
Health Needs and Human Services Commission Minutes

Wednesday, July 21, 2021 12:00 p.m.
Harrigan Centennial Hall / Teleconference

Commission Members:

Charlie Woodcock, Cecilia Dumouchel, Doug Osborne, Stephanie Hawney,
Tristan Guevin, Lakota Harden, Lexi Fish Hackett
Crystal Duncan (Assembly Liaison)

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Woodcock called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Charlie Woodcock (teleconference), Cecilia Dumouchel (teleconference), Stephanie Hawney (teleconference), Tristan Guevin (teleconference) Lexi Fish Hackett (teleconference)

Commissioners Absent: Doug Osborne (excused), and Lakota Harden (excused)

Assembly Liaison: Crystal Duncan (excused)

Staff: Deputy Clerk Jess Earnshaw (teleconference)

III. CORRESPONDENCE / AGENDA CHANGES

Commissioner Guevin requested that the new business item be moved to unfinished business.

IV. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

Gail Young spoke about the Sitka Homeless Coalition goals and objectives for developing housing for adults experiencing homelessness in Sitka.

Dan Etulain expressed the need for tiny homes in Sitka for the homeless. Felt that tiny houses would provide stability for residents and provide housing for those who need an option.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. June 16, 2021

M – Guevin moved to approve the June 16, 2021 minutes as written. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

VI. REPORTS

Chair – Chair Woodcock announced that he would be relocating to Iowa for another position. Stated that this would be his last meeting on the commission.

Commissioners – Guevin said that Sitka Tribe of Alaska offices were closed to the public and would be working from home for the next two weeks due to the current COVID-19 increase in cases. Dumouchel said that her place of employment was also working from home due to high case loads of COVID-19.

Assembly Liaison –None.

City Staff – Jess Earnshaw requested for all notify her if they would not be able to attend the next meeting on August 18th.

Other: None.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

B. People of the Global Majority in Sitka 2021 Health Report

Commissioners reviewed their timeline on report. Hawney told of progress on the historical and context portion of the report. She noted that she needs more information from the others. Dumouchel spoke to the importance of the timeline for the subjects that each member was responsible for. Commission discussed the overall importance of having a simple, concise with short stories, data, and accessible report that would benefit all. Commissioners gave thoughts on the structure of the report. Discussions on whether the report would be a multi-year project, long term and whether it would online that include an updated dashboard.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

None.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

M – Guevin moved to adjourn the meeting. Seeing no objections, the meeting adjourned at 1:03 p.m.

Attest:
Jess Earnshaw, Deputy Clerk