

Kenai Peninsula Borough
Office of the Borough Mayor

MEMORANDUM

TO: Ryan Tunseth, Assembly President
Members KPB Assembly

FROM: Peter A. Micciche, Borough Mayor 

DATE: November 20, 2025

RE: Appointments to Service Area Boards

In accordance with KPB Title 16, appointments to the service area boards are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Assembly. The following appointments are forwarded to the Assembly for consideration and confirmation:

NORTH PENINSULA RECREATION SERVICE AREA BOARD

Christopher G. Roofe Seat B Term Expires 10/2028

SEWARD BEAR CREEK FLOOD SERVICE AREA BOARD

Maile Branson	Seat C	Term Expires 10/2028
Thomas L. Swann	Seat F	Term Expires 10/2028
Isaac J. Elhard	Seat G	Term Expires 10/2028

SELDOVIA RECREATIONAL SERVICE AREA BOARD

Elizabeth Diamant Seat D Term Expires 10/2028

KACHEMAK EMERGENCY SERVICE AREA BOARD

Frank J. Klima	Seat D	Term Expires 10/2028
Derek Haws	Seat E	Term Expires 10/2028

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Office of the Borough Clerk

MEMORANDUM

TO: Peter A. Micciche, Borough Mayor *PAM*
THRU: Michele Turner, Borough Clerk *(MT)*
FROM: Sue Ellen Essert, Deputy Borough Clerk *SEE*
DATE: November 20, 2025
RE: Service Area Board Applications for Appointment

The notice of vacancy for service area board seats was advertised on October 21, 2025. The vacancy notice was posted on the Borough's website, in the borough administration building and was provided to the service areas for posting in the community. The application periods for North Peninsula Recreation Service Area and Seward Bear Creek Flood Service Area closed on November 11, 2025. The application period for Seldovia Recreational Service Area and Kachemak Emergency Service Area closed on October 16, 2025 and has remained open until filled.

Pursuant to KPB Title 16, the applicants below have been verified as registered voters of the Borough and residents of the service area.

Below are the applications received and submitted for your consideration.

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Thank you.

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Service Area Appointment Application Submitted 2025-11-05 19:47:37

Applicant Name: Christopher G Roofe

Select One: North Peninsula Recreation Service Area Board, Seat B
(Term Expires 10/2028)

Email: cgroofe@gmail.com

Daytime Phone: 9076901946

Voter # [REDACTED]

Date of Birth: [REDACTED]

SS # [REDACTED]

Physical Residence Address: 52771 Jolie Circle Nikiski, ak 99635

Mailing Address: PO box 1775 Kenai, ak 99611

Borough Residence:

Years: 39 Months: 0

Service Area Residence:

Years: 39 Months: 0

What knowledge, experience, or expertise will you bring to this board?

I attended elementary school at North Star elementary, and graduated High school in 2001 from Nikiski Jr/Sr High. After 3 years of college in Oregon, I moved back to this community where I still reside. I have 4 children who also reside here in Nikiski and participate in many local sport and extracurricular activities. Over the years I have many hours of volunteer time coaching various sports teams through the North Peninsula Recreation Center. I have a vested interest in this community and wish to give back when and where possible. Although this would be my first experience holding a government position or seat, I am a fast learner and motivated to use my skillsets as assets for the community of Nikiski.. I have had multiple Professional Teamwork and leadership Training courses, and am a local small business owner as well. I have excellent communication skills, with a positive and cooperative outlook within team settings.

See attached Resume

Christopher G. Roofe

P.O. Box 1775
Kenai, Ak 99611
(907) 690-1946
Ak-Roofio@hotmail.com

Objective: Seeking appointment as North Peninsula Recreation Service Area Board seat B

Qualification Highlights

- 17 years and counting as Marathon Kenai Refinery Operator
- Sole Owner/Operator of Peninsula Self Storage LLC
- A.A.S. Process Technology, Kenai Peninsula College
- 3.95 GPA in Process Technology, 3.83 GPA overall
- Former Facilitator of Tesoro Employee Safety Steering Team
- Positive and cooperative outlook within team settings
- Excellent oral and written communication skills
- Excellent team building and enhancement skills

