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SITKA COMMISSION ON HEALTH NEEDS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Regular Commission Meeting

January 15, 2008 Noon

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**Work Session**

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A work-session was declared due to the lack of a quorum.

Members Present: Cliff Tincher, & Christy Anderson

Absent: Kelly Ferguson, Pat Alexander & Stephen Warren

Cliff – gave an overview of the roles and mission of our Commission to Sitka Tribe of Alaska Employees Robi Craig and Jeff Sheakley.

Jeff Sheakley provided a report “Sitka Tribe of Alaska Childcare Needs Assessment Spring 2007” on the childcare survey that was distributed. The key issues compiled from the survey include:

- Cost of Childcare
- Availability of care for infants and toddlers
- Single working parents
- Need for flexible hours
- Location
- Transportation

The report can be found on:

[www.surveymonkey.com/sr.aspx?sm+QLYWL2ZIO93M5eExr02buyrrJFFZhY51MuoEE5OQE](http://www.surveymonkey.com/sr.aspx?sm+QLYWL2ZIO93M5eExr02buyrrJFFZhY51MuoEE5OQE)  
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Robi Craig - gave an overview of some of the programs that she works with. STA acquired a grant that supplies one tribal employee to each of the schools to use as a resource for parents, students & teachers. The employees have diverse backgrounds (not necessarily social services). STA and the school look for a good fit when hiring.

Janine Schooler BMS

Audrey Beam – MS/Social Sciences – Keet Goshi Heen

Patricia Raisch – Baranof

Sitka Boys & Girls Club – Funded by STA and looking for more funding. Hoping to relocate to the Rasmussen Building. Currently located at 601 Alice Loop Road.

**NEXT REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING** -

February 18<sup>th</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor SEARHC Board Room

Sincerely,

Linda Speerstra

Contractual Secretary