

Introduced by: Mayor
Date: 10/13/09
Hearing: 11/10/09
Action: Enacted
Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
ORDINANCE 2009-19-14**

**AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING A GRANT FROM THE
STATE OF ALASKA, DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, DIVISION OF
FORESTRY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,660,375 FOR THE KENAI PENINSULA
BOROUGH HAZARDOUS FUELS MITIGATION PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Borough Spruce Bark Beetle Mitigation Program has identified fuel reduction projects designed to reduce fuel hazards on the Kenai Peninsula; and

WHEREAS, the implementation of hazard fuel reduction and modification projects shall assist to reduce the risk and damage from wildland fire to communities and natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Spruce Bark Beetle Mitigation Program has received a grant in the amount of \$1,660,375 from the Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry to implement projects under the 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (“ARRA”); and

WHEREAS, ARRA grant funds are used to create jobs and promote economic growth; and

WHEREAS, the grant award shall provide funds to implement hazardous fuel mitigation and Firewise education projects on the Kenai Peninsula; and

WHEREAS, the grant award shall enhance employment opportunities by providing jobs for local residents, and shall also provide training for the local labor force to enhance skills and capabilities in fire fighting and hazard fuel reduction and modification projects; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Borough to accept the grant, thereby implementing the Borough Hazardous Fuels Mitigation Program;

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

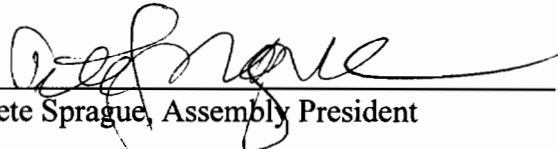
SECTION 1. That the mayor is authorized to accept a grant from the Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry and is authorized to execute a grant agreement and any other documents deemed necessary to accept and expend the grant and to fulfill the intents and purposes of this ordinance.

SECTION 2. That the grant funds in the amount of \$1,660,375 are hereby appropriated to Account No. 262.21320.AR0SB.49999 for the purpose of completing the project.

SECTION 3. That due to the length and nature of this project, the appropriation established through this ordinance shall not lapse at the end of any particular fiscal year.

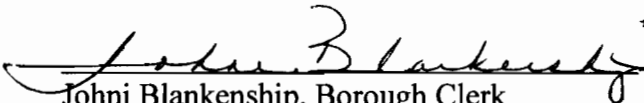
SECTION 4. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon enactment.

ENACTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS DAY 10TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2009.



Pete Sprague, Assembly President

ATTEST:


Johni Blankenship, Borough Clerk



Yes: Fischer, Haggerty, Knopp, McClure, Pierce, Smalley, Smith, Superman, Sprague
No: None
Absent: None