SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH ASSEMBLY AMENDING MSB 4.48, LOCAL ROAD SERVICE AREA ADVISORY BOARD, TO AMEND QUORUM REQUIREMENTS.

AGENDA OF: _September 17, 2019_

ASSEMBLY ACTION:

Adopted with Assemblymember Sumner opposed. 10-1-19 (BS)

MANAGER RECOMMENDATION: Introduce and set for public hearing.

APPROVED BY JOHN MOOSEY, BOROUGH MANAGER: _____

Route To:	Department/Individual	Initials	Remarks
	Originator	LRM	
	Public Works Director	*TDh*	*30 Aug 19*
	Borough Attorney	*NS*	
	Borough Clerk	*BA for LRM*	

ATTACHMENT(S): Fiscal Note: YES ____   NO _X_
              Ordinance Serial No. 19-___ (1 pp)
              LRSAB Resolution/Letter (1 pp)

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

This ordinance has come forward at the request of the Local Road Service Area Advisory Board.   Please see the attached LRSAB Resolution 19-05.

The Local Road Service Area Advisory Board (LRSAB) is comprised of one road supervisor from each of the road service areas in the Borough. The quorum requirements for the Local Road Service Area Advisory Board is a majority of its membership, which is 9.   It takes 9 members present to establish a quorum and conduct business. The Borough has two RSA Boards at this time that are inactive, due to a lack of members. The LRSAB have been having issues reaching a quorum to conduct business. At times members come to the meeting and realize they do not have a quorum to conduct business.
When members are coming from all over the Borough it is a waste of their time and staff time. The Chair of the LRSAB requested that the Borough look at changing the quorum requirements.

Per Robert's Rules, a quorum is a majority of the members, unless a different quorum is specified by the governing body. The governing body in this case, is the Assembly. This legislation would change the quorum requirements for the LRSAB from 9 members to 7 members.

At this time the LRSAB requires 9 members present to conduct a meeting, which would require 5 members to pass/fail an item before them. The change to 7 members for a quorum would require 4 members out of the 7 to pass/fail an item before them.

Duties of the LRSAB:

4.48.040 DUTIES.

(A)   The road service area advisory board shall make recommendations to the manager or assembly, as appropriate, on borough policy and actions with respect to:

(1)   standards and priorities for maintenance for different types of local service roads;

(2)   standards and priorities for programs for reconstructing and upgrading local service roads;

(3)   development of sources of revenues for maintenance, reconstruction and upgrade of local service roads including, but not limited to, assessments levied through road local improvement districts and property taxes;

(4)   which roads should be used as the basis for state aid for road maintenance; and

(5)   administration of road service area operations.

(B)   The road service area advisory board shall review the budget for each road service area and make recommendations to the administration no later than March 31st of each year.

(C)   The road service area advisory board may recommend to the assembly ordinances and other actions relating to road service area matters.

RECOMMENDATION OF ADMINISTRATION: Respectfully   requests consideration.

~~DRAFT~~ *Final*

LOCAL ROAD SERVICE AREA ADVISORY BOARD
RESOLUTION 19-*05*
A RESOLUTION BY THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH LOCAL ROAD SERVICE AREA ADVISORY BOARD SUPORTING PROPOSED LEGISLATION TO CHANGE THE QUORUM REQUIREMENTS

WHEREAS: The LRSAAB has met with a quorum and reviewed the proposed legislation to change the minimum quorum requirements for a meeting of this board; and,

WHEREAS: The LRSAAB often struggles to obtain a nine member quorum; and

WHEREAS: The board would be able to do business more often with a lessor requirement for minimum quorum; THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED: The LRSAAB requests that the Borough Assembly adopt the legislation from staff as proposed, *setting our quorum at 7 RSAs represented.*

Adopted by ~~majority~~ _____ unanimous __X__ voice vote on __8/15/2019__

Stephen Edwards _____

Mike Shields, _____