

LOCAL NEWS

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their proposal if they believed it had any merit. He said, "The Tribal Council has missed their mandate in putting the community first." It was also noted by Jock that the Tribal Council has secured the services of Northeastern General Contractors to complete the water and sewage line currently being put in place on St. Regis Road. Northeastern is associated with the Wing Group.

In a memorandum to Ed Maurer, Operational Management Consultant for R.W. Beck, Jim Booth, also of R.W. Beck, outlines a call from the Wing Group who wanted to secure the services of R.W. Beck to work together in assisting communities interested in forming their own municipal electric utilities. The memorandum from Booth states the Wing Group

"will assist communities in the formation of municipal utilities for a profit." Booths memorandum outlines a telephone conversation he had with Mr. Whitfield Russell, of Whitfield Russell Associates, Consultants to the Wing Group. Russell told Booth "Wings proposal to communities is to take on all the up-front risk, and cover all start-up costs in return for a profit if the utility takeover proves successful. They propose to recover their up-front costs by taking one-half of the resulting electricity cost savings for a period of years until such time as the original Wing Group funding has been repaid. As a profit on their 'venture capital' risk they would seek some smaller percentage of the electricity cost savings for all future years of an agreed upon terms." Russell indicated the Wing Group needs a con-

sulting firm to do the feasibility analysis to evaluate the economics for a community to go forward under such an arrangement. Randy Jock told the group when the Tribal Chiefs were informed the Wing Group was going behind their backs to secure R.W. Becks services they stated "they didn't want to deal with the Wing Group." However, something has changed their minds.

"We don't want to steal anybody's thunder. All we want to do is get reduced electric rates for the community," said Jock. It was suggested that the community utility proposal should be on the agenda at the next Tribal Council meeting. Jock said he telephoned the Tribal Secretary and she said she would put it on the agenda. He added, "it's almost like you have to embarrass the Tribal Chiefs into supporting

this project. Then when you do, you look like the bad guys. Either way, the Tribal Council needs to take a leadership role for the community."

The Akwesasne Power Authority held a third public meeting on Wednesday, May 3rd at the Akwesasne Housing Authority Boardroom. They are also asking for community support at the May 6th Tribal Council meeting.

Akwesasne Power Authority Project Proposal Meeting

There will be a Public Meeting with representatives of the Akwesasne Power Authority Project on Wednesday, May 10, 1995 at 7:00 pm at the New Longhouse.

Everyone is welcome to attend this important meeting.

NIAWEN!

Hogansburg-Akwesasne Volunteer Fire Department April Report

60 Calls for the Month of April.

- 1-structure fire
- 2-garage fires
- 5-vehicle accidents (1-required Jaws of Life)
- 1-garbage fire
- 1-dryer fire
- 31-grass & brush fires
- 1-search for missing child
- 1-furnace malfunction
- 1-flooded cellar
- 1-power line arching
- 5-no-duty calls
- 4-false alarms
- 1-road wash down
- 2-mutual aid to Massena
- 1-mutual aid to Dickenson
- 1-mutual aid to Helena
- 1-mutual aid to Ft. Covington

TOTAL CALLS TO DATE: 132

April 28, 1995 - Report

Akwesasne Mohawk Police are investigating a Highjacking of a 1992 Chevy Lumina passenger van, which was reported on April 28th, 1995. The operator of the vehicle, reported that his vehicle was rammed and he was stopped at gunpoint while travelling east on Cornwall Island. The victim, reported that men wearing masks had ordered him out of the van and then took off with his vehicle.

The victim, then report-

ed that his vehicle had been dumped in the St. Lawrence River on the east end of Cornwall Island. Police attended the scene and the vehicle was located submerged at the east end of Cornwall Island about 30 feet from the shoreline. The victim was not harmed. The vehicle was pulled from the river and police are continuing their investigation on this occurrence.

Police are not releasing any further details on this occurrence.

Sobriety Checks

Parents and Citizens of the Akwesasne Community, the Akwesasne Mohawk Police Service and neighboring police services will be attending the local Cornwall area high schools to speak with graduating students about the dangers of Drinking and Driving.

Several proms and graduations are quickly approaching. Some high school graduates celebrate this festive occasion by attending parties. The police are concerned for the safety of these individuals who choose to celebrate by consuming alcoholic beverages. The Akwesasne Mohawk Police Service will be conducting Sobriety checks on May 12-13th and will again conduct checks for the long Memorial Day weekend, May 26-29th, 1995.

The Akwesasne Mohawk Police are encouraging all graduates to use a designated driver during their graduation celebrations.

If you are a concerned parent or citizen of Akwesasne and would like further information on the designated driver program, feel free to contact Cheryl Jacobs, Community Service Officer at the Akwesasne Mohawk Police Service, 575-2000.

Operation Lookout

If You See an Impaired Driver:

TELEPHONE

and provide the police with the Following:

1. State you are following or have seen an impaired driver.
2. State your location.
3. Vehicle description: *License number *Color *Make and Model.
4. Direction of Travel.
5. Description of driver.

Akwesasne Mohawk Police 613-575-2000

Mobile Telephones: Cantel call #677

Bell Cellular Call #677

LET'S PUT THE BRAKES TO DRINKING AND DRIVING!

Sponsored by: Anti-Drinking and Driving Committee of the Mayor's Task Force for Healthy Lifestyles (Cornwall)

*Be A
Designated
Driver*