Professional Experience

Maintenance and Technical

Extensive Safety training beyond normal Process Operator standards
Extensive knowledge of Industrial and Facility Operations/Process/Equipment
Extensive Professional Leadership experience
Competent user of many Computer Applications
Commitment to positive teamwork interaction and communication

Health and Safety

Strong knowledge of Industrial safety policies, work practices, Emergency Action Plan
Training in Hazard Recognition, Hazard Mitigation, Incident Investigation
Attendee of multiple safety conferences locally and nationally
Former Facilitator of Employee Safety Steering Team
Former Member of Tesoro Eagles Safety Steering Team
Participation in safety / culture change programs including S.T.O.P./Grassroots/Eagles
Dedication to protection of personnel, community, and environment

Education

- * Kenai Peninsula College, A.A.S., Process Technology, May 2007

Work History

			<u>location</u>
2022-current	Owner/Operator	Peninsula Self Storage LLC	Nikiski, AK
2008-current	Process Operator,	Marathon Petroleum	Nikiski, AK
2007	Operator Intern,	Agrium (KNO)	Agrium (KNO)
2006	Apprentice Insulator,	Heat and Frost Insulation	Agrium (KNO)
2004-2005	Floor Hand,	Doyon Drilling Inc.	North Slope
2001-2004	Roofer,	T&M Roofing	Kenai, AK
2002	Roustabout,	Veco	Tesoro (Kenai)

Community Involvements/Interests

I Enjoy training Wrestling and Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, Hunting, Fishing, and most all outdoor activities with my 4 children. Having been raised in this area, my community ties run deep and I have been involved in many youth sports programs run through the North Peninsula Recreation Center, Nikiski Jr/Sr. High school and Nikiski Freestyle Wrestling club.

Subject: Service Area Appointment Application received - Wednesday, October 22, 2025 11:35 AM

Select One: Seward Bear Creek Flood Service Area Board, Seat C
(Term Expires 10/2028)

Applicant Name: Maile Branson

Physical Residence Address: 13011 Heather Lee Lane

City: Seward State: AK Zip: 99664

My Mailing Address is DIFFERENT from my Residence Address

Mailing Address: PO Box 3404

City: SEWARD State: AK Zip: 99664

Email: mailebranson@gmail.com

Daytime Phone: 9073606790

Voter #

SS #

Date of Birth: [REDACTED]

I have been a Resident of the Kenai Peninsula Borough for:

Years: 25 Months: 1

I have been a Resident of the selected Service Area for:

Years: 15 Months: 1

What knowledge, experience, or expertise will you bring to this board?

I own +/- 30 acres in the flood service area, including one of the bigger "issue areas" SBCFSA addresses. I have a PhD in wildlife biology and a MS in fisheries.

APPLICANT CERTIFICATION: I certify that the information in this Application for Appointment is true and complete and that I meet the specific residency and voter registration requirements of this office. I further acknowledge that by typing my initials below I intend to fully sign this document.

Type your initials to sign

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Subject: Service Area Appointment Application received

Select One: Seward Bear Creek Flood Service Area Board, Seat *DF*

(Term Expires 10/2028)

Applicant Name: Thomas L Swann

Physical Residence Address" 227 Ballaine Bv

City: Seward **State:** AK **Zip:** 99664

My Mailing Address is DIFFERENT from my Residence Address

Mailing Address: POB 357

City: Seward **State:** AK **Zip:** 99664

Email: tom@sewardvacationproperties.com

Daytime Phone: 907-362-3380

Voter # **SS #**

Date of Birth: [REDACTED]

I have been a Resident of the Kenai Peninsula Borough for:

Years: 23

Months: 10

I have been a Resident of the selected Service Area for:

Years: 23

Months: 10

What knowledge, experience, or expertise will you bring to this board?

9 years Seward Historic Preservation Commission.

7 years Seward Planning and Zoning Commission.

APPLICANT CERTIFICATION: I certify that the information in this Application for Appointment is true and complete and that I meet the specific residency and voter registration requirements of this office. I further acknowledge that by typing my initials below I intend to fully sign this document.

