

Introduced by: Mayor  
Date: 01/05/21  
Action: Postponed to 02/02/21  
Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent  
Date: 02/02/21  
Action: Adopted as Amended  
Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH  
RESOLUTION 2021-002**

**A RESOLUTION UPDATING THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHEDULE OF RATES, CHARGES AND FEES, PURSUANT TO KP.B 1.26, TO INCLUDE RATES FOR AGRICULTURAL AND GRAZING LEASES**

**WHEREAS,** KP.B 17.10.140(C)-(D) provide for agricultural and grazing leases of borough land; and

**WHEREAS,** standardizing agricultural and grazing lease fees would be an efficient and fair way to establish and maintain agricultural and grazing lease rates; and

**WHEREAS** the KP.B comprehensive plan Goal 1 under the focus area for Agriculture and Mariculture, Objective A, Strategy 2b is to “Improve management of Borough-owned land, including initial planning, classification, and regulations for land sold or leased for agriculture”; and

**WHEREAS,** agricultural and grazing use and productivity is related to a combination of the soil capability and management; and

**WHEREAS,** U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) soils maps provide authoritative information regarding the productivity of soil across much of the Kenai Peninsula Borough, and similar soil mapping conventions can be extended across unmapped areas of the borough, using non-irrigated land capability classifications (LCC); and

**WHEREAS,** agricultural and grazing management can be categorized by way of farm management and conservation plans made part of borough leases; and

**WHEREAS,** the proposed fees take into account typical high cost of investment and typical low economic margins for agricultural and grazing uses as present conditions in the Kenai Peninsula Borough; and

**WHEREAS,** the borough planning commission held a public hearing on January 11, 2021 and recommended approval by unanimous consent.

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

**SECTION 1.** That the following schedule of non-refundable fees is hereby authorized:

**Land Management**

Agricultural Lease Areas:

Category A: Tillable, LCC 3-5	\$15.00/Acre/Year
Category B: Highly Erodible Fields	\$10.00/Acre/Year
Category C: Hayland to Rangeland	\$5.00/Acre/Year
Category D: Managed Forestland	\$2.50/Acre/Year
Category E: Non-Farmed Sensitive Land	\$1.00/Acre/Year
Category F: Access Reserves- Ungated	No Fees
Category G: On-site Materials limited to 1,000 CY	\$3.00/CY
Category H: Barnyard Site	\$25/Each + \$10/Acre/Year

Grazing Lease Areas:

Category C: Hayland to Rangeland	\$5.00/Acre/Year
Category E: Non-Farmed Sensitive Land	\$1.00/Acre/Year
Category F: Access Reserves- Ungated	No Fees
Category G: On-site Materials limited to 1,000 CY	\$3.00/CY
Category H: Barnyard Site	\$25/Each + \$10/Acre/Year

**SECTION 2.** This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

**ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 2ND DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2021.**

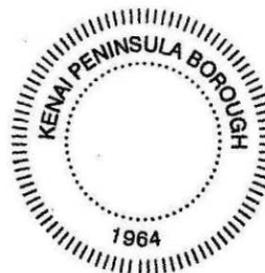


Brent Hibbert, Assembly President

ATTEST:



Jonni Blankenship, MMC, Borough Clerk



01/05/21 Vote on motion to postpone to 02/02/21:

Yes: Bjorkman, Carpenter, Chesley, Cox, Derkevorkian, Dunne, Elam, Johnson, Hibbert

No: None

Absent: None

02/02/21 Vote on motion to adopt as amended:

Yes: Bjorkman, Carpenter, Chesley, Cox, Derkevorkian, Dunne, Elam, Johnson, Hibbert

No: None

Absent: None