MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH INFORMATION MEMORANDUM IM No. 24-028

SUBJECT: INFORMING THE ASSEMBLY OF THE MANAGER'S APPROVAL OF, AND SUBMITTAL OF, THE 2024 ONLINE VOLUNTEER FIRE ASSISTANCE GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES, FIRE SERVICE AREAS OF TALKEETNA, CASWELL, AND WILLOW.

AGENDA OF: January 16, 2024

ASSEMBLY ACTION: Presented to the assembly 1/16/24 -EMW

AGENDA ACTION REQUESTED: For information only.

Route To	Signatures
Originator	12/28/2023 X Casey Laughlin Signed by: Casey Laughlin
Department Director	Recoverable Signature X Ken Barkley Signed by: Ken Barkley
Finance Director	12/28/2023 X Cheyenne Heindel signed by: Cheyenne Heindel
Borough Attorney	12/28/2023 X Nicholas Spiropoulos Signed by: Nicholas Spiropoulos
Borough Manager	Recoverable Signature X Michael Brown Signed by: Michael Brown
Borough Clerk	Recoverable Signature X Lonnie McKechnie Signed by: Lonnie McKechnie

ATTACHMENT (S): None

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

The Borough Manager has given his approval for the Borough Fire Services Areas of Talkeetna, Caswell, and Willow, to submit online applications for Volunteer Fire Assistance grant funding through the State of Alaska, Division of Forestry. The applicants have requested funding for equipment in the following amounts:

- Talkeetna Fire Service Area: Firefighting foam and water supply hose \$7,000
- Caswell Fire Service Area: Black Spyder Gear Packs and water supply hose \$6,912.27
- Willow Fire Service Area: Black Spyder Gear Packs and fire shelters \$6,261.91

The fire service areas must provide 10% matching funds in order to comply with the conditions of the grant and to receive the grant. The matching funds will be pulled from their fund balance at the time legislation is done accepting and appropriating any awarded funding.