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Service Area Appointment Application Submitted 2025-11-03 17:30:43

Applicant Name Isaac J. Elhard		Select One Seward Bear Creek Flood Service Area Board, Seat G (Term Expires 10/2028)
Email isaacelhard34@gmail.com		Daytime Phone 907-491-1616
Voter #	Date of Birth [REDACTED]	SS #
Physical Residence Address 13986 Ravenquest Ave. Seward, AK 99664		Mailing Address P.O. Box 662 Seward, AK 99664
Borough Residence: Years: 37 Months: 4		Service Area Residence: Years: 37 Months: 4
What knowledge, experience, or expertise will you bring to this board? Local with construction and dirt work background		

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Service Area Appointment Application Submitted 2025-11-07 12:14:05

Applicant Name Elizabeth Diamant		Select One Seldovia Recreational Service Area Board, Seat D (Term Expires 10/2028)
Email lizdiamant@gmail.com		Daytime Phone 9145880332
Voter #	Date of Birth [REDACTED]	SS #
Physical Residence Address 318 Alder Street Seldovia, AK 99663		Mailing Address PO Box 54 Seldovia, AK 99663
Borough Residence: Years: 21 Months: 2		Service Area Residence: Years: 4 Months: 8
What knowledge, experience, or expertise will you bring to this board? Current Board Chair and recreational enthusiast, lifeguard and volleyball volunteer.		

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Service Area Appointment Application Submitted 2025-11-15 17:53:34

Applicant Name Frank J. Klima		Select One Kachemak Emergency Service Area Board, Seat E (Term Expires 10/2028) D
Email frankjklima@gmail.com		Daytime Phone 402 350-3538
Voter #	Date of Birth [REDACTED]	SS # [REDACTED]
Physical Residence Address 94525 Pitzman Ave Homer, AK 99603		Mailing Address ,
Borough Residence: Years: 3 Months: 11		Service Area Residence: Years: 3 Months: 11
What knowledge, experience, or expertise will you bring to this board? For the last three years, I have been the Trauma Coordinator for South Peninsula Hospital. In this role I review the care that all trauma patients received at South Peninsula Hospital. This also includes prehospital care. Along with this experience, I have been an RN for 25 years and half that time has been in the Emergency Department.		

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Service Area Appointment Application Submitted 2025-11-17 06:28:39

Applicant Name Derek Haws		Select One Kachemak Emergency Service Area Board, Seat E (Term Expires 10/2028)
Email derek_haws@outlook.com		Daytime Phone 9072998105
Voter #	Date of Birth [REDACTED]	SS # [REDACTED]
Physical Residence Address 68085 Centurion Dr Homer, AK 99603		Mailing Address ,
Borough Residence: Years: 4 Months: 8		Service Area Residence: Years: 4 Months: 8
What knowledge, experience, or expertise will you bring to this board? As a resident of the Kachemak Emergency Service Area, I understand the needs, expectations, and challenges our community faces. My time serving as both a volunteer and staff member with KESA has given me a clear understanding of the operational realities within the service area, including long response distances, limited staffing, increasing training requirements, budget pressures, and the ongoing challenge of supporting growth while keeping service delivery sustainable. I've seen these issues from the inside, and I understand how they affect both responders and the public. Professionally, I bring a strong fire service background as an Engineer, ALS provider, and Acting Duty Officer with the City of Homer. In this role I supervise personnel, lead training, ensure operational readiness, and support EMS quality assurance and documentation. My previous work for the Kenai Peninsula Borough as the E-911 GIS Planner helped me understand the technical side of emergency response, including addressing, dispatch operations, and interagency coordination, all of which play a major role in effective rural emergency services. With ongoing graduate studies in Fire Executive Leadership and experience at the Borough, City, and volunteer levels, I bring a well-rounded and practical perspective to the table. I understand both the operational demands on responders and the administrative challenges involved in planning and sustaining emergency services. As a KPB/KESA board member, my goal would be to support thoughtful, community-focused decisions that strengthen response capability, improve long-term planning, and ensure that KESA is equipped to meet both today's needs and the challenges ahead.		

Derek Haws

68085 Centurion Dr, Homer, AK 99603
907-299-8105 | derek_haws@outlook.com

Summary

U.S. Navy submarine veteran with proven experience operating in high-stress, high-consequence environments. Alaska State Firefighter II and Advanced EMT with rigorous training in both structural and shipboard firefighting. Experienced as both a career and volunteer firefighter, providing ALS care and operational leadership in dynamic environments. Demonstrates strong mechanical and computer aptitude. Currently pursuing a Master's degree in Fire Executive Leadership, further strengthening leadership and decision-making capabilities within the fire service.

