

Introduced by:	Mayor
Date:	09/04/01
Hearing:	10/09/01
Action:	Enacted
Vote:	8 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
ORDINANCE 2001-19-13**

**AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING \$750,000 IN FEDERAL
FUNDS FOR PURPOSES OF IMPROVING COMMUNICATION CAPABILITIES
DURING EMERGENCY RESPONSES**

WHEREAS, the Borough Office of Emergency Management has identified a critical need for improved communications capabilities during emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the recent fires at Kenai Lake and Mystery Creek highlighted the immediate need for better communications during incident responses; and

WHEREAS, a congressional appropriation of \$750,000 has been made available in the form of a direct lump sum payment to the Kenai Peninsula Borough Spruce Bark Beetle Program for emergency response; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Emergency Management has \$310,150 available in its current budget, approved for communications upgrades under a 3-year program costing approximately \$827,000; and

WHEREAS, appropriation of the federal funds will allow the communications upgrades to occur on an earlier time schedule; and

WHEREAS, since the purpose of the funds are for emergency response, the Office of Emergency Management will be primarily responsible for expenditures made under the grant, with concurrence by the Planning Department;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

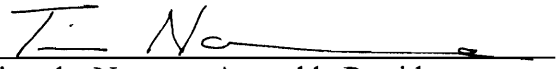
SECTION 1. That the Mayor is authorized to accept the direct lump sum appropriation in the amount of \$750,000 from the U.S. Forest Service for emergency response.

SECTION 2. That these grant funds are appropriated to Account No. 262.21320.02EMR.49999.

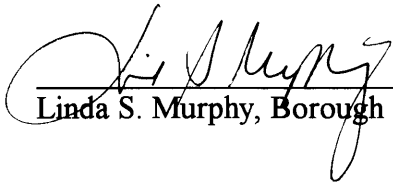
SECTION 3. That the mayor is authorized to execute all documents deemed necessary to complete this project in accordance with this ordinance and applicable law.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its enactment.

**ENACTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 9TH
DAY OF OCTOBER, 2001.**


Timothy Navarre, Assembly President

ATTEST:


Linda S. Murphy, Borough Clerk

