convey lands to municipalities. (3) The League encourages a cooperative intergovernmental land use planning process that considers municipal, state and federal lands affected by the land selection process.

2. The language of chapter 180 SLA 1978, which was enacted to solve the problems municipalities have faced in acquiring lands within their boundaries for local management appears to contain certain language which prevents the use of "redesignated" mental health lands to calculate the entitlement of "cities" which are not located within a borough. Every effort should be made to correct this interpretation by statutory amendment.

##### C. d(2) Lands in Alaska

1. The League supports land use recommendations which follow the multiple use concepts, and would be based on professionally thorough and unbiased analysis of land use potential and compatibility of uses, giving appropriate weight to economic, social and environmental factors.

2. The League urges that potential hydroelectric projects be eliminated from federal d(2) selections by providing headwater rights, sites for dam sites, corridors for water and electric transmission lines, power houses, associated substations and all attendant facilities. The League further supports the preservation of rights-of-way across all land selection and classification for the purpose of providing for future construction of public accesses of various types.

##### D. Historic Sites

1. In order to help municipalities to retain as much as possible of Alaska's colorful and historic past, the League supports establishment of a state matching grant program and funding for acquisition, maintenance and rehabilitation of monuments and historic sites.

## E. Coastal Management

1. The League supports continued and maximum local control in the development and management of the coastal policies, coastal planning and implementation of coastal policies.
2. The League supports the concept of "extra-territorial" planning by municipalities in the unorganized borough with statutory provisions to permit the Alaska Coastal Policy Council to adopt said "extra-territorial" planning as part of the Alaska Coastal Management Program until such time as a resource district plan is adopted.
3. The League urges the state agencies to abide by a municipality's interpretation of coastal management standards from the time of conceptual approval by the municipality until fiscal approval by the Legislature.

## F. Subdivisions

1. Subdivision of land is a major factor in community development creating patterns which have long lasting effects. Although present legislation clearly recognizes the need for regulation of subdivision, means of enforcement are inadequate. The League supports legislation which would require proof of approval by local authorities prior to the filing of an instrument affecting the boundaries of land and prior to any judicial partition of real property.
2. The League supports legislation which would require legal access to all state land disposals; and that, except for state subdivisions in remote areas or for dispersed entry, local subdivision improvement requirements be honored by the state by either installing such improvements or by acquiescing in the formation of service areas and local improvement districts containing such property and honoring the obligation to pay LID assessments on such property while it is in state ownership.
3. The League supports the concept of an Enterprise Fund as a means for the state to provide required improvements in state land disposals.

## G. State Land Disposal

1. The League supports legislation which mandates land use capability and resource inventory findings for each tract of land included in the disposal bank.

## H. Grazing Districts

1. The League supports legislation which delegates to local governments the establishment of controlled grazing districts within organized municipalities.

## I. Minerals

1. The League supports legislation that the state provide funds for necessary quantitative definition studies and market analysis of minerals other than oil and gas.

PART V  
TRANSPORTATION, DOCKS AND PORTS

A. Surface and Marine Highways

1. With the ongoing development of natural resources in Alaska, the League supports legislation which will expand the Alaska Marine Highway to Western Alaska and improve transportation to tie the Central Alaskan ports in with the Aleutian Alaskan ports and further supports the expeditious procurement of an ocean going vessel to accomplish the expansion of the Alaska Marine Highway System as stated above.
2. Since Alaska's economy depends heavily upon ocean and inland water shipping, fishing and other marine travel, the League finds the existing port and harbor grant programs to be inadequately funded and urges expansion of those programs. Major port and harbor facility plans should be prepared and developed consonant with the municipalities' plans.
3. The League supports efforts to provide efficiencies in the operation of the Alaska Marine Highway System providing these efficiencies are based on publically available economic and technical data. However the League strongly objects to any reduction in existing marine highway systems absent technical, economic or other criteria, strongly urges community input be required prior to establishing marine highway rates, schedules and operational changes, and requests public input for any studies affecting the operation of the Alaska Marine Highway System be solicited on a state-wide basis.
4. With the difficulty in acquiring public rights-of-way throughout the state, primarily due to different land classification and ownerships, the League supports the identification of adequate corridors for construction for public access through such lands and early acquisition of adequate rights-of-way.
5. The League supports efforts toward an expanded railroad system to serve areas beyond the current northerly railroad terminus and southeasterly extensions linking the State of Alaska with Canadian rail facilities. The League supports the extension of the existing line to the Kenai Industrial Complex.
6. Since the Alaska economy depends on the existence of transportation routes, the League supports the continued use and state maintenance of the state highways and trails systems.
7. The League supports an effort by the state to improve the land transportation service between Southcentral Alaska and the Whittier Gateway to Prince William Sound.
8. The League requests that the State of Alaska support mandatory shipping corridors within Alaskan waters.

9. The League requests the state to intervene in the matter of interpretation and enforcement of federal regulations pertaining to the transportation of hazardous cargo on passenger vessels and aircraft in order to reduce the financial penalties now imposed upon certain communities.
10. The League supports the expeditious development of a transportation program based on technical data with the maximum public participation possible which identifies the needs and establishes an improvement program for all forms of transportation in Alaska to include commercial and private air, marine and land transportation systems and adequate consideration for emergency airstrips.
11. The League requests that the state join in asking the President of the United States to intervene in the interpretation of the Jones Act by the Customs Service, as it limits the time permitted and number of port calls in Alaska by foreign bottom cruise ships.
12. Port Authorities: Insufficient mechanisms exist under Alaska law to create joint port authorities, free port of entries and trade zones. Therefore, the League supports legislation to expand the powers of home rule and general law municipalities to create, finance and operate port facilities and ancillary authorities to enhance commerce within the State of Alaska.
13. The League requests the state provide the option for municipalities to assume jurisdiction over control of the movement of local street and highway traffic within its boundaries.
14. The League urges DOT/PF to make planning funds available to enable all municipalities to do the transportation planning within their boundaries that is required of coastal municipalities by the Alaska Coastal Management Program.
15. The League requests that the state consider a transportation system comprised of marine and land highway components. This system would embody shorter ferry runs between adjacent communities with extensions to the land highway system and by the utilization of high speed ferries and end-loading vessels with more frequent ferry service with minimal on-board facilities for passengers.
16. The League supports major and minor in-state ferry maintenance.
17. The League requests the Division of Marine Highways improve the ferry reservation system.
18. The League urges the state to make an increased level of road construction funding available to all municipalities subject to state land disposals within their jurisdictions.
19. The League supports early construction of the Sitka-Rodman Road which would make daily ferry service available to all major communities in Southeast Alaska.

## B. Air Transportation

1. The League supports the concept of continued expansion and upgrading of the airports and air navigational aids in Alaska.
2. The League supports municipal acquisition of federal and state lands to provide for needed expansion of port and airport facilities and operations.

## PART VI MUNICIPAL UTILITIES

### A. State Regulation

1. Alaska is undoubtedly unique among the fifty states in its preponderance of municipally-owned utilities. However, most of these utilities are currently over-burdened because of unprecedented growth of recent years. The League supports expeditious funding which would make available to the various municipal utilities in the State of Alaska low interest loans in order that they may immediately be brought into adequate service for the people, and that the Alaska Power Authority be adequately funded to meet the needs of the municipalities for water and power source development and distribution.
2. Despite the demonstrated ability of municipal and cooperatives' utilities to operate their respective utilities in the best interest of consumer public, efforts are constantly being made to subject these utilities to regulation by the Alaska Public Utility Commission. Regulation by the APUC is an unnecessary infringement on local government authority as well as that of federally regulated cooperatives. The League opposes any legislation which would continually inflict this undue regulation by the state.
3. The League supports legislation which would make it clear that municipalities and cooperative utilities may include construction work in progress in the utilities rate base.
4. The League supports the concept of direct grants and low interest loans from state funds for the construction of power and water projects in order that rates paid by the Alaska consumer for these necessary services may be set at a reasonable level which is within the ability of the citizen to pay.
5. The League supports the strengthening of laws relating to the alteration, tampering with and bypassing of utility meters.

### B. Acquisition

1. One of the alleged benefits to accrue from the enactment of the Alaska Public Utility Commission Act was the amicable solution to the service area conflicts between competing utilities. To further this commendable objective, the League, therefore, supports legislation which would allow municipalities operating utilities to acquire the facilities of a competing utility under specific terms which would fairly compensate the competing utility.

### C. Sewage Disposal

1. Amendments were passed by the U.S. Congress to allow exemptions to the Clean Water Act with respect to sewerage disposal in tide water with sufficient fluctuation. The League opposes any regulations which would unduly burden the Alaska communities in receiving these exemptions. The costs of preparing and presenting the applications should be an eligible expense and be reimbursed by the State of Alaska.
2. The League also endorses the concept of the State of Alaska's paying up to 75% for sewage and water systems constructed by municipalities under the State of Alaska Construction Grant Program.
3. The League endorses an amendment to Federal law which would allow the operational cost of sewage treatment facilities to receive general fund support from the State of Alaska and its municipalities.

### D. Solid Waste

1. The League supports legislation which would authorize up to 50% of the costs of capital improvements for construction of solid waste disposal facilities by municipalities under the State of Alaska Construction Grant Program. This program shall be applicable to those facilities currently under construction at the time the Act passes. The League also supports legislation which would allow the operational cost of solid waste disposal systems to receive general support in the form of state revenue sharing from the State of Alaska.

### E. Fresh Water

1. The League endorses amendments to federal and state regulations to permit waivers of the Fresh Water Drinking Standards as long as public health is protected.
2. The League endorses a comprehensive effort by state and federal officials to develop alternative energy sources in Alaska, as well as innovative and appropriate technologies including cogeneration. Specific emphasis should be placed on the uses of these in the provision of sewage treatment and water supplies and solid waste facilities in the State.
3. The League supports legislation which would make available funds to municipal energy conservation programs as well as low cost home improvement loans which demonstrate energy conservation approaches.

## PART VII MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

### A. Majority Elections

1. The League strongly supports legislation which would permit a municipality, with voter ratification, to opt out of the 40% plurality requirement for election to office and which would clarify the 40% rule for municipalities that continues to use it.

