

Introduced by: Mayor  
Date: 01/08/19  
Hearing: 01/22/19  
Action: Enacted  
Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH  
ORDINANCE 2018-19-26**

**AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR  
EARTHQUAKE RESPONSE UNDER THE LOCALLY DECLARED DISASTER  
EMERGENCY WITHIN THE KENAI PENINSULA**

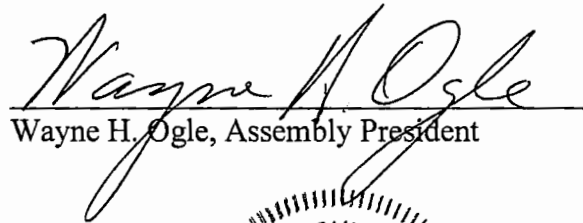
- WHEREAS,** on November 30, 2018 at 8:29 am a 7.0 earthquake shook from an epicenter five miles north of Anchorage which was felt across Southcentral Alaska and tsunami warnings were issued for coastal communities, including Seward and the Kachemak Bay communities of Homer, Seldovia, Nanwalek and Port Graham; and
- WHEREAS,** an appropriation is needed to provide funding for the borough's response and damage assessments; and
- WHEREAS,** both the State of Alaska and federal government issued an emergency declaration to assist the Municipality of Anchorage, Kenai Peninsula Borough, and Matanuska-Susitna Borough on November 30, 2018;
- WHEREAS,** the Kenai Peninsula Borough Mayor issued a local emergency declaration for the entire Kenai Peninsula Borough on December 4, 2018, subsequently extended to June 7, 2019 by the assembly; and
- WHEREAS,** the borough has completed some work and continues to conduct repairs and damage assessments borough-wide for the following departments and service areas: Maintenance, Purchasing and Contracting, Roads, Office of Emergency Management, Solid Waste, North Peninsula Recreation, Nikiski Fire, Central Emergency Services, Kachemak Emergency Services, and Central Peninsula Hospital Service Area; and
- WHEREAS,** departments and service areas have financially supported the initial response, and this appropriation will reimburse these operational funds; and
- WHEREAS,** it is expected that significant expenses will be incurred in responding to this event and repairing damages to facilities and public infrastructure caused by the earthquake; and
- WHEREAS,** this ordinance appropriates funds in the amount of \$450,000 to enable the borough to continue repairs and assessments associated with the disaster;

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

**SECTION 1.** That the sum of \$450,000 is hereby appropriated from the general fund balance and transferred to account no. 260.11251.19EQ1.49999 for response and assessment by the borough through the declared earthquake disaster emergency within the Kenai Peninsula Borough.

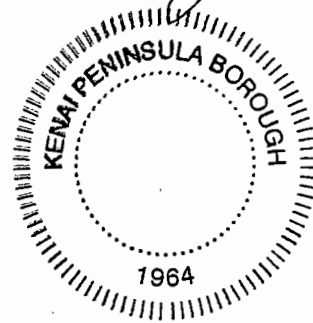
**SECTION 2.** That this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its enactment.

**ENACTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 22ND DAY OF JANUARY, 2019.**

  
Wayne H. Ogle, Assembly President

ATTEST:

  
John Blankerish, MMC, Borough Clerk



Yes: Bagley, Blakeley, Carpenter, Cooper, Dunne, Fischer, Hibbert, Smalley, Ogle  
No: None  
Absent: None