

**CITY OF GUSTAVUS, ALASKA
RESOLUTION 2011-11**

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSAL TO IMPROVE THE GUSTAVUS
VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT WITH FUNDING THROUGH THE STATE OF
ALASKA CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, The Gustavus Volunteer Fire Department (GVFD) has served the community in a vital role for over 25 years; and

WHEREAS, the GVFD has recently reviewed its equipment and procedures to identify gaps in compliance and preparedness; and

WHEREAS, the GVFD has identified a compliance gap in expectations of the Alaska Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Division, in that the GVFD has no means of fit testing self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) face pieces used by fire responders; and

WHEREAS, properly fitting SCBA face pieces are critical to assuring health and safety protection of responders on the fire ground; and

WHEREAS, the GVFD emergency response radio system is obsolete and out of compliance with FCC regulations for narrow-band frequency emergency response radios effective in 2012; and

WHEREAS, reliable radio communications are vital to a functioning 911 call system and to assuring a safe and effective emergency response,

AND NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Gustavus City Council, in an effort to protect the health and safety of its volunteer responders and to assure effective emergency response within the City of Gustavus supports for submission the proposal to improve the Gustavus Volunteer Fire Department with a Capital Improvement Project grant.

PASSED and APPROVED by the Gustavus City Council, this 10th day of February, 2011.


Jim Mackovjak, Mayor


Joe Lassiter, Council Member

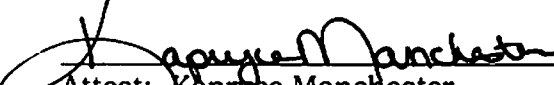

Melanie Lesh, Council Member


Karen Taylor, Council Member

Lou Cacioppo, Vice Mayor

Via Teleconference
Tim Sunday, Council Member

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John Nixon, Council Member


Attest: Kapryce Manchester,
City Clerk