## B. Poll Hours

1. Experience has proven that extension of polling hours has not increased voter turnout and has been costly. The League, therefore, opposes legislation which would extend the hours beyond the present 8:00 am to 8:00 pm.

## C. Registration

1. The League opposes legislation which would eliminate or erode the State of Alaska registration system.

2. The League supports legislation which would expand the state voter registration laws (AS 15.07.030) to include as part of voter history for registration and purging purposes, voting in a municipal election.

## D. Administration

1. The League supports legislation which consolidates all functions pertaining to election, conflict of interest, campaign disclosure reporting, and qualifications for candidates into one agency.

## E. Disclosure Restrictions

1. Although the League opposes campaign and financial disclosure restrictions imposed upon local governments, it recognizes the improbability of complete repeal of these statutes. The League, however, urges the Legislature to review and revise the laws making the reporting requirement less onerous than presently in effect. The League specifically supports legislation which would exempt from campaign disclosure and/or financial disclosure elected or appointed advisory boards as defined in 29.63.090.

## F. Voter Qualification

1. The League supports legislation which would require a person to be registered to vote, under the state registration system, in the municipality in which he seeks to vote.

## G. Qualifications for Elective Office

1. The League supports legislation that would include provisions in Title 29 for municipalities to set qualifications for all elected municipal officials and to delete that section in Title 14 relating to municipal school board member qualifications.

2. The League supports legislation that would amend Title 29 to include reference to the requirements of AS 15.13 and AS 39.50 pertaining to qualifications of candidates.

## H. Title 29 Revisions

1. The League supports legislation which would clarify AS 29.28.070(b) to specify that signature requirements for petitions be based upon the last regular election held just preceding the date of first circulation of the petition.

2. The League supports legislation amending AS 29.28.070 to provide that the number of signatures required to initiate a petition for referendum, initiative or recall be 25% of the number of voters voting in the last regular election regardless of population of the municipality.

3. The League supports revision of the reapportionment provisions of Title 29 for clarification, simplification, flexibility, and autonomy at the local level.

## PART VIII LOCAL GOVERNMENT POWERS

### A. Local Autonomy

1. Because certain restrictions currently exist in the Alaska Statutes which impede effective independent local government, the League supports legislation which would promote more effective and independent local government in all organized boroughs and cities, and opposes any legislation which restricts local government powers.

2. The League supports the continued exemption of municipal officials and employees from the lobbying reporting requirements under AS 24.25.

3. The League supports legislation at both state and federal levels placing municipalities in an equal posture with state governments with respect to federal anti-trust laws.

4. The League opposes state restrictions on enforcement of municipal ordinances and supports legislation clearly establishing local autonomy in the creation of mandatory sentences and other remedies for violation of local ordinances.

5. The League supports the community council concept and also supports legislation which would require that the local governing body be the management unit for local community councils. The local governing body should be both the requester and receiver of state funds that will be used to fund community councils.

### B. Public Employee Labor Relations

1. The League strongly opposes any legislation which would force municipalities to be subject to the provisions of the Alaska Public Employees Labor Relations Act. The League opposes just as strongly, any legislative efforts to dictate the provisions of local public employees labor relations ordinances. The League supports legislation to allow each municipality at any time to reject or withdraw from the terms of the Alaska Public Employees Relations Act.

2. The League opposes legislation imposing binding arbitration on local governments. Such legislation would hinder local governments' ability to determine their personnel costs and prevent local government from having complete control of determining the local tax rate.

### C. Third Class Borough

1. The League supports elimination of language from Alaska Statutes which would allow for the future creation of third class boroughs. Any existing third class borough would be allowed to continue in existence until such time as it reclassifies. The League believes that a third class borough, as currently defined in statute, does not meet standards for a general purpose local government.

### D. Local Government Study

1. The League endorses, and strongly supports, legislative action that would create and adequately fund a committee which would be charged with investigating current and future state/local government relations and finance in Alaska and the current and future status of local government structures, specifically including the unorganized borough. The committee shall be comprised of state administrative officials dealing with local governments, local government officials and residents from large and small cities and boroughs, specifically including the unorganized borough and legislators. The committee shall prepare a report on its findings, including proposed legislation and constitutional changes, and shall submit the report to the State Legislature and all local governments.

### E. Public Officials

1. The League supports legislation to allow public officials of participating municipalities to enroll in the Public Employees Retirement System at any time during their term of office.

2. The League urges the State Legislature to extend to municipalities that opt out of the Social Security System the right to participate in the state's social security benefit substitute package.

## PART IX RESOURCES

### A. Non-Renewable

1. The Alaska Municipal League supports a clear policy requiring the processing of state royalty oil and gas within Alaska.

2. The League encourages a state policy requiring the distribution and sale within Alaska, to the extent it is economically feasible, the products of Alaska processed oil and gas.

3. In response to the energy shortage and its economic impact on the people of the state, the League urges the federal government, the State of Alaska, and League members to design, construct and use their buildings with an emphasis on energy efficiency.

4. In consideration of anticipated storages of petroleum products for energy production, the League urges the State of Alaska to pursue the development of Alaska's coal resources.

5. The League supports legislation which establishes a clear mineral policy to encourage resource development; in-state ore concentration and/or reduction; and protects mineral land from imposed incompatible land uses.

#### B. Renewable

1. The League requests that the executive and legislative branches of state government establish a policy requiring the development and processing of renewable resources in Alaska and through appropriate inventory and management practices make all renewable resources available for development and processing on a sustained yield basis.

2. The League supports legislation which would establish and continue existing long range research and development in high value finfish and shellfish aquaculture and enhancement and for the development of an aggressive bottom fish program.

3. The Alaska Municipal League requests the executive and legislative branches of our state government to accelerate market studies and market development of Alaska's renewable resources.

4. The League supports legislation for the development of an aggressive bottomfish program including substantially accelerated marketing studies and market development for Alaskan bottomfish products.

5. The League requests the legislature and Administration to adopt by statute and for regulation the policy that hydroelectric energy is one of the most advantageous and acceptable methods of generating renewable energy for use by the many citizens of Alaska.

6. The League recommends legislation establishing a state energy policy which addresses both rural and urban situations and provides incentives to development of energy sources specific to community needs giving preference to renewable energy sources and/or new technologies.

7. The League recognizes sport fishing as an important renewable resource which has economic as well as recreational value and should be protected and developed.

#### C. Human Resources

1. The Alaska Municipal League supports and encourages, within the confines of the constitution and human resources limitations, any efforts on the part of the Governor and the Legislature to implement an Alaska hire policy.

2. The League encourages the State Legislature and Administration to use both the human resources and technical resources of the institutions of higher learning within the state whenever possible.

PART X  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

1. The exploration, development and industrial utilization of renewable and non-renewable resources, both inside and outside municipal boundaries, creates a substantial and immediate impact on the need for municipal facilities and services which exceed the financial ability of most municipalities to meet in the short period of time available to have such facilities and services operational. The League urges adoption of legislation which would provide financial assistance to municipalities which are proposed for such impacts.
2. The League supports and urges the State Legislature to establish and provide immediate funding of programs that will create, assist, or aid both public and private enterprises to plan, finance, and develop job related industries, businesses, and facilities that are compatible with the desires of local government.
3. The League supports legislation that will aid in the exploration, development, and in-state processing of Alaska's raw materials and vast mineral wealth, and urges the state to provide state tax incentives to those industries engaging in in-state primary and secondary processing of Alaska's resources.
4. The League supports increases in State Revenue Sharing for local economic development programs.
5. The League supports a reduction of state regulation and requirement of redundant information reports for small businesses and local governments.

ALASKA MUNICIPAL LEAGUE  
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING  
November 2, 1979

The annual business meeting of the Alaska Municipal League was called to order by President Phil Younker at 10:15 am on November 2, 1979 in the auditorium of the Centennial Building in Sitka, Alaska.

ROLL CALL - Executive Director, Ginny Chitwood called the roll and the following municipalities were represented at the meeting: Municipality of Anchorage, Barrow, Bethel, Bristol Bay Borough, Cordova, Dillingham, Fairbanks, Fairbanks North Star Borough, Haines, Haines Borough, Homer, City and Borough of Juneau, Kenai, Kenai Peninsula Borough, Ketchikan, Ketchikan Gateway Borough, King Cove, Kodiak, Kodiak Island Borough, Kotzebue, Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Nome, Palmer, Petersburg, Sand Point, Saxman, Seldovia, Seward, City and Borough of Sitka, Skagway, Soldotna, Unalaska, Valdez, Wasilla, Whittier, and Wrangell. A quorum was present.

MINUTES OF THE 1978 BUSINESS MEETING - President Younker announced that three resolutions had been inadvertently left off of the minutes that were distributed in each delegate packet. These resolutions had been passed at the business meeting last year. They included a resolution expressing support for the people of Wrangell and requesting state and federal disaster assistance; a resolution of appreciation to the Anchorage Westward Hilton Hotel; and a resolution of appreciation to the Municipality of Anchorage. Don Gilman, Mayor, Kenai Peninsula Borough, moved the minutes be approved with the inclusion of the resolutions. Dave Walsh, Assembly Member, Municipality of Anchorage, seconded. The question was called and there being no objection, the motion to adopt passed unanimously on a voice vote.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS CHANGES - The following proposed amendments to the constitution and by-laws were read on the opening day of the conference, October 30, 1979. Underlined words are additions; bracketed words are deletions.

CONSTITUTION - Article IV, Section 1, Officers: The officers of this organization shall be a president, first vice president, second vice president, immediate past president, up to five (5) past presidents, executive director, and seven (7) directors, each of whom, with the exception of the executive director, shall hold an elective or appointed position in a member city or borough. If there are more than five eligible past presidents, in addition to the immediate past president, the positions shall be filled by the five most recent past presidents who are eligible.

Article IV, Section 2, Term of Office: The terms of office of the president and vice presidents shall be one year. The terms of office of director shall be two years. [The five directors elected in 1968 shall apportion by lot 4 two year terms and 1 one year term.] The term of office of a past president shall continue until he is replaced by a more recent past president or until he is no longer eligible to serve.

Article IV, Section 3, Board of Directors: The board of directors shall consist of the president, first vice president, second vice president, immediate past president, up to five (5) past presidents, and seven (7) directors. The board of directors shall have general supervision over all the affairs of the organization, subject to the will of the organization expressed at any duly convened meeting.

