

Introduced by: Mayor
Date: 04/06/21
Action: Adopted
Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
RESOLUTION 2021-021**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING A MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT AND OPERATIONAL
PLANS BETWEEN THE BEAR CREEK FIRE SERVICE AREA AND THE MOOSE
PASS VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE
SERVICES**

WHEREAS, mutual aid agreements and their operation plans provide for additional resources to residents of the Kenai Peninsula Borough in the form of fire and medical personnel when required; and,

WHEREAS, mutual aid agreements and operational plans are common in the fire and emergency medical service professions; and

WHEREAS, Alaska Statute 18.70.150 provides that: “A city, other incorporated entity, and other fire protection groups may organize a mutual-aid program by adopting an ordinance or resolution authorizing and permitting their fire department, fire company, emergency relief squad, fire police squad, or fire patrol to go to the aid of another city, incorporated entity, or fire protection group, or territory outside of it;” and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Administrative Code authorizes state certified emergency medical service providers to enter into mutual aid agreements with other such providers in accordance with a municipal ordinance or resolution; and

WHEREAS, all associated costs are borne by each responding agency, and in this manner, costs for manpower, materials, supplies and equipment are exchanged between the agencies, ultimately resulting in service area funds being expended for the benefit of the service area; and

WHEREAS, in recent years the operational plans have been considered as matters within the expertise of the agencies providing the mutual aid and automatic aid and, therefore, future amendments to the operational plans have been left to the discretion of the agencies; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting on March 9, 2021, the Bear Creek Fire Service Area Board recommended unanimous approval of this resolution;

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

SECTION 1. That the mutual aid agreement between Bear Creek Fire Service Area and the Moose Pass Volunteer Fire Company is hereby approved. The mayor is authorized to execute a mutual aid agreement substantially in the form of the attached agreement.

SECTION 2. That the operational plan substantially in the form of the attached plan is hereby approved and the Bear Creek Fire Service Area and the Moose Pass Volunteer Fire Company boards and chiefs are hereby authorized to approve amendments to the operational plan, with the mayor's approval, without further review by the assembly so long as any such amendments do not conflict with the mutual aid agreement.


SECTION 3. That this resolution takes effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THI 6TH DAY OF APRIL, 2021.



Brent Hibbert, Assembly President

ATTEST:



Jonni Blankenship, MMC, Borough Clerk



Yes: Bjorkman, Carpenter, Chesley, Cox, Derkevorkian, Dunne, Elam, Johnson, Hibbert
No: None
Absent: None