Introduced by: Mayor

Date: 01/18/22

Hearing: 02/01/22

Action: Enacted as Amended

Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ORDINANCE 2021-19-34

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING FISHERIES BUSINESS TAX FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE STATE OF ALASKA UNDER THE FEDERAL PASS-THROUGH PROGRAM, AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$86,408.54 FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUPPLEMENTING THE RADIO CONSULTANT PROJECT TO ADDRESS PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS

- **WHEREAS,** House Bill 69, which appropriated funding to the Business Fisheries Tax program, was passed by the State Legislature and signed by the Governor, with line item vetoes, on June 30, 2021; and;
- WHEREAS, House Bill 69 appropriated funds from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Program ("Recovery Program") to refund local governments and other entities their share of the fisheries business tax collected in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019; and
- WHEREAS, the borough fire and emergency services service areas and the office of emergency management (hereinafter referred to as "departments" or a "department") intend to hire a radio consultant to conduct maintenance or installation of radios, tower repeaters, and borough communications plans to ensure interoperability and functionality (Project); and
- WHEREAS, the Recovery Program funds will be appropriated by percentage to each department's account to address areawide interoperability among borough entities, municipalities or federal agencies, is an integral function of public safety, and addresses the eligible use of these funds by way of the Recovery Plan federal guidance; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Project cost difference will be met through already budgeted operating funds in each respective department as listed in Section 3; and
- WHEREAS, at its regularly scheduled meeting held January 20, 2022, the Central Emergency Services Board recommended approval of the grant acceptance and cost share; and
- **WHEREAS,** at its regularly scheduled meeting held January 26, 2022, the Nikiski Fire Service Area Board recommended approval with amendments by unanimous consent of the grant acceptance and cost share; and

- **WHEREAS**, at its regularly scheduled meeting held January 20, 2022, the Kachemak Emergency Service Area Board recommended approval by unanimous cosent of the grant acceptance and cost share; and
- WHEREAS, at its regularly scheduled meeting held January 11, 2022, the Bear Creek Fire Service Area Board recommended approval by unanimous consent of the grant acceptance and cost share; and
- WHEREAS, at its regularly scheduled meeting held January 12, 2022, the Western Emergency Service Area Board recommended approval by unanimous consent of the grant acceptance and cost share; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the borough to accept these funds;

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

- **SECTION 1.** That the mayor is authorized to execute grant agreements and any other documents deemed necessary to expend the funds and to fulfill the intents and purposes of this ordinance.
- **SECTION 2.** That \$86,408.54 received from the State of Alaska under the federal pass-through program, American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 to refund fiscal year 2019 Fisheries Business Tax funds be appropriated to 100.00000.21FSH.33115 and transferred to department accounts as follows:

Department	%	Amount	Account
Central Emergency Services	30	\$25,940.64	211.51610.22FSH.43011
Nikiski Fire	22	\$19,525.11	206.51110. 22FSH.43011
Kachemak Emergency Services	15	\$13,196.28	212.51810. 22FSH.43011
Bear Creek Fire	8	\$6,778.91	207.51210. 22FSH.43011
Western Emergency Services	19	\$16,540.55	209.51410. 22FSH.43011
Office of Emergency Management	5	\$4,700.05	100.11250. 22FSH.43011

SECTION 3. That the project difference will be met by use of FY2022 appropriated operating funds from each department as follows:

Department	%	Amount	Account
Central Emergency Services	30	\$16,359	211.51610.00000.43011
Nikiski Fire	22	\$12,141	206.51110. 00000.43011
Kachemak Emergency			
Services	15	\$8,322	212.51810. 00000.43011
Bear Creek Fire	8	\$4,275	207.51210. 0000043011
Western Emergency Services	19	\$10,431	209.51410. 00000.43011

Office of Emergency			
Management	5	\$2,964	100.11250. 00000.43011

SECTION 4. That \$86,408.54 received from the State of Alaska under the federal pass-through program, American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 do not lapse at the end of the fiscal year.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon enactment.

ENACTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 1ST DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2022.

ATTEST:

Johni Blankenship, MMC, Borough Clerk

Brent Johnson, Assembly President

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Yes: Bjorkman, Chesley, Cox, Derkevorkian, Ecklund, Elam, Hibbert, Tupper, Johnson

No: None

Absent: None