BY-LAWS - Article II, Section 12: Past Presidents, who no longer hold an elective or appointed position in a member city or borough, shall be ex-officio members of the League and the board of directors.

Article VI, Section 1, Board Meetings: More than one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the members of the board of directors, excluding all past presidents except the immediate past president, shall constitute a quorum at a meeting of the board of directors. More than one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the votes, excluding blanks, cast where a quorum is present, shall constitute a majority vote.

CONSTITUTION - Article IV, Section 4, Vacancies: Any Vacancy in office shall be filled by appointment by the president, subject to the approval of the board of directors and the provisions of Article V, Section 1 of the constitution and Article II of the By-Laws.

Article V, New Section 1, Automatic Succession: Immediately prior to election of officers at the annual business meeting, the office of president shall be filled by succession of the first vice president; the first vice president, by the second vice president; provided, however, that any appointment to fill a vacancy in the office of second vice president shall be voted on at the annual meeting prior to succession, and further provided that additional nominations may be made from the floor for that office.

Article V, Section [1] 2, Nominations: Nominations for [elected officers] second vice president and directors shall be made by a nominating committee of five (5) members chosen by the president on the first day of the annual conference. Additional nominations may be made from the floor, and elections shall be on the last day of the session.

At that time President Younker appointed a constitution and by-laws committee consisting of Dave Walsh, Chairman; Lee Sharp, City and Borough of Juneau; Betty Glick, Kenai; Mike Ribar, Fairbanks North Star Borough; and Carol Lechner, Kodiak. The members have studied the changes and recommended their adoption.

Walsh again read the first set of proposed amendments. Walsh moved and Gilman seconded the adoption of the amendments. The question was called and the motion passed unanimously on voice vote.

Walsh again read the second set of proposed amendments. Walsh moved and Gilman seconded the adoption of the amendments. The question was called and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

POLICY COMMITTEE REPORTS - President Younker stated that the proposed policy statement prepared by the legislative committee at their meeting on August 23 & 24, 1979 in Valdez, and the board of directors at their meeting August 24, 1979, also in Valdez, was now before the delegation.

Ron Larson, Mayor, Matanuska-Susitna Borough, moved the adoption of the proposed policy statement. Walsh seconded.

PART I, TAXATION AND FINANCE - Lee Sharp, Attorney, City and Borough of Juneau, moved Part I be adopted as proposed. Bill Curtis, Manager, City of Palmer seconded. No changes were offered to Part I, Section A, 1 through 4. The policy committee proposed that Part V, Section B - Motor Vessel Taxation be moved to Part I, Section A-5. Sharp, Speaking on behalf of the legislative committee, recommended this section be deleted from the policy statement. He said the legislative committee further recommended the President appoint a special committee on this subject and that this committee report its findings to the legislative committee before its summer meeting. Sharp moved the legislative committee's recommendation. It was seconded. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

No changes were offered to Part I, Sections B - 1 through 3. No changes were offered to Part I, Section C - 1 through 3.

Part I, Section D, State Shared Revenues - 1. Ron Garzini, Chief Administrative Officer, Municipality of Anchorage, moved to adopt the following amendment: In the second line add a period after the word "development" and delete the rest of the sentence. Barbara Shaffer, Council Member, City of Nome, moved a substitute motion as follows: D-1. "The League strongly supports continual evaluation of the formula of revenue sharing." It was seconded. Discussion followed. The question was called on the substitute motion and the following roll call vote was recorded: AYES - Municipality of Anchorage, Barrow, Bethel, Fairbanks, Fairbanks North Star Borough, Ketchikan, Ketchikan Gateway Borough, Kotzebue, Nome, Saxman, City and Borough of Sitka, Unalaska, Wasilla, and Whittier. NAYS - Bristol Bay Borough, Cordova, Haines, Haines Borough, Homer, City and Borough of Juneau, Kenai, Kenai Peninsula Borough, King Cove, Kodiak, Kodiak Island Borough, Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Palmer, Petersburg, Sand Point, Seldovia, Seward, Skagway, Valdez and Wrangell. The Motion failed 14 to 20. After more discussion, the question was called on the main motion and the following roll call vote was recorded: AYES - Municipality of Anchorage, Bristol Bay Borough and Nome. NAYS - Barrow, Bethel, Cordova, Fairbanks, Fairbanks North Star Borough, Haines, Haines Borough, Homer, City and Borough of Juneau, Kenai, Kenai Peninsula Borough, Ketchikan, Ketchikan Gateway Borough, King Cove, Kodiak, Kodiak Island Borough, Kotzebue, Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Palmer, Petersburg, Sand Point, Saxman, Seldovia, Seward, City and Borough of Sitka, Skagway, Unalaska, Valdez, Wasilla, Whittier, and Wrangell. The Motion failed 3 to 31.

The amendment having failed the motion properly before the body was the adoption of the language in the proposed draft of the policy statement. Lehne moved to amend paragraph D-1 as follows: In the first line, strike the words "100%" and insert the word "increased"; in the second line, after the word "program" add the words "to a level at least three times the 1979 funding level,". It was seconded. The question was called and the following roll call vote was recorded: AYES - Municipality of Anchorage, Barrow, Bethel, Bristol Bay Borough, Cordova, Fairbanks, Fairbanks North Star Borough, City and Borough of Juneau, King Cove, Kodiak, Kodiak Island Borough, Kotzebue, Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Nome, Palmer, Sand Point, Skagway, Unalaska, Valdez

and Wasilla. NAYS - Haines, Haines Borough, Homer, Kenai, Kenai Peninsula Borough, Ketchikan, Ketchikan Gateway Borough, Petersburg, Saxman, Seldovia, Seward, City and Borough of Sitka, Whittier, and Wrangell. The motion passed 20 to 14.

No changes were offered to Part I, D-2 & 3. No changes were offered to Part I, E - Bonding. No changes were offered to Part I, F - Funding the Newly Organized Municipalities. No changes were offered to Part I, G - Public Employee Retirement, 1 & 2.

Part I, H, Cultural, Civic and Convention Centers and Museums # 1. Sharp said the policy committee recommended the following: In the third line delete the word "no" and insert the words "only minimal". Sharp said the legislative committee agreed with this amendment and so moved. It was seconded, the question was called and the motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

No changes were offered to Part I, H-2. No changes were offered to Part I, I(eye) Local Hospital Use # 1.

Part I, I(eye) # 2. Sharp said the legislative committee recommended the following amendment: In line 4, after the word "supports" add the word "increased". After the word "construction" add the words "and operating costs". Sharp moved the two amendments. The motion to amend was seconded, the question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

Sharp said the policy committee recommended the addition of a new paragraph 3: "The League supports the increase of state assistance for hospitals from \$75,000 to \$100,000 annually and increase the state assistance for additional health units from \$4,000 to \$6,000." Sharp moved the amendment but said the legislative committee recommended the amendment not be adopted since the amendments to paragraph 2 had passed, and asked the members to vote no. The question was called and the motion failed on a voice vote.

Part I, J - Real Estate Transfer Information. Rocky Gutierrez, Administrator, City and Borough of Sitka, moved to delete the entire section J. It was seconded. Discussion followed, the question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote. (Note: Due to this deletion, the following sections will be renumbered in the policy statement.) Part I, K - Role of the Permanent Fund # 1, no changes were offered. Part I, K - # 2, Mitch Gravo, Assistant to the mayor, Municipality of Anchorage, moved to delete the entire section. It was seconded. Discussion followed, the question was called and the motion failed on a voice vote.

No changes were offered to Part I, L - Anti-cyclical Policy.

No changes were offered to Part I, M, Tax Credit - 1 through 3.

Part I, M-4. Sharp said the policy committee recommended adding new language as follows: "The League supports legislation that will clarify the determination of the amount of property which is exempt under the senior citizen property tax exemptions." Sharp said the legislative committee did not object to the proposed amendment. Sharp moved the amendment. Erle Cooper, Council Member, City of Homer, seconded. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

The question was called on the main motion to adopt Part I, Taxation and Finance, as amended. The motion passed on a voice vote.

PART II, EDUCATION - Gilman moved Part II be adopted as proposed. Ted Lehne, Council Member, City of Fairbanks, seconded.

Larson, reporting for the legislative committee, said the policy committee recommended the following language for Part II, A - School Support # 1. "The constitution of Alaska is very specific in its requirement that education is the responsibility of the state. Therefore, the League urges the Legislature to fund annually 100% of the cost of public education. Appropriation must reflect annually the increased cost incurred by school districts and full funding should not be used as a catalyst for the state to infringe upon the rights of local people to administer local schools." Larson said the legislative committee recommended it not be adopted. There was no motion to adopt the language proposed by the policy committee so the language was not considered.

Larson moved to amend the proposed language in the draft by adding, in the fourth line after the Word "Program" the words "special education". It was seconded, discussion followed, and the motion passed on a voice vote.

Part II, A-2. Larson said the policy committee recommended the following amendment to the proposed policy draft: In the seventh line, after the word "level" add the words "for all future years". Larson said the legislative committee recommended it not be adopted. There was no motion to adopt so the language was not considered.

Larson moved Part II, A-2 be retained as proposed. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Part II, A-3. Larson said the policy committee recommended new language as follows: "The League recommends that the State Legislature fund fully all special programs as required by public law". Larson said the legislative committee concurred with the new language and so moved. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

No changes were offered to Part II, A-4. No changes were offered to Part II, A-5.

Larson said the policy committee recommended adding a new paragraph (6) to read: "The League urges the Governor and the Legislature to act as soon as possible on establishing the amount of the public school foundation support (basic educational unit) for the 1980-81 school year." Larson said the legislative committee concurred with this amendment and so moved. It was seconded, the question was called and there being no objection, the motion passed.

Larson said the policy committee recommended adding a new paragraph (7) to read: "The League supports the creation of a uniform and equitable system of financing, maintaining and operating the cost of public education, regardless of municipal status." He said the legislative committee did not have a recommendation in this new language, but moved its adoption. It was seconded. Discussion followed. Len Laurance, Assembly Member, Ketchikan Gateway Borough, moved to table.

It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed by voice vote.

