

**NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH
ORDINANCE 13-01**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH
ASSEMBLY AMENDING SECTION 2.04.040 OF THE NORTHWEST
ARCTIC BOROUGH CODE, PERTAINING TO THE COMPENSATION
AND PER DIEM RATE FOR ASSEMBLY MEETING
PARTICIPATION, AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES**

WHEREAS: Section 2.04.040 of the Northwest Arctic Borough Code sets the meeting compensation rate and requires a per diem for Assembly members' participation at meetings and Borough-related conferences; and

WHEREAS: Section 2.07 of the Borough Charter provides that an increase in meeting fee compensation shall not take effect until the regular Assembly meeting following the next regular election; and

WHEREAS: the Assembly meeting compensation and per diem fees have not been updated since 2007 (Ord. 07-01); and

WHEREAS: the Assembly has determined that the Assembly meeting fee and per diem rates are outdated and must be updated; and

WHEREAS: the Assembly has determined that it is in the Borough's best interest to compensate its Assembly members at a fair rate and adjust its per diem rate through budget ordinance amendment to fully meet the costs of Assembly meeting attendance.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED BY THE NORTHWEST
ARCTIC BOROUGH ASSEMBLY:**

Section 1: Section 2.040.040 of the Borough Code is amended as follows with additions indicated by underlining in bold and deletions by ~~strikethrough~~ in bold:

2.04.040 Compensation and per diem of assembly members.

A. Each member of the assembly shall receive compensation at the rate of ~~\$250.00~~ **\$350.00** for each meeting day of the assembly attended, including any meetings of a committee or subcommittee established under NABC 2.04.070. Compensation shall be paid at the rate of ~~\$150.00~~ **\$200.00** for each day of attendance at a convention, conference or similar gathering.

B. Each member of the assembly shall receive per diem for each day or part of a day the assembly member is away from his/her village of residence to attend to borough business. The per diem shall be at a rate which is adjusted and set according to budget amendments.

C. The assembly shall invite the Regional Elders Council to send an ex officio representative to meetings of the assembly. The representative of the Regional Elders Council shall receive compensation for each meeting day of the assembly attended. The rate of compensation shall be the same as that set in subsection (A) of this section. In addition, the representative of the Regional Elders Council shall receive per diem for each day or part of a day the representative is away from his/her village of residence to attend a meeting of the assembly. The per diem rate shall be the same as that set in subsection (B) of this section.

D. On or after July 1st of each year, the assembly shall appoint two youth representatives on the assembly as advisory seats. The two youth representatives shall be nonvoting members whose primary role shall include providing recommendations and support to assembly members. The mayor may nominate one or more youth for the assembly to consider for the two appointments on an annual basis with a term ending June 30th of each calendar year. No youth representative may serve more than a single one-year term. The position shall be open to all Northwest Arctic Borough residents between the ages of 16 and 21 years of age. Nominations shall be made by submission of letters of interest to the mayor. The rate of compensation shall be ~~\$100.00~~ \$150.00 per meeting attended. In addition, the youth representative shall receive per diem for each day or part of a day the representative is away from his/her village of residence to attend a meeting of the assembly. The per diem rate shall be the same as that set in subsection (B) of this section. (Ord 13-01, 2013; Ord. 08-01 § 1, 2008; Ord. 07-01 § 1, 2007; Ord. 01-07 § 1, 2001; Ord. 99-01 § 1, 1999; Ord. 97-05 § 1, 1997; Ord. 96-10 § 1, 1996; Ord. 91-04am2 § 1, 1991; Ord. 91-04am, 1991; Ord. 86-13 § 1, 1986; Code 1986 § 2.04.040)

Section 2: This code ordinance shall be effective after the regular election in October 2013.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 29TH DAY OF JANUARY 2013.



Walter G. Sampson, Assembly President

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 29TH DAY OF JANUARY 2013.



Reggie Joule, Mayor

ATTESTED TO THIS 29TH DAY OF JANUARY 2013.



Amanda Sage, Borough Clerk

ATTEST:

**First Reading: January 3, 2013
Second Reading: January 29, 2013**

