

SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH ASSEMBLY REPEALING MSB 4.32, TERMINATING THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES BOARD

AGENDA OF: February 4, 2020

ASSEMBLY ACTION:

2-18-2020 Adopted with TH opposed. KRS

MANAGER RECOMMENDATION: Introduce and set for public hearing.

APPROVED BY JOHN MOOSEY, BOROUGH MANAGER:

Route To:	Department/Individual	Initials	Remarks
	Originator	<i>[Signature]</i>	
	Emergency Services Director	KB	
	Finance Director	<i>[Signature]</i>	
	Borough Attorney	<i>[Signature]</i>	
	Borough Clerk	<i>[Signature]</i> 1/27/2020 <i>[Signature]</i>	

ATTACHMENT(S): Fiscal Note: YES _____ NO X
 Ordinance Serial No. 20-013 (2 pp)
 MSB 4.32 (3 pp)

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

The Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Board was established in 1979 to accomplish four objectives for seven separate EMS areas. All EMS divisions are now under one division. Under the current single leadership, communications between all EMS stations has vastly improved. EMS has Daily Operation Briefings, Monthly operational meetings, Division-wide meetings three times per year, as well as weekly training meetings. EMS also have regularly scheduled meetings with outside stakeholders, such as: Mat-Su Regional Medical Center, MATCOM (dispatch), and HUMS (High Utilizer Mat-Su Program). The four original objectives of the EMS Board have all been re-assigned to full-time employees of the Borough in the form of a work groups.

The EMS Board has not been able to conduct business due to a lack

of quorum in over 18 months. The current board members do not object to termination of the EMS Board. Members of the public have very rarely attended the EMS Board Meetings over the years.

RECOMMENDATION OF ADMINISTRATION:

Approval of an ordinance terminating MSB 4.32 Emergency Medical Services Board.

CHAPTER 4.32: EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES BOARD

Section

4.32.010 Established

4.32.020 Board compensation

4.32.030 Powers and duties

4.32.040 Organization; meetings

4.32.010 ESTABLISHED.

- (A) There is created an emergency medical services board.
- (B) The emergency medical services board membership shall consist of:
- (1) an emergency medical service (EMS) primary and an alternate from each Matanuska-Susitna Borough service area;
 - (2) the medical director primary and an alternate;
 - (3) a hospital representative primary and an alternate;
 - (4) a dispatch center representative primary and an alternate;
 - (5) a dive rescue team representative primary and an alternate; and
 - (6) a uniformed or responder fire service representative primary and an alternate.
 - (7) *[Repealed by Ord. 04-080, § 21, 2004]*
- (C) Members of this board are exempted from the term limits specified in MSB 4.05.050.
- (Ord. 15-079, § 2, 2015; Ord. 13-117, § 2, 2013; Ord. 11-101, § 2, 2011; Ord. 04-080, § 21, 2004; Ord. 94-001AM, § 5 (part), 1994; Ord. 86-37, § 2, 1986; Ord. 84-34, § 25 (part), 1984)

4.32.020 BOARD COMPENSATION.

Board members shall be reimbursed for travel expenses incurred in connection with official business and meetings of the board in the same manner as borough employees are compensated for those expenses, and for reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in connection with their duties, upon presentation of supporting documentation satisfactory to the finance director.

(Ord. 94-001AM, § 5 (part), 1994; Ord. 84-34, § 25 (part), 1984)

4.32.030 POWERS AND DUTIES.

(A) The board shall:

(1) act as an areawide emergency medical services advisory board to the administration and assembly, including making studies, holding public hearings and making recommendations to the administration and assembly on the following:

- (a) standardization of service areas and services;
- (b) capital improvement projects;
- (c) the operational budget of areas;
- (d) emergency medical service regulations;
- (e) emergency medical services training areas;
- (f) appropriate equipment for service areas;
- (g) service area personnel qualifications;
- (h) service area backup equipment and its disposition;
- (i) recommended approval of new emergency medical service unit areas and locations; and
- (j) fees to be charged for ambulance services.

(2) review the budget for each service area and make recommendations to the emergency services director with regard to the proposed annual budget for emergency medical services within the borough, and on capital improvement projects and equipment needs for each service area.

(3) recommend ordinances and actions to be taken by the assembly with respect to emergency medical services.

(4) consult with other advisory bodies such as the planning commission and any medical, health or safety organizations.

(Ord. 11-101, § 3, 2011; Ord. 04-080, § 22, 2004; Ord. 94-001AM, § 5 (part), 1994; Ord. 84-34, § 25 (part), 1984)

4.32.040 ORGANIZATION; MEETINGS.

(A) The board shall have a chair and vice-chair that serve two-year terms. Consecutive terms shall be allowed.

(B) A quorum consists of seven authorized board members for the purpose of transacting business.

(Ord. 11-101, § 4, 2011)