Don Smith, Assembly Member, Municipality of Anchorage, moved a new paragraph (7) to read: "The League strongly recommends that the state Legislature review and reevaluate the rural high school construction program. The League further urges that any additional funding must come from a state bond issue, rather than a direct appropriation." Shaffer seconded. Discussion followed. The question was called and the following roll call vote was recorded: AYES - Municipality of Anchorage, Bristol Bay Borough, Cordova, Dillingham, Fairbanks, Fairbanks North Star Borough, Haines, Haines Borough, Kenai, Ketchikan, Ketchikan Gateway Borough, Kotzebue, Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Nome, Palmer, Petersburg, Saxman, Seward, City and Borough of Sitka, Skagway, Unalaska, Valdez, Wasilla, and Wrangell. NAYS - Barrow, Bethel, Homer, City and Borough of Juneau, Kenai Peninsula Borough, King Cove, Kodiak, Kodiak Island Borough, Sand Point, and Seldovia. The motion passed 24 to 10.

Part II, B - Assembly/Council-School Board Relationships # 1. Carroll Fader, Mayor, Ketchikan Gateway Borough, said the policy committee and legislative committee both approved of the proposed language and moved its adoption. It was seconded, the question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

No changes were offered to Part II, C - Public Communications # 1 & 2.

Part II, C-3. Fader said the policy committee recommended new language as follows: "The League supports legislation which would support communities served by television cable systems that are applying for issuance of FCC construction permits for mini TV translators." He said the legislative committee had no objection to this new language, and so moved. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

The question was called on the main motion to adopt Part II, Education, as amended. The motion passed on a voice vote.

PART III, PUBLIC SAFETY - Bill Curtis, Manager, City of Palmer, moved Part III be adopted as proposed. Roberley Potter, Assembly Member, City and Borough of Sitka seconded.

Part III, # 1. Curtis, reporting for the legislative committee, said that the policy committee recommended the following amendment: Line 4, after the word "facilities" and before the word "for" insert the words "and program resources". He said the legislative committee concurred in this amendment and so moved. It was seconded, the question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

Part III, # 2. Curtis said the policy committee recommended paragraph 2 be replaced with the following language: "Because the Alaska Police Standards Council has lost all federal support the League recommends the establishment of state assistance proportional to the cost of on-going assistance to those members of municipal police agencies attending courses in order to meet the requirements of the Alaska Police Standards Act." He said the legislative committee concurred in this amendment

and so moved. It was seconded. The question was called and there being no objection it was so ordered.

Part III, # 3. Curtis said the policy committee recommended deleting all material in paragraph 3 and that the legislative committee concurred. He then moved to delete. It was seconded. The question was called and there being no objection, it was so ordered. (Note: with this deletion, the remaining paragraphs in Part III will be renumbered in the policy statement.)

Part III, # 4. Curtis said the policy committee recommended paragraph 4 be amended as follows: After the word "the" in the first line and before the word "to" in the second line, delete the words "Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Corrections" and insert the words "State of Alaska". He said the legislative committee concurred in this amendment and so moved. It was seconded. The question was called and there being no objection, it was so ordered.

Garzini moved to amend by restating paragraph 4 to read as follows: "Recognizing Corrections is a state function, the League urges the State of Alaska to fund the construction and/or operation of short term detention facilities within local communities." It was seconded. Discussion followed. Larson moved to amend by inserting the words ",if necessary," after the word "construction" and striking "/or". It was seconded. The chair accepted this as a friendly motion and the question was called on the motion to adopt the new statement as follows: "Recognizing Corrections is a state function, the League urges the State of Alaska to fund the construction, if necessary, and the operation of short term detention facilities within local communities." The motion carried on a voice vote.

No changes were offered to Part III, # 5 & 6.

Part III, # 7. Curtis said the policy committee recommended new language as follows: "The League urges the State of Alaska to establish a comprehensive public fire education program, through the State Fire Marshall's office, that will utilize professionally trained public fire educators." He said the legislative committee concurred with this amendment and so moved. It was seconded, the question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

Part III, # 8. Curtis said the policy committee recommended the following amendment: In the third line, after the word "clarified" add the words "that the state" and in the last line, after the word "arrest" add a period and delete the rest of the line. He said the legislative committee concurred in this amendment and so moved. It was seconded, the question was called and there being no objection, it was so ordered.

Part III, # 9. Curtis said the policy committee recommended a new paragraph to read: "The League urges the State of Alaska to reform the Alaska Juvenile Justice System so that the people's confidence in the rule of the law will be restored and our traditional form of government will continue to provide security for the law abiding citizen." He said the legislative committee concurred with this new material and moved its adoption. It was seconded. The question was called and there being no objection, it was so ordered.

The question was called on the main motion to adopt Part III, Public Safety, as amended. The motion passed on a voice vote.

PART IV, LAND USE - Jim Nordale, Attorney, Fairbanks North Star Borough, moved Part IV be adopted as proposed. Roberley Potter, Assembly Member, City and Borough of Sitka, seconded.

No changes were offered to Part IV, A - Local Options. No changes were offered to Part IV, B - Land Selection # 1.

Part IV, B-2. Nordale, reporting for the legislative committee, said the policy committee recommended deleting the words "either administratively or" in the 6th and 7th lines. He said the legislative committee concurred in the amendment and so moved. It was seconded, the question was called and the motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

No changes were offered to Part IV, d(2) Lands in Alaska, # 1.

Part IV, C-2. Nordale said the policy committee recommended deleting the words "and state" in the second line. He said the legislative committee concurred with the amendment and so moved. The question was called and the motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

President Younker announced a message had been received from Senator Gravel's office saying he would not filibuster SB 9, but reserves the right to filibuster if a substitute bill is presented.

Part IV, D - Historical Sites # 1. Nordale said the policy committee recommended the following amendment: In the third line, after the word "a" and before the word "matching" add the word "state". He said the legislative committee concurred with this amendment and so moved. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

No changes were offered to Part IV, E - Coastal Management # 1.

Part IV, E-2. Nordale said the policy committee recommended the following amendment: In the first line change the word "for" to "by". He said the legislative committee concurred with this amendment and so moved. It was seconded. Carol Maser, Assembly Member, Municipality of Anchorage, offered the following amendment: After the word "district" delete the rest of the line and add the words "plan is adopted". The chair accepted this as a friendly motion. The question was called on the motion to amend E-2 by changing the word "for" to "by" and substituting the words "plan is adopted" for the words "is formed in that part of the unorganized borough". The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Part IV, E-3. Nordale said the policy committee recommended the following amendment: Substitute new language as follows: "The League urges the state agencies to abide by a municipality's interpretation of coastal management standards from the time of conceptual approval by the municipality until final approval by the Legislature." He said the legislative committee concurred and moved the amendment. It was seconded, the question was called and there being no objection, it was so ordered.

Part IV, F - Subdivisions # 1. Nordale said the policy committee recommended the following amendment: In the last sentence, after the word "land" delete the period and add the words "and prior to any judicial partition of real property". He said the legislative committee concurred and so moved. It was seconded, the question was called and the motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Ben Delahay, Attorney, City of Kenai, moved the following amendment: In the third line after the word "for" and before the word "subdivision" insert the words "regulation of". It was seconded. The chair accepted this as a friendly motion and the question was called on the adoption of Section F-1 as amended. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Part IV, F-2. Nordale said the policy committee recommended the following amendment: In the last sentence, after the word "municipality" delete the period and add the words "including regular platting board review and approval". He felt the amendment had been placed in the wrong sentence and moved the words "including regular platting review and approval" be inserted after the word "requirements". He said the legislative committee concurred in the amendment. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Phil Berrian, Planning Director, Fairbanks North Star Borough, moved the following amendment: In the last line, after the word "disposing" add the words "and acquiring". It was seconded and discussion followed. The question was called and the motion failed on a voice vote.

Nordale moved the adoption of the legislative committee substitute language which is as follows: "The League supports legislation which would require legal access to all state land disposals; and that, except for state subdivisions in remote areas or for dispersed entry, local subdivision improvement requirements be honored by the state by either installing such improvements or by acquiescing in the formation of service areas and local improvement districts containing such state property and honoring the obligation to pay LID assessments on such property while it is in state ownership." It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Nordale said the policy committee recommended the addition of new material to be paragraph 3 as follows: "The League supports the concept of an Enterprise Fund as a means for the state to provide required improvements in state land disposals." He said the legislative committee concurred and so moved. It was seconded, the question was called and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Nordale said the policy committee recommended the addition of a new section as follows: "G - State Land Disposal # 1. The League supports legislation which mandates land use capability and resource inventory findings for each tract of land included in the disposal bank." He said the legislative committee concurred with the new material and moved its adoption. Curtis seconded. There being no discussion, the question was called and the motion passed with no objection.

Nordale said the policy committee recommended the addition of a new section as follows: "H - Grazing Districts # 1. The League supports legislation which delegates to local governments the establishment of controlled grazing districts within organized municipalities." He said the legislative committee concurred with the new material and moved its adoption. Curtis seconded. There being no discussion, the question was called and the motion passed with no objection.

Nordale said the policy committee recommended the addition of a new section as follows: "I (eye) - Forest Land # 1. The League supports legislation which limits the applicability of the Forest Practices Act to commercial forest land, and further limits the applicability of the Act to municipal and private lands to a voluntary basis only."

"I (eye) - 2. The League supports legislation which creates incentive programs which encourage placement of private lands under sustained yield forest management."

He said the legislative committee did not feel they had adequate information and therefore had no recommendation.

Nordale moved the adoption of the new material for I (eye) - Forest Land # 1 & 2. It was seconded. The chair asked for a division of the question, therefore, the motion to adopt I - Forest Land, # 1 was before the body. Discussion followed. Gilman moved to table. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

The motion to adopt I - Forest Land # 2, was now before the body. The question was called and the motion failed on a voice vote.

Judi Slajer, Manager, Ketchikan Gateway Borough, moved a new section as follows: "The League supports legislation that the state provide funds for necessary quantitative definition studies of natural resources." She said this language had been proposed by the policy committee for Part X, Economic Development, but that the legislative committee recommended that it be put in the section on Land Use. She moved adoption of the new language. It was seconded.

