Introduced by: Mayor
Date: 01/08/08
Shortened Hearing: 01/22/08
Action: Enacted
Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ORDINANCE 2007-19-35

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING A GRANT FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$59,050 FOR THE BEAR CREEK FIRE SERVICE AREA FOR FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT

- WHEREAS, the Bear Creek Fire Service Area ("BCFSA") is committed to the health and safety of its firefighters and intends to meet this goal by providing their personnel with turnout gear compliant with NFPA standards; and
- WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security ("USDHS") has an Assistance to Firefighters Grant program to help rural fire departments with funding for operations and safety; and
- WHEREAS, BCFSA applied for funding to purchase 22 sets of turnout gear that is compliant with NFPA and OSHA standards, plus the purchase of turnout gear racks and a washer-extractor to keep the gear in operational readiness; and
- WHEREAS, BCFSA has received notice of a grant award in the amount of \$59,050 for purchase of personal protective equipment in addition to the washer-extractor and turnout gear racks; and
- WHEREAS, the grant program requires that (1) grantees share in the cost of the project, (2) grantees serving jurisdictions of 50,000 or fewer residents provide a non-federal cost share of 5 percent of the total project cost, and (3) the cost share must be in cash; and
- WHEREAS, matching funds in the amount of \$3,108 are currently available in the approved FY08 BCFSA budget in account 207.51210.00000.48514 (firefighting equipment); and
- WHEREAS, at its regularly scheduled meeting held December 11, 2007, the BCFSA Board recommended enactment of this ordinance; and
- WHEREAS, the local share contribution of \$3,108 and the grant amount of \$59,050 will provide a total of \$62,158, which is the total approved project cost, to be used for equipment upgrades; and
- WHEREAS, the USDHS requires acceptance of the grant as soon as possible to provide adequate time for the grant recipient to perform the scope of work within the allowed time frame, a shortened hearing date has been requested;

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

- SECTION 1. That the mayor is authorized to accept a grant from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in the amount of \$59,050 for equipment for the Bear Creek Fire Service Area, and is authorized to execute a grant agreement and any other documents deemed necessary to accept and expend the grant and to fulfill the intents and purposes of this ordinance.
- **SECTION 2.** That grant funds in the amount of \$59,050 are hereby appropriated to the Bear Creek Fire Service Area accounts as follows:

\$59,050 to account 207.51210.8HLS1.48514 (firefighting equipment).

- **SECTION 3.** That \$1,795 is appropriated from the Service Area's fund balance to account 207.51210.00000.61990 (administrative fees).
- **SECTION 4.** That due to the length and nature of this project, the appropriations established through this ordinance shall not lapse at the end of any particular fiscal year.
- **SECTION 5.** This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon enactment.

ENACTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 22ND DAY OF JANUARY, 2008.

WHITH PENING

Grace Merkes, Assembly Presiden

ATTEST:

Sherry Biggs, Borough Clerl

Yes:

Fischer, Gilman, Knopp, Long, Martin, Smith, Sprague, Superman, Merkes

PROUGHING

No:

None

Absent:

None