Education

Columbia Southern University – Master of Science, Fire Executive Leadership / Emergency Services Management · GPA: 4.0 · Expected Graduation: 2027

Penn State University – Postbaccalaureate Certificate in Geographic Information Systems · GPA: 3.830

University of Maine – Bachelor of Applied Science, Minor in Computer Information Systems · GPA: 3.898

Certifications

State of Alaska – Department of Public Safety: Firefighter II, Fire Officer, Fire Instructor, Driver/Operator, Hazardous Materials Awareness & Operations

National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians: Advanced EMT

State of Alaska – Department of Health: Alaska AEMT

FEMA: ICS-100, ICS-200, ICS-300, ICS-400, ICS-700, ICS-800

American Heart Association: ACLS Provider, BLS Provider, PALS Provider

Honors & Awards

Penn State University: Summa Cum Laude

U.S. Navy: Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal

Professional Experience

City of Homer, Homer, Alaska

April 2024 - Current

Engineer/ ALS EMT (Acting Duty Officer)

- Serve as the duty officer and lead ALS provider for B-Shift, responsible for supervising the shift engineer and on-duty volunteers.
- Provide advanced life support care during emergency medical responses while adhering to state and department protocols.
- Lead bi-weekly department training, lead weekly shift training, and develop ongoing training plans aligned with departmental goals and operational needs.
- Oversee report QA/QI, ensuring accurate and complete documentation for EMS and fire responses.
- Maintain readiness of apparatus, equipment, and personnel to support effective response operations.
- Demonstrate strong leadership, communication, and decision-making skills during both emergency and non-emergency operations.

Kenai Peninsula Borough, Homer, Alaska

February 2023 – April 2024

Firefighter Technician

- Provided professional emergency medical care while closely adhering to state and departmental procedures.
- Confident in the use of firefighting tools and methods to extinguish fires, protect life, and preserve property.
- Operated department apparatus safely and efficiently including pumping and ariel operations.
- Responsible for the inspection and repair of department apparatus and equipment.
- Participated in public fire safety education events, engaging groups of all ages.

Kenai Peninsula Borough, Soldotna, Alaska

March 2021 - February 2023

E-911 GIS Planner

- Maintained and enhanced GIS datasets used to dispatch and route emergency response personnel.
- Performed day-to-day maintenance of the Master Street Addressing Guide (MSAG) in coordination with telecommunication service providers to ensure accurate 911 call routing.

- Responsible for street naming and addressing throughout the Kenai Peninsula Borough.
- Prepared reports, records, maps, and map books for Emergency Service providers, City and Borough departments, utility companies, and USPS.
- Skilled in modern office procedures, business telephone etiquette, and computer operations.
- Experienced in planning and writing grant proposals.

General Dynamics Bath Iron Works, Bath, Maine

November 2018 - October 2020

DDG Configuration Data Manager (Database Analyst)

- Managed configuration and logistics records database in support of more than 66 Navy surface combatants.
- Performed analysis to identify and resolve data discrepancies.
- Demonstrated professional customer service as the point of contact for all DDG Class ships in Everett, WA.

Pratt & Whitney, East Hartford, Connecticut

October 2017 - October 2018

Advanced Coatings Technician

- Applied thermal barrier coatings to critical and non-critical military engine components.
- Comfortable working within tight tolerances and adhering to quality specifications.
- Skilled in use of Precision measuring tools for bench level inspection.

U.S. Navy, Naval Base Kitsap Bangor, Washington

March 2013 - August 2017

Fire Control Technician (Electro-Mechanical Systems Technician)

- Maintained & operated submarine weapons systems.
- Supervised routine and corrective maintenance of weapons systems and supporting equipment with zero personnel injuries or equipment mishaps.
- Managed 6 personnel and coordinated between multiple outside entities for two major system overhauls, resulting in systems installation ahead of schedule.
- Mentored peers in defensive weapons systems, significantly contributing to the qualification of 5 sailors.
- Responsible for the purchasing, receiving, and storage of repair parts and Hazmat.
- Completed firefighting training and regularly participated in shipboard firefighting drills.