Jim Ekstedt, Council Member, City of Palmer, moved to amend the new language to read as follows: "The League supports legislation that the state provide funds for necessary quantitative definition studies and market analysis of minerals other than oil and gas." The amendment to the new section was seconded. Discussion followed. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

The question was called on the motion to adopt the new section as amended and it passed on a voice vote.

The question was called on the main motion to adopt Part IV, Land Use, as amended. The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

PART V, TRANSPORTATION, DOCKS AND PORTS - David Jensen, Manager, cities of Sand Point and King Cove moved the adoption of Part V as proposed. It was seconded.

No changes were offered to Part V, A-Surface and Marine Highways # 1.

Part V, A-2. Jensen said the policy committee recommended deletion of the old material and adoption of new language as follows: "Since Alaska's economy depends heavily upon ocean and inland water shipping, fishing, and other marine travel, the League finds the existing port and harbor grant programs to be inadequately funded and urges expansion of those programs. Major port and harbor facility plans should be prepared and developed consonant with the municipality's plans." He said the legislative committee concurred in the new language and moved its adoption. It was seconded, the question was called and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Part V, A-3. Jensen said the policy committee recommended the following amendment: Delete the word "jurisdictions" and substitute the word "criteria" or the word "justifications". He said the legislative committee concurred and moved to substitute the word "criteria". It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

No changes were offered to Part V, A-4 & 5.

Part V, A-6. Jensen said the policy committee recommended the following amendment: In the last line delete the period and add the words "and trails systems". He said the legislative committee concurred and moved the adoption of the amendment. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

No changes were offered to Part V-7 & 8.

Part V, A-9. Jensen said the policy committee recommended deleting the entire statement and that the legislative committee concurred. He moved to delete. It was seconded, and there being no objection, it was so ordered.

(Note: The following material will be renumbered in the policy statement.)

No changes were offered to Part V-10, 11, 12 & 13.

Part V, A-14. Jensen said neither the policy committee nor the legislative committee recommended changing the proposed wording. Jim Dunn, Department of Transportation, Municipality of Anchorage, offered the following amendment: In the last line, delete the period and add the words "and provide state financial support on the basis of actual maintenance costs as appropriated". It was seconded. Discussion followed. The question was called and the following roll call vote was recorded: AYES - Bristol Bay Borough, Cordova, Dillingham, King Cove, Nome, Sand Point, Unalaska, Wasilla, Whittier, Anchorage, and Kotzebue. NAYS - Bethel, Fairbanks, Fairbanks North Star Borough, Haines, Haines Borough, Homer, City and Borough of Juneau, Kenai, Kenai Peninsula Borough, Ketchikan, Ketchikan Gateway Borough, Kodiak, Kodiak Island Borough, Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Palmer, Petersburg, Saxman, Seldovia, Seward, City and Borough of Sitka, Skagway, Soldotna, Wrangell, and Barrow. The motion failed 11 to 24.

Betty Wallin, Mayor, Kodiak Island Borough, moved to add new material to read as follows: "The League requests that the state join in asking the President of the United States to intervene in the interpretation of the Jones Act by allowing foreign-bottom and subsidized-bottom ships to carry domestic freight between Alaska and the continental

United States:" It was seconded. Discussion followed.

Delahay moved the adoption of the new material be tabled. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion to table passed on a voice vote.

No changes were offered to Part V-15.

Jensen said the policy committee recommended adding new material (Part V-16) as follows: "The League requests the state consider a transportation system compromised of marine and land highway components. This system would embody shorter ferry runs between adjacent communities with extensions to the land highway system and by the utilization of high speed ferries and end-loading vessels with more frequent ferry service with minimal on-board facilities for passengers." He said the legislative committee concurred with the new language and moved its adoption. It was seconded. There being no discussion, the question was called and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Jensen said the policy committee recommended adding new material (17) as follows: "The League supports major and minor in-state ferry maintenance". He said the legislative committee concurred with the new language and moved its adoption. It was seconded. There being no discussion, the question was called and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Jensen said the policy committee recommended adding new material (18) as follows: "The League requests the Division of Marine Highways improve the ferry reservation system and initiate a personnel public relations program." He said the legislative committee did not recommend the adoption of the new material. Jo Ann Elson, Assembly Member, Kenai Peninsula Borough, moved adoption of the new material. It was seconded. Darlene Crawford, Mayor, City of Seldovia, moved to amend by placing a period after the word "system" and deleting the words "and initiate a personnel public relations program". It was seconded. Discussion followed. The question was called on the motion to amend the new material and the motion passed on a voice vote. The question was then called on the motion to adopt the new material as amended and the motion passed on a voice vote.

Jensen said the policy committee recommended adding new material (19) as follows: "The League urges the state to make an increased level of road construction funding available to all municipalities subject to state land disposals within their jurisdictions." He said the legislative committee concurred in this new language and moved its adoption. It was seconded, the question was called and the motion passed by voice vote.

Section B, Motor Vessel Taxation, was previously moved to Part I, Taxation and Finance.

Jensen said the policy committee recommended adding new material (B.) to read as follows: "B. Air Transportation. # 1. The League supports the concept of continued expansion and upgrading of airports and air navigational aids in Alaska." He said the legislative committee concurred with the new material and moved its adoption. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

Jensen said the policy committee recommended new material to read as follows: "B. Air Transportation. # 2. The League supports the free enterprise system and further supports competitive air service in Alaska." He said the legislative committee did not recommend adoption of the new language. Jensen moved its adoption. It was seconded and discussion followed. The question was called and the motion failed on voice vote.

Jensen said the policy committee recommended adding new material to read as follows "B-3. The League supports municipal acquisition of federal and state lands to provide for needed expansion of port and airport facilities and operations." He said the legislative committee concurred with the new language and moved its adoption. It was seconded, the question was called and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Len Laurance, Assembly Member, Ketchikan Gateway Borough, moved the adoption of new language to be added to Section A as follows: "The League supports early construction of the Sitka-Rodman Bay Road which would make available daily ferry service to all major communities in Southeast Alaska." It was seconded. Discussion followed. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

Larson moved an amendment to Part V, A-5, as follows: In the last line delete the period and add the words "in the Point McKenzie development area.". It was seconded. The Chair, upon advice of the parliamentarian, ruled that the proper motion would be to reconsider Part V, A-5. It was so moved and seconded. It was moved to amend the motion to reconsider paragraph 5 to also include paragraph 7. It was seconded. Larson accepted this as part of his main motion. Discussion followed on the motion to reconsider paragraphs 5 and 7.

The chair said that the motion to reconsider required a two-thirds majority vote. The question was called and the motion failed by voice vote.

Leo Rasmussen, Mayor, City of Nome, moved the adoption of new language under section B as follows: "The League supports de-regulation of airlines and air service in Alaska." The motion failed for lack of a second.

The question was called on the motion to adopt Part V as amended. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

President Younker turned the gavel over to Second Vice President Potter. Mayor Crawford moved to rescind the action taken on Part I, D-1. The Chair ruled this out of order since the motion to accept the whole policy statement had not been adopted.

Mayor Crawford asked for a privileged motion. The chair ruled this in order and said that, although a motion to rescind took a two-thirds majority vote, that only a majority vote was needed since Crawford had given notice to the Chair. Crawford moved that the adoption of the new language for Part I, D-1, be rescinded and that the original proposed language be adopted. An objection was raised on the interpretation of "notice to the chair".

Gilman requested a roll call vote on whether or not Crawford's motion was properly before the body. The following roll call vote was recorded: AYES - Homer, Kenai, Kenai Peninsula Borough, Ketchikan, Ketchikan Gateway Borough, Kodiak, Kodiak Island Borough, Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Nome, Palmer, Seldovia, Seward, City and Borough of Sitka, Soldotna, and Wrangell. NAYS - Municipality of Anchorage, Barrow, Bethel, Bristol Bay Borough, Cordova, Dillingham, Fairbanks, Fairbanks North Star Borough, Haines, City and Borough of Juneau, King Cove, Kotzebue, Petersburg, Sand Point, Saxman, Unalaska, and Wasilla. The motion failed 15 to 17.

PART VI, MUNICIPAL UTILITIES - Larson moved Part VI be adopted as proposed. John Spencer, Director, Enterprise Activities, Municipality of Anchorage, seconded. Larson moved the adoption of the policy committee's recommendation for Part VI, A-1, 2, 3, 4, 5; Part C-1 & 2 as follows:

A. State Regulation # 1, no change to proposed language.

A-2. "Despite the demonstrated ability of municipal and cooperatives' utilities to operate their respective utilities in the best interest of consumer public, efforts are constantly being made to subject these utilities to regulation by the Alaska Public Utility Commission. Regulation by the Alaska Public Utility Commission is an unnecessary infringement on local government authority as well as that of federally regulated cooperatives. The League opposes any legislation which would continually inflict this undue regulation by the state."

A-3. In the second line, delete the words "REA financed" and insert the word "cooperative".

A-4. In the first line, delete "subsidization" and insert the words "grants and low interest loans".

A-5. No change in the proposed language.

B. Acquisition. No change to proposed language.

C. Sewage Disposal. # 1. "Amendments were passed by the U.S. Congress to allow exemptions to the Clean Water Act with respect to sewerage disposal in tide water with sufficient fluctuation. The League opposes any regulations which would unduly burden the Alaska communities in receiving these exemptions. The cost of preparing and presenting the applications should be an eligible expense and be reimbursed by the State of Alaska."

C-2. No change to the proposed language.

Larson's motion to adopt the above was seconded. There being no discussion the question was called and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

C-3. Larson said the policy committee recommended the following amendment: At the end of the sentence, delete the period and add the words "in the form of state revenue sharing.". He said the legislative committee did not concur with the new language. Larson moved the adoption of the language originally proposed in the draft. It was

seconded. Spencer moved to amend by adopting the language recommended by the policy committee. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion failed by voice vote.

The Chair ruled Larson's motion to adopt the language originally proposed in the draft was before the body. Spencer challenged the ruling of the Chair on the inadequacy of the information before the vote. The Chair called for a vote on the motion to override the Chair's ruling. The motion failed on a voice vote.

