



## SITKA POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION

Wednesday, July 26, 2023  
Centennial Hall – 5:30 PM



### Regular Meeting Minutes

#### A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Present: Gail Roderick, James Mellema, Gregg Olson and Leslie Young via Zoom

City Staff: Chief Warren, Lt Achee, Assemblymember Pike and Exc. Assistant Serena Wild

#### B. AGENDA CHANGES/CORRESPONDENCE

Commission had received an email from Loyd Platson, resigning from his position on the Commission. Chairman Olson expressed thanks for the time Platson served.

#### C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 28, 2023

**Motion: Motion by Mellema to approve the June 28, 2023 minutes.**

**Action: Motion passed by unanimous consent.**

#### D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Mary Coulter came forward to express small business concerns regarding tourists.

#### E. PARKING CITATION HEARING BOARD

#### F. REPORTS

Chair - had recently attended the Town Hall regarding Commercial Passenger Vehicles.

Chief Warren – will have training opportunities coming up in the fall for Fire Fighter and Hazmat. Working on a recruitment retention plan and have two EMTs attending paramedic school.

#### G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Discussion Title 11 “Vehicles and Traffic” of the Sitka General Code by repealing Chapter 11.56 “Taxicabs” and replacing with Chapter 11.55 “Commercial Passenger Vehicles”

Municipal Administrator, John Leach, shared that a Town Hall was held regarding Commercial Passenger Vehicles. The goal of the Town Hall was to identify current issues and suggest solutions. Since the Town Hall, he has received a lot of good input and it will be a lengthy process to reach an ordinance. Assembly members Pike and Mosher are sponsoring the ordinance and it is now with City Hall to be crafted. Once the ordinance is drafted, it will come back to the Police & Fire Commission for public comment.

**H. NEW BUSINESS**

**I. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

**J. NEXT MEETING DATE AND AGENDA ITEMS**

Next meeting: **Wednesday, August 23, 2023 @ Harrigan Centennial Hall**

Agenda items:

**K. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair adjourned the meeting at 5:45 PM.