

## Mekoryuk Activity Report

### General Information:

In November, Mona David called Paul Chimiugak, RUBA staff in the Bethel office, and said that Jobe Weston, City Administrator, has resigned because of personal reasons.

In December, Dale Smith Sr. was hired to replace Jobe Weston as the City Administrator. Dale Smith Sr., on one of his trips to Anchorage went to the DCED office for information on the types of assistance they will need.

### Observations and Recommendations:

Finances — The Bookkeeper indicated that they are having difficulty with finances and she thinks that this is the normal phase of the year. The City must enhance revenue or cut costs to balance their budget.

Accounting Systems — The Bookkeeper has called Paul and said that she was having problems with the accounts balancing to all funds in the City computer. However at the time of this report she had resolved the problems. She had made entry error and she has corrected the problem.

Tax Problems — They owe over \$900 to IRS this quarter and they have around \$16,000 payable to IRS from the 1991-1996 years. An IRS agent was to have set up a payment schedule, but as of 12/31/99 they had not received a call from the agent. The city is struggling to find money to pay what is due the IRS.

Personnel System — Jobe Weston, City Administrator, resigned and Dale Smith has taken over the position.

Organizational Management — The City has proposed a merging of the City and Tribe. However, both organizations are having financial problems and the merge is delayed until problems are resolved.

Leadership/Governance — The new Council members are Lillian Shavings, George Williams Sr., Moses Whitman Sr., Solomon Williams and Chester Wesley. The Mayor is Solomon Williams, Vice-Mayor is vacant, the Secretary is Lillian Shavings and the Treasurer is Moses Whitman Sr., and the rest are members. The City employees were glad to have Solomon as the Mayor, stating that he will listen to them and understand the problems the City has and try to make corrections if needed.

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Operation of Utility —The Utility has 91 Flush Tank & Haul System units to date and they are experiencing no problems financially in this enterprise.

**Ranking**

1 = Inadequate

4 = Adequate to meet minimum requirements

7 = Exceeds requirements

<b>Category</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>
Finances		<b>X</b>	
Accounting Systems		<b>X</b>	
Tax Problems		<b>X</b>	
Personnel System		<b>X</b>	
Organizational Management		<b>X</b>	
Leadership/Governance		<b>X</b>	
Operation of Utility			<b>X</b>