The motion was made to sustain the chair. It was seconded and the following roll call vote was recorded: AYES - Barrow, Bethel, Dillingham, Fairbanks, Fairbanks North Star Borough, Haines, Homer, City and Borough of Juneau, Kenai, Kenai Peninsula Borough, King Cove, Kodiak Island Borough, Kotzebue, Mataniska-Susitna Borough, Nome, Palmer, Petersburg, Sand Point, Saxman, Seldovia, Seward, Soldotna, Unalaska, Wasilla and Wrangell. NAYS - Municipality of Anchorage, Bristol Bay Borough, Cordova, Ketchikan, Ketchikan Gateway Borough, Kodiak, City and Borough of Sitka. The motion to sustain the chair passed 25 to 7.

Larson's motion to adopt the language originally proposed in the draft was again before the body. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

D. Solid Waste. Larson said the policy committee recommended the following: In the first sentence delete "75%" and insert "50%". He said the legislative committee concurred in the amendment and moved its adoption. It was seconded, the question was called and the motion passed by voice vote.

Larson said the policy committee also recommended the same paragraph be amended by adding, at the end of the paragraph, new language as follows: "The League also supports legislation which would allow the operational cost of solid waste disposal systems to receive general support in the form of state revenue sharing from the State of Alaska." He said the legislative committee did not concur in the new language and moved to adopt the language in the proposed draft as it reads with the first amendment. It was seconded.

Spencer moved to amend the motion by adopting the language as recommended by the policy committee. It was seconded. Discussion followed. The question was called on the motion to amend and the following roll call vote was recorded: AYES - Municipality of Anchorage, Barrow, Bethel, Bristol Bay Borough, Cordova, Kenai Peninsula Borough, Ketchikan, Ketchikan Gateway Borough, King Cove, Kodiak Island Borough, Sand Point, Saxman, Seldovia, Seward, City and Borough of Sitka, Soldotna, Unalaska, and Wasilla. NAYS - Fairbanks, Fairbanks North Star Borough, Haines, Homer, City and Borough of Juneau, Kenai, Kodiak, Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Nome, Palmer, Petersburg, and Wrangell. The motion passed, 18 to 12.

E. Fresh Water. Larson said the policy committee recommended deleting the entire section but that the legislative committee did not concur. Larson moved to adopt the proposed language in the draft. It was seconded. Spencer moved a substitute motion which would add the words "as long as public health is protected." at the end of the sentence. It was seconded, the question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

Larson said the policy committee recommended adding two new sections to read as follows: E-2. "The League endorses a comprehensive effort by the state and federal officials to develop alternative energy sources in Alaska, as well as innovative and appropriate technologies, including cogeneration. Specific emphasis should be placed on the uses of these in the provision of sewage treatment and water supplies and solid waste facilities in the state."

E-3. "The League supports legislation which would make available funds to municipal energy conservation programs as well a low cost home improvement loans which demonstrate energy conservation approaches."

Larson said the legislative committee concurred in this new language and moved the adoption of the two new sections. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed by voice vote.

The question was called on the main motion to adopt Part VI, as amended and the motion passed by voice vote.

PART VII, MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS - Larson moved to adopt Part VII as proposed. It was seconded.

No changes were offered to Part VII, A - Majority Elections; Part VII, B - Poll Hours; Part VII, C - Registration # 1 & 2; Part VII, D - Administration.

E. Disclosure Restrictions. The Chair said the policy committee recommended changing the last sentence to read as follows: "The League specifically supports legislation which would exempt from campaign disclosure and/or financial disclosure elected or appointed advisory boards as defined in 29.63.090." The legislative committee did not concur. It was moved and seconded to adopt the new language for the last sentence. Discussion followed. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

No changes were offered to Part VII, F - Voter Qualifications.

G - Qualifications for Elective Office, # 1. Dan Keck, Assembly Member, City and Borough of Sitka, said the policy committee recommended the following amendment: In the third line, after the word "to" and before the word "school" insert the word "municipal". He said the legislative committee concurred. Keck moved and it was seconded the adoption of the amendment. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

No changes were offered to Part VII, G-2.

H - Title 29 Revisions, # 1. Keck said the policy committee recommended the following amendment: In the third line after the word "last" and before the word "election" insert the word "regular". He said the legislative committee concurred. Keck moved the adoption and it was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed by voice vote.

H-2. The Chair said the policy committee recommended the following amendment: In the fourth line, delete the words "general or special" and insert the word "regular". He said the legislative committee concurred with the amendment. Nancy Kraning, Assistant Manager, City of Bethel, moved the adoption of the amendment. It was seconded, the question was called and the motion passed by voice vote.

H-3. Keck said the policy committee recommended the following amendment: In the second line, after the word "clarification" and before the word "flexibility" insert the word "simplification". He said the legislative committee concurred in the amendment. Keck moved its adoption. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed by voice vote.

The question was called on the main motion to adopt Part VII, as amended. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Bryan MacLean, Manager, City of Barrow, moved that the rules be suspended and that a resolution on coastal management be taken up at this time. Leo Rasmussen, Mayor, City of Nome, seconded. The question was called and there being no objection, it was so ordered.

MacLean moved, and it was seconded, the adoption of the following resolution:

"A RESOLUTION OF THE ALASKA MUNICIPAL LEAGUE LAND USE COMMITTEE PROPOSING A POSITION POLICY FOR THE ALASKA MUNICIPAL LEAGUE FOR INCLUSION IN THE 1980 POLICY STATEMENT SUBMITTED BY THE CITY OF BARROW

"WHEREAS the state of Alaska specifically provides statutory authority for municipalities to develop local coastal management programs, throughout the coastal areas of the state; and

"WHEREAS the Alaska Coastal Management Act specifically outlines the procedures for utilizing local existing coastal zone management regulatory authorities; and

"WHEREAS the Coastal Zone Management Policy specifically mandates that all coastal activities, including those of the state and federal governments, must conform to the provisions of local coastal management programs; and

"WHEREAS several municipalities have been diligently working to exercise their statutory authority by implementing well developed responsible and meaningful coastal zone management programs, within their respective jurisdictions; and

"WHEREAS certain percipitous state actions are being made or have been proposed in such a manner that is inconsistent with the development, implementation, and enforcement of local coastal zone management programs and such state actions are unduly frustrating and hindering these programs prior to their completion, development and implementation; and

"WHEREAS the local communities, within the jurisdiction of a coastal zone management district, have provided input at all levels of the development of their respective coastal zone management programs and depend upon such programs to insure that the economic development of their natural resources will take place in a manner that insures orderly and safe growth/development; and

"WHEREAS the development of some coastal zone management programs are being unduly threatened and potentially frustrated by the recently announced decisions on the proposed Beaufort Sea oil and gas lease sale; and

"WHEREAS there has been announced a proposed 5 year OCS lease schedule that will encompass other areas of Alaska's coastal regions; and

"WHEREAS coastal zone management programs for the areas affected by the proposed leasing schedule are currently being developed or yet to be developed;

"NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Municipal League Land Use Committee, that

"1. The State of Alaska's OCS Leasing and related activities affecting Alaska's coastal areas should be delayed until completion of local coastal management district or proposed district specifically requests delaying of such action prior to the completion of their coastal zone management programs.

"2. The recently announced federal and state decision regarding the Beaufort Sea oil and gas lease sale is not consistent with the state coastal zone management policy mandate and should be delayed until such time as the coastal zone management program submitted for that region is fully approved.

"3. The recently announced proposed 5 year lease schedule should be deferred until such time as the coastal zone management programs, for areas having jurisdiction in the proposed lease areas, have been fully approved, if so requested by the local municipality exercising statutory authority within the proposed areas.

"4. The above provisions be presented to the Board of Directors of the Alaska Municipal League at their annual meeting to be held on November 2nd with the request that the above provision be considered for inclusion in the 1980 general policy statement for the Alaska Municipal League."

Discussion followed. Ekstedt moved the motion be tabled. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

PART VIII, LOCAL GOVERNMENT POWERS - Carol Maser, Assembly Member, Municipality of Anchorage, moved to adopt Part VIII as proposed. It was seconded.

No changes were offered to Part VIII, A - Local Autonomy # 1.

Part VIII, A-2. Maser said the policy committee recommended deleting paragraph 2 since it said essentially the same as paragraph 1. She said the legislative committee concurred. Maser moved to delete A-2. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed by voice vote.

(Note: with the deletion, the following paragraphs will be renumbered in the policy statement.)

No changes were offered to Part VIII. A-3, 4, & 5.

Part VIII, A-6. Maser said the policy committee recommended the following amendment: In the first line, after the word "supports" and before the word "legislation" add the words "the community council concept and also supports". She said the legislative committee concurred with this amendment and moved its adoption. It was seconded,

the question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

No changes were offered to Part VIII, B - Public Employee Labor Relations # 1.

Part VIII, B-2. Maser said the policy committee recommended the following amendment: In the third line, delete the word "therefore"; in the fourth line after the word "from" and before the word "determining" insert the words "having complete control of". She said the legislative committee concurred in the amendment and moved its adoption. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed by voice vote.

Part VIII, C - Title 29 Revision. Maser said the policy committee recommended that the legislative committee revise or delete the entire paragraph. She said the legislative committee recommended deletion and so moved. It was seconded. The question was called on the motion to delete section C, and it passed on a voice vote.

(Note: With this deletion, the following sections will be renumbered in the policy statement.)

Part VIII, D - Third Class Borough. Maser said the policy committee recommended adoption of new language as follows: "The League believes that a third class borough, as currently defined in statute, does not meet standards for a general purpose local government. The League supports elimination of third class boroughs." She said the legislative committee did not concur with the new language. Discussion followed. No motion to adopt the new language was offered, therefore the proposed language in the policy draft will remain.

Part VIII, E - Local Government Study. Maser said the policy committee recommended adopting the following new language: "The League strongly endorses and supports legislative action that would create and adequately fund a committee which would be charged with investigating current and future state/local government relations and finance in Alaska and the current and future status of local government structures, specifically including the unorganized borough. The committee shall be comprised of state administrative officials dealing with local governments, local government officials, and residents from large and small cities and boroughs, specifically including the unorganized borough, and legislators. The committee shall prepare a report on its findings, including proposed legislation and constitutional changes, and shall submit the report to the state legislature and all local governments." Maser said the legislative committee concurred with the new language and moved its adoption. It was seconded, the question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

No changes were offered to Part VIII, F - Public Officials, # 1 & 2.

