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To:

Kenai Peninsula Mayor and Borough Assembly

From:

Robert Letson / Thus

Date:

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Re:

Reallocation of Capital Budget Funds

Please consider the reallocation of \$20,000 in funds from SPH project KBP Account 491.81210.15SHL.48516 for PACS software upgrade. The software upgrade was under budget and the remaining funds from this project would be used to purchase a Remote Wireless Reading Station.

As a historical reference, Dr. Filipek has been able to make diagnostic reads, dictate findings and electronically sign reports after hours and on weekends from her home using a remote workstation. Our new radiologist, Dr. Daniel Quenneville, has requested being set up with the same equipment.

Attached is an e-mail from Donna Rufsholm explaining what would be required to equip Dr. Quenneville's computer at home to allow for images with the quality comparable to the imaging department. If Dr. Quenneville is to perform this service at home on nights and weekends, it must be with comparable quality to his reads at work.

SPH feels this purchase aligns with the following strategy from the 2015 – 2019 Strategic Plan: "Continuously improve organizational performance throughout the hospital, including quality improvement, control of infection, assessment of patients and care of patients". This service will be an enhanced quality interpretation and faster response for the patients and the physicians.

IT security measures would include:

- Dr. Quenneville would have a user ID and password to log into his PC and another one for logging into PAC's.
- There will be a remote PC agreement with him that states only he is to use that PC and no family members.

This equipment would remain the property of SPH if Dr. Quenneville departed.

This will also be a cost savings measure because it will substantially reduce the need to call Virtual Radiologic Teleradiology Services who charge a fee for their services.

This reallocation of funds has been approved at the Operating Board meeting on September 24, 2014 and at the Service Area Board meeting on October 9, 2014.

Per our Sublease and Operating Agreement, I now send these documents on to the Borough Administrator for approval.

Recommended Motion: Consideration to Approve Resolution 2014-09, Reallocation of Funds for Remote Wireless Reading Station for Diagnostic Reads in Dr. Quenneville's home.