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# Report

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## **Borough Insurance**

Great news! We have been working with our insurance company to find the best rate and coverage for FY'06. Next year's insurance cost will decrease by nearly \$60,000.00!

## **Ferry System Update**

I attended a special meeting of the Marine Transportation Advisory Board to discuss the upcoming schedule and vessels to be used this Fall, Winter & Spring. The AMHS is proposing to once again give Haines (& nearly everywhere else) a high level of service. There are some concerns that the proposal will be too costly. More details will be available and discussed July 5<sup>th</sup>.

## **Critical Care Inc.**

Attached is an application for membership for Critical Care Inc. It is not intended to be an endorsement, but is an example of a model that could be used in Haines for a billable ambulance service. Critical Care charges the insurance company but does not pass along any charges to anyone who is a "member". Typical charge for membership is \$50.

## **Fire Hall Cleanup**

Work progressed this past week with final excavation work done to remove contaminated soil from around the Port Chilkoot fire hall. It seemed apparent that what was cleaned up was an accumulation that included spills from years gone by. Ten dump truck loads of soil was removed and added to the 9 already on site. Minor work is still left to do around the building and then a final recommendation will be developed for disposing of and/or remediation of the contaminated soil.

## **Tourism Affiliations**

The question came up last meeting about the tourism advisory board ordinance and its impact on the tourism department's relationships with other industry groups. There will be no effect as all memberships have been in the name of the Haines Borough's convention & visitor's bureau which still exists.

## **Misc. Projects**

Other projects being worked on recently include harbor projects, school construction project (inc. bond bank application), contracts for Excursion Inlet surveying and borough assessment work and department head employee evaluations. I have also attended meetings with the assembly finance committee, Oversight & Planning committee, union negotiations and a seemingly endless stream of folks walking into the office. Additionally, I attended a Southeast Conference board meeting while in Juneau and the annual meeting of the Island Passage Electric Cooperative at Klukwan.