

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Grace Merkes, Assembly President  
Members of the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

**THRU:** John J. Williams, Borough Mayor  
Craig Chapman, Finance Director

**FROM:** Bonnie L. Golden, Grants Manager

**COPY:** Central Emergency Services

**DATE:** July 24, 2008

**SUBJECT:** Ordinances 2008-19-05: Accepting and appropriating on behalf of Central  
Emergency Services a grant in the amount of \$7,000 from the Alaska Department  
of Natural Resources

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Central Emergency Services (“CES”) submitted an application for a grant under the 2008 Rural Fire Assistance (“RFA”) grant program. The Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry, administers these federal funds. The Borough was recently notified by DNR that a \$7,000 grant has been awarded to CES. Grant funds may be used for equipment purchases or training. CES intends to use the funds for the purchase of firefighting equipment, including wildland fire shelters and packs.

The RFA grant program requires matching funds on a 90 to 1 basis (10 percent). Expenditures for fire fighting equipment or training made by CES during the 2008 calendar year are eligible costs under the grant program. CES has sufficient funds in its current operating budget to meet the matching requirements. The Service Area Board of Directors recommended acceptance of the grant at its meeting on June 19, 2008.

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Attachments (Ordinance and Notification Letter from DNR)