CITY OF THORNE BAY RESOLUTION 13-02-19-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF THORNE BAY, ALASKA, SUPPORTING PARTICIPATION IN A REGIONAL MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City Council is the governing body of Thorne Bay, Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the City of Thorne Bay operates a Solid Waste Facility wherein Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) is baled and buried in a landfilling operation; and

WHEREAS, the capacity of the Current Disposal Cell to accept MSW has a limited life of only a couple years under the Current Landfilling Disposal Operations; and

WHEREAS, the costs permitting and physical costs to close out the Existing Cell and develop a Second Disposal Cell, to extend the life of the landfilling process to accept MSW, exceed the financial capabilities of the City of Thorne Bay; and

WHEREAS, the City of Thorne Bay will increase its long term liability associated with the addition of a second burial cell; and

WHEREAS, the City of Thorne Bay joined the Southeast Alaska Solid Waste Authority (SEASWA) so as to facilitate a Regional Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) Disposal Program that would benefit the economy of Southeast Alaska and limit Landfill and MSW disposal liabilities for small communities; and

WHEREAS, the Southeast Alaska Solid Waste Authority and its members have developed a Regional MSW Disposal Program using the services of Regional Disposal Company; and

WHEREAS, the City of Kasaan, The City of Coffman Cove, The City of Craig and The City of Klawock on Prince of Wales Island (POW) and the Cities of Petersburg and Wrangel have agreed to participate in the SEASWA Regional MSW Disposal Program; and

WHEREAS, the Program proposes that the City of Thorne Bay and the City of Klawock Landfill Sites, under an agreement with Regional Disposal Company, be the Regional Transfer Sites for POW; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Thorne Bay recognizes the long term financial and environmental benefits associated with participation in the SEASWA Regional MSW Disposal Program by participating as a Regional Transfer Site.

PASSED AND APPROVED February 19, 2013

James Gould, Mayor

ATTEST:

Teri Feibel, City Clerk/Treasure