The question was called on the main motion to adopt Part VIII, as amended and the motion passed on a voice vote.

PART IX, RESOURCES - Ted Lehne, Council Member, City of Fairbanks, moved to adopt Part IX as proposed. It was seconded.

No changes were offered to Part IX, A - Non-Renewable # 1.

Part IX, A-2, Lehne said the policy committee recommended the following amendment: In the first line, strike the word "also" and after the word "encourages" and before the word "state" add the word "a". He said the legislative committee concurred with this amendment and moved its adoption. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

No changes were offered to Part IX, A-3 & 4.

Lehne said the policy committee recommended the following new section (5). "The League supports legislation which establishes a clear mineral policy to encourage resource development; in-state ore concentration and/or reduction; and protects mineral land from imposed incompatible land uses." Lehne said the legislative committee concurred in this new language and moved its adoption. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

Part IX, B - Renewable, # 1. Lehne said the policy committee recommended the proposed language in the draft be replaced with the following: "The League requests that the executive and legislative branches of state government establish a policy requiring the development and processing of renewable resources in Alaska and through appropriate inventory and management practices make all renewable resources available for development and processing on a sustained yield basis." He said the legislative committee concurred with the new language and moved its adoption. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

Part IX, B-2. Lehne said the policy committee recommended the following: "The League supports legislation which would establish and continue existing long range research and development in high value finfish and shellfish aquaculture and enhancement and for the development of an aggressive bottom-fish program." He said the legislative committee recommended the following: "The League supports legislation which would establish and continue long range research and development in fishery aquaculture and enhancement for the development of an aggressive bottomfish program." Lehne moved the adoption of the policy committee language. It was seconded. Perry Lovett, Manager, City of Cordova, moved to amend by substituting the following: "The League supports legislation which would establish and continue existing long range research and development in high value finfish and shellfish aquaculture and enhancement." It was seconded. Discussion followed. The question was called and the motion to amend failed on a voice vote.

The question was called on Lehne's motion to adopt the language recommended by the policy committee. The motion passed on a voice vote.

No changes were offered to Part IX, B-3.

Lehne said the policy committee recommended the adoption of a new paragraph (4) to be written by the legislative committee which would be composite of the bottomfish portion of paragraph two and a marketing statement directed to the bottomfish similar to paragraph three.

The legislative committee recommendation is as follows: "The League supports legislation for the development of an aggressive bottomfish program including substantially accelerated marketing studies and market development for Alaskan bottomfish products."

Lehne moved the adoption of the legislative committee language. It was seconded. Discussion followed. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

Lehne said the policy committee proposed two new policy statements on hydroelectric power. He said they had adopted the Southeast Conference resolution for the purpose of supplying intent for the legislative committee language. The two policy statements would address (1) policy on hydroelectric development (Resources) and (2) policy on funding (Taxation and Finance). A resolution similar to the Southeast Conference resolution was also recommended for adoption.

Lehne moved the adoption of a new paragraph (5) to read as follows: "The League requests the legislature and administration to adopt by statute and for regulation the policy that hydroelectric energy is one of the most advantageous and acceptable methods of generating renewable energy for use by the many citizens of Alaska." It was seconded, the question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

Lehne moved the adoption of a new paragraph to be included in Part I, Taxation and Finance, as follows: "The League supports uninterrupted continuance of loan funds from the state for feasible hydroelectric projects within the state and further supports that long term, low interest loans for these projects be funded from non-renewable resource revenues such as those presently being generated by oil and gas receipts." Lehne moved adoption. It was seconded, the question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

Lehne said the policy committee recommended a new paragraph (6) to read as follows: "The League recommends legislation establishing a state energy policy which addresses both rural and urban situations and provides incentives to development of energy sources specific to community needs giving preference to renewable energy sources and/or new technologies." He moved to adopt. It was seconded, the question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

Lehne said the policy committee recommended a new paragraph (7) to read as follows: "The League recognizes sport fishing as an important renewable resource which has economic as well as recreational value, and should be protected and developed." He moved its adoption and it was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

No changes were offered to Part IX, C - Human Resources, # 1.

Lehne said the policy committee recommended a new paragraph (2) to read as follows: "The League encourages the State Legislature and Administration to use both the human resources and technical resources of institutions of higher learning within the state whenever possible." He moved the adoption of the policy committee language. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

The question was called on the main motion to adopt Part IX as amended. the motion passed on a voice vote.

PART X, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Judi Slajer, Manager, Ketchikan Gateway Borough, moved to adopt Part X as proposed. It was seconded.

Part X-1. Slajer said the policy committee recommended the following amendment. In the next to the last line, after the word "assistance" add the words "through grants, low cost loans, and direct services". It was seconded. Slajer said the legislative committee did not concur with the amendment. The question was called and the following roll call vote was recorded. AYES - Bethel, Cordova, Ketchikan, Ketchikan Gateway Borough, King Cove, Kotzebue, Sand Point, and Unalaska. NAYS - Municipality of Anchorage, Fairbanks, Fairbanks North Star Borough, Haines Borough, City and Borough of Juneau, Kenai, Kenai Peninsula Borough, Kodiak, Kodiak Island Borough, Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Nome, Palmer, Petersburg, Saxman, Seldovia, City and Borough of Sitka, Soldotna, and Wrangell. The motion failed 8 to 18.

Part X-2. Slajer said the policy committee recommended amending the proposed paragraph so it would read as follows: "The League supports and urges the legislature to establish and provide immediate funding of programs that will create, assist and develop job related industries, businesses and facilities (roads, ports, harbors, power, etc.)." She said the legislative committee recommended the following: In the last line, after the word "facilities" delete the material and add "that are compatible with the desire of local government". Slajer moved the adoption of the policy committee amendment. It was seconded. Slajer moved to amend by adopting the legislative committee amendment. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion to amend passed on a voice vote. The Chair ruled that the vote on the amendment carried the main motion.

Part X-3. Slajer said the policy committee recommended adding the words "that is compatible with the desires of local government." at the end of the sentence. She said the legislative committee recommended deletion of the entire paragraph. Slajer moved the additional wording by the policy committee. It was seconded. Slajer moved to amend the motion by adopting the legislative committee recommendation to delete the entire paragraph. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed by voice vote. The Chair ruled that the vote on the amendment carried the main motion.

(Note: With this deletion, the following sections will be renumbered in the policy statement.)

Part X-4. Slajer said the policy committee recommended new wording as follows: "The League supports legislation that will aid in the exploration, development and in-state processing of Alaska's raw materials and vast mineral wealth and urges the state to provide state tax incentives to those industries engaging in in-state primary and secondary processing of Alaska's resources." She said the legislative committee concurred. Slajer moved the adoption of the policy committee recommendation. It was seconded, the question was called and the motion passed with no objection.

Part X-5. Slajer said the policy committee recommended the following language: "The League supports immediate establishment of, and funding of, grants for local economic development programs." She said the legislative committee recommended the following: "The League supports legislation to establish state programs to financially assist communities with local economic development programs." Slajer moved the adoption of the wording of the policy committee. It was seconded. Slajer moved to amend by adopting the legislative committee wording. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote. The Chair ruled the vote on the amendment carried the main motion.

Part X-6. Slajer said the policy committee recommended adoption of the following: "The League supports a reduction of state regulation and requirement of redundant information reports (establishment of one information report from all agencies) for small businesses and local governments." She said the legislative committee recommended the following: Delete the words "(establishment of one information report from all agencies)". Slajer moved the adoption of the policy committee recommendation. It was seconded. Slajer moved to amend by adopting the legislative committee amendment. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote. The Chair ruled the vote on the amendment carried the main motion.

Part X-7. Slajer reminded the body that the new language proposed by the policy committee had been previously adopted under Part IV, Land Use.

Slajer said the policy committee recommended adding another paragraph as follows: "The League supports the appropriation of leveraging funds (reserve funds and long term subordinate loans) to support the construction of ports, hydroelectric and other capital projects." She said the legislative committee did not concur as they felt this was included in paragraph 2. Slajer moved the adoption of the policy committee recommendation. It was seconded, the question was called and the motion failed on a voice vote.

Slajer said the policy committee had requested that the legislative committee draft a statement on the gas resolution. She said the legislative committee felt this was already covered in paragraph two.

The question was called on the main motion to adopt Part X as amended. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Larson moved the League endorse the opposition of the elimination of state income tax and encourage the Governor and the Legislature to adopt a system of tax credits and rebates that recognizes Alaskan residents, and asked that this be included in the policy statement. It was seconded. Discussion followed. Gilman pointed out that many of the delegates had already left the auditorium and questioned whether or not it would be proper to consider this motion now. Larson withdrew his motion.

The main motion to adopt the 1980 policy statement as amended was now before the body. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

The Chair stated that the consideration of resolutions was proper at this time.

RESOLUTION # 1 - "A resolution of the Alaska Municipal League Urging the Governor and Legislature to use Surplus Royalty Oil Revenues to Finance Hydroelectric Power Projects Through Long Term, Low Interest Loans", (see attached). Larson moved its adoption, it was seconded, the question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

RESOLUTION # 2 - "Endorsement of HR 5662 and S 1680, Bills To Divest The Federal Government of the Public Domain and Vest Title Therein with the Respective States", (see attached). Larson moved its adoption. It was seconded. Lehne moved to amend by striking the last resolve. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion to amend passed with no objection. The question was called on the motion to adopt as amended and the motion passed on a voice vote.

RESOLUTION # 3 - "A Resolution of the Alaska Municipal League Regarding Pupil Transportation Reimbursement", (see attached). Larson moved its adoption and it was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

RESOLUTION # 4 - "A Resolution Concerning the Alaska Lands Bill", (see attached). Larson moved its adoption. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

RESOLUTION # 5 - "A Resolution Encouraging State Financial Participation in the Prudhoe Bay Natural Gas Project", (see attached). Larson moved its adoption. It was seconded, the question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

RESOLUTION # 6 - "A Resolution of the Alaska Municipal League Dealing With Land Selection and Grant Regulation", (see attached). Larson moved its adoption. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

RESOLUTION # 7 - "A Resolution for Summons to Action for Reform of the Juvenile Justice System", (see attached). Larson moved its adoption. It was seconded, the question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

Larson moved that a resolution be drafted based on the policy item on the opposition of the elimination of the state income tax in favor of a tax credit system and that the resolution be presented to the Board of Directors for their consideration. It was seconded. Discussion followed. Delahay moved to table. It was seconded, the question was called and the motion failed on a voice vote. The motion to draft a resolution on the opposition of the elimination of the state income tax for presentation to the board was properly before the body. The question was called and the motion passed on a voice vote.

