

Introduced by: City Manager Herron  
Date: March 23, 2004  
Action: Passed  
Vote: Unanimous

*CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA*

**Resolution #04-10**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BETHEL CITY COUNCIL SUPPORTING THE EFFORTS OF THE BETHEL FIRE DEPARTMENT TO SEEK GRANT MONIES FROM THE 2004 ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT PROGRAM**

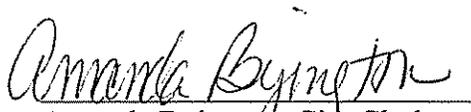
- WHEREAS**, the Bethel Fire Department has identified grant monies available from the 2004 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program and is putting forth the effort needed to apply for this grant;
- WHEREAS**, the purpose of the grant program is to award one-year grants directly to fire departments to enhance their abilities to respond to fires and reduce/eliminate fire-related hazards;
- WHEREAS**, since the origin of the grant program, Congress has recognized the increasing needs of fire departments and has doubled the previously appropriated amounts of funding;
- WHEREAS**, the 1987 model pumper/tender fire truck currently in use, despite being well-cared for and properly maintained over the years, requires regular repairs to the water tank, electrical system, and engine;
- WHEREAS**, a new pumper/tender fire truck that meets today's firefighting industry standards would provide a 2,000 gallon water capacity, a 1,500 gallon per minute pump, enclosed cab, large 10 kilowatt generator, and 1500 watt flood lights;
- WHEREAS**, the Bethel Fire Department is committed to decreasing its response time to fire calls and the fire truck requested in this grant will help achieve that goal;
- WHEREAS**, under the 2004 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program, the Bethel Fire Department is applying for \$ 400,000 of the available grants monies, with a required 10% local cash match contribution of \$ 40,000, recognizing that these monies will benefit members of the Bethel community and those who fight the fires by providing increased safety and security;

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Bethel City Council supports the Bethel Fire Department in its efforts to apply for grant money for a new pumper/tender fire engine.

**PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 23rd DAY OF MARCH 2004, BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE.**

ATTEST:

  
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Hugh Short, Jr., Mayor  
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Amanda Byington, City Clerk