

Yakutat Alaska Fishermen's Alliance

Jan. 20, 2011

INTRODUCTION as the President of the Yakutat Alaska Fishermen's Alliance - Committee

INTRODUCTION of the Yakutat Alaska Fishermen's Alliance (their goal & purpose)
(in Bylaws)

BUSINESS: Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws of the YAFA, Business License (\$25), EIN Federal Tax
Number (\$150)

Membership, True North Checking Account

NOTES FROM 1st Meeting January 20th, 2011 @ 7 p.m.

The YAFA would like to have a collective voice for the local Yakutat fishermen to be able to get things done and not have a non-fisherman or business ie: fishing lodges, and powers that be vote on fishing issues for them. To become a strong entity with voting rights and to be recognized as a committee of fishermen that can manage their fisheries.

2. Salmon Tax
3. Spring Troll/power troll
4. GN salmon
5. Crab & shrimp
6. Longline
7. Suggest to the Fish & Game on what we would like to see as far as the fisheries are managed.
8. Get fishermen from each of the Yakutat area rivers: Tsiu (group), Yathze Nelson & Pavlik, Manby Nelson, Spoon River Pavlik, Sudden Nelson & Pavlik, Situk (group), Alsek Royda Bresmen, Dry Bay Bob Miller, etc. that can represent the rivers. That can figure out how to enhance & protect the wild fish runs.
9. Monitor Sport Fishing and Spawning beds on the Situk
10. Forest Service Trail going right into the Spawning Beds
11. Steel head eating our smolt (?)
12. Salmon Management plan = rewrite
13. Persue Grants, etc. (Planning)

THAT WE ALL CAN FORM THIS COMMITTEE FOR THE BETTER OF OUR FISHERMEN IN YAKUTAT, LIKE OTHER COMMUNITIES.

Elections will be held on April 1, 2011.

Please note that all of this has to be posted for at least one month prior to the Elections. so everyone needs to be appointed by the end of February to make it legal and I am not sure that we are really for that yet! ~ 2 weeks is not enough time to get the interest that we are hoping for...I think that we all should not rush this until we have more of our local fishermen signed up. (only my suggestion)

Casey Haven's offered YAFA space at the YKI office.