Larson presented the following resolutions : (1) Resolution on Full Funding of Pupil Transportation; (2) Resolution on 100% State Funding of Capital Projects; (3) Resolution on Taxing Authorities; (4) Resolution on Alaska Coastal Council; (5) Resolution on Beaufort Sea Sale. He moved the consideration of these five resolutions be tabled. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Larson moved the adoption of a resolution of thanks and appreciation to the City and Borough of Sitka for hosting the 1979 conference. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed unanimously.

Larson moved the delegates concur with a resolution from the chairman and members of the legislative committee in appreciation to the League officers, director and staff for their work during the past year. It was seconded, the question was called and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Larson moved the adoption of a resolution of thanks and appreciation to the staff of the Sheffield House, The Shee Atika Lodge, The Potlatch Hotel, and the Centennial Building for their cooperation during the 1979 conference, and to the Older Ones for furnishing coffee and tea to the delegates in the Centennial Building. It was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

President Younker announced the new officers for the Alaska Association of Municipal Clerks as follows: President, Evelyn Thompson, Matanuska-Susitna Borough; Vice-President, Georgiana Booth, Ketchikan Gateway Borough; Secretary/Treasurer, Micki Miller, Kodiak Island Borough.

New officers for the Alaska Municipal Management Association are as follows: President, Judi Slajer, Ketchikan Gateway Borough; Vice-President, Mark Lewis, City of Valdez; 2nd Vice President, Clair Harmony, City of Kodiak; Secretary/Treasurer, Norm Levesque, Matanuska-Susitna Borough.

New officers for the Planning Association are as follows: President, Art Hartenberger, City and Borough of Juneau; Vice President, Mike Schmidt, City of Valdez; Secretary/Treasurer, Jim Weideman, State Department of Commerce and Economic Development.

New officers for the Alaska Municipal Attorneys Association are as follows: President, Lee Sharp, City and Borough of Juneau; Vice President, Jim Nordale, Fairbanks North Star Borough; Secretary/Treasurer, Allan Tesche, Matanuska-Susitna Borough.

The Conference of Mayors present officers will remain in office until their meeting in January.

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE - President Younker announced that with the adoption of the amendments to the constitution and by-laws previously in the meeting, the first vice president will automatically move to the office of president; the second vice president will automatically move to the office of first vice president; and the offices of second vice president, two one-year directors, and four two-year directors will be filled. Gilman and Lehne are hold-over directors with one more year to serve on their terms. President Younker asked for a report from the nominations and elections committee, which he had appointed at the opening session and consisted of Carroll Fader (Chairman); Dave Rose, Anchorage; John Carlson, Fairbanks North Star Borough; Bill Overstreet, City and Borough of Juneau; and Rocky Gutierrez, City and Borough of Sitka.

Fader announced the following: For the term of second vice president the committee recommended Ted Lehne, Council Member, City of Fairbanks. For the two unexpired one-year terms the committee recommended Leo Rasmussen, Mayor, City of Nome, and Chuck Freeman, Assembly Member, Ketchikan Gateway Borough. For the four two-year terms the committee recommended Jack Foster, Mayor, City of Sand Point, Harry Aase, Assembly Member, City and Borough of Juneau, Jo Ann Elson, Assembly Member, Kenai Peninsula Borough, Jim Ekstedt, Council/Assembly Member, City of Palmer/Matanuska-Susitna Borough.

Yunker asked for nominations from the floor for the office of second vice president. It was moved and seconded that the nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast for Ted Lehne. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Yunker asked for nominations from the floor for the two one-year terms. It was moved and seconded the nominations close and unanimous ballots be cast for Rasmussen and Freeman. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Yunker asked for nominations from the floor for the four two-year terms. It was moved and seconded to nominate Betty Wallin, Mayor, Kodiak Island Borough. Yunker announced that there would be a written ballot with each member voting for four of the five candidates nominated. The ballots were counted and Yunker announced the four who received the most votes were Foster, Aase, Elson and Ekstedt.

Yunker congratulated the new officers on their election.

Yunker announced the new officers of the Alaska Association of Assessing Officers: President, Mike Worley, Ketchikan Gateway Borough; Vice President, Elizabeth Barry, Matanuska-Susitna Borough; Secretary/Treasurer, Grace Moore, City of Ketchikan.

Yunker turned the gavel over to the new President, Dave Walsh, who made the following remarks:

"Thank you all for electing me your new president. I appreciate your trust and confidence and will do my best to validate your trust and confirm your confidence.

"I want to give special thanks to Phil Yunker for the fine job he has done this past year. He stepped in as president at a time when the League was having financial problems, facing the imposition of a dues increase upon its members, personnel problems and an uncertain future. Thanks to Phil's guidance and a common effort on the part of the board and the staff, the League is no longer in financial difficulty, it is no longer necessary to increase the dues, the League office has at its helm someone worthy of trust and respect, and the League's future has never looked brighter. It was his quality of leadership and strength of dedication that turned the League around. It is for this measure of devotion that he deserves our thanks now and for generations to come.

"Let us talk now about the future of the League and the focus necessary for the coming year. Two issues which need immediate attention are energy and motor vessel taxation. I intend to appoint committees today whose duties will be to study the issues and present possible solutions for the problems involved. •

"The League's board and staff will continue their effort to increase communication among its member municipalities. None of us is strong, rich, or big enough to survive alone in hard economic times, but we can and will survive by a union of our common interests.

"This next session of the Legislature will see legislation considered that the municipalities desperately need. Our goal is adequate state assistance but without unneeded and unwanted interference with local government options. We must see to it that the assistance is provided and the interference avoided. Toward that end, the board and the legislative committee will set legislative priorities; now, at our December meeting and during the legislative session.

"As the League enters its 30th year and we enter a new decade, it seems appropriate to make a few general philosophical comments on our past and future. We are faced with greater challenge and great opportunity.

"As we enter the 80's the eyes of all Alaska will be on us and our governments. In every way, we must be, in the words of Sir Thomas Moore, as a city built on a hill; constructed by those aware of their grave trust and their great responsibility.

"The history of the League has been one of unparalleled success in reducing the size and breadth and depth of our state to one unified voice of local communities, united for our common good, for our common heritage, for our common future. We must continue our progress, not being blind to our differences but by directing our attention to our common interests and to the means by which those differences can be resolved. What we have all seen this last week, particularly in the development of the policy statement, shows a common unity, a common interest that is beyond regionalism. I am convinced that when Alaskans say they love Alaska, they mean not only the hills of Fairbanks, the forests of Southeastern, the beauty of the bush or the commerce of South Central. They mean they love the inner air, the inner light in which the Alaskan spirit lives and in which a person can draw a breath of life and of self respect. That is what brings us here today and that is the tone to which we should dedicate ourselves during the coming year. We local officials at this conference can be the architects of Alaska. In our hands rests the future. By our labors at this conference and in the coming years we shall know if our municipalities and our state will meet the challenges of the 80's and whether we can hand down undiminished to the next generation of Alaskans, as was handed down to us by those who went before, the natural wealth and beauty which is ours and the means to develop the kind of life we all came here to seek.

"When, at some future date, the high court of history sits in judgement on each of us, recording, whether in our brief span of service, we fulfilled our responsibilities to our communities, our success or our failure in whatever office we hold and in whatever programs we began, we will be measured by the answers to four questions posed to American people thirty years ago by Harry Truman, when the League was being born: Did we have courage?; did we have judgement?; did we have integrity?; and did we have dedication?.

"For our state to prosper, we must answer these questions with a resounding "yes". We can meet the challenges to the 80's, and we will fulfill our state's promise and our people's heritage.

"We will not finish in 1980, nor will we finish in 1985, nor in 1990, nor perhaps even in our lifetime. But let us begin today."

Walsh made the following committee appointments:

Interim Energy Committee: Chair, John Spencer, Municipality of Anchorage; Sterling Gallagher, John Nuveen and Company; Jim Wakefield, City and Borough of Juneau; and Dave Hutchens, Chairman of AREC. He added that he would like to appoint someone to the committee from the Anchorage and Fairbanks Assemblies and someone with a financial background and would announce those names at a later date.

1980 Legislative Committee: Chair, Ron Larson, Matanuska-Susitna Borough; Paul Baer, Municipality of Anchorage; Stuart Bowdoin, Bristol Bay Borough; Ruth Burnett, City of Fairbanks; Sam Coxson, City of Whittier; Al Cronk, Fairbanks North Star Borough; Bill Curtis, City of Palmer; Ben Delahay, City of Kenai; Marilyn Demmick, Kenai Peninsula Borough; Mitch Gravo, Municipality of Anchorage; Lyman Hoffman, City of Bethel; Dave Jensen, Cities of Sand Point and King Cove; Nancy Kraning, City of Bethel; Dan Keck, City and Borough of Sitka; Carol Lechner, City of Kodiak; Perry Lovett, City of Cordova; Carol Maser, Municipality of Anchorage; Bryan MacLean, City of Barrow; Gene Moore, City of Kotzebue; Jim Nordale, Fairbanks North Star Borough; Ernie Polley, City and Borough of Juneau; Joyce Rasler, City of Wrangell; Mike Ribar, Fairbanks North Star Borough; Lidia Selkregg, Municipality of Anchorage; Lee Sharp, City and Borough of Juneau; Barbara Shaffer, City of Nome; Judi Slajer, Ketchikan Gateway Borough; John Solomon, City of Fort Yukon; Bob Sundberg, City of Fairbanks; Bill Walker, City of Valdez; Betty Wallin, Kodiak Island Borough; and Ed Zastrow, Ketchikan Gateway Borough.

Water Vessel Taxation Committee: Perry Lovett and Bill Hall, City of Cordova; and Mike Worley and Ed Zastrow, Ketchikan Gateway Borough.

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business to come before the body, Leo Rasmussen moved the annual business meeting be adjourned. It was seconded. There being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 5:20 pm.