



# City and Borough of Sitka

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## **SITKA HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

Regular Monthly Meeting

**Harrigan Centennial Hall**

June 9, 2021 6 p.m.

### **FINAL MINUTES**

#### **I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**

**Chair Littlefield called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.**

Present: Roby Littlefield (Chair), James Poulson, Ana Dittmar, Scott Saline, Crystal Duncan

Absent: Chuck Miller, Bob Sam

Staff: Amy Ainslie, Ben Mejia

Public: Anne Pollnow, Linda Trierschild

#### **II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

#### **III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. April 22, 2021 minutes

**M-Poulson/S-Dittmar moved to approve the April 22, 2021 minutes. Motion passed 4-0 by voice vote.**

#### **IV. GUESTS &/OR PERSONS TO BE HEARD**

Anne Pollnow voiced concern that the work being done around No Name Creek may have impacts outside of the identified area potential impact on shell middens.

#### **V. REPORTS & CORRESPONDENCE**

Saline brought attention to his concern that pieces of cemetery statues and tombstones have been unlawfully vandalized and taken from the Russian Orthodox cemetery over a period of several decades. Saline expressed interest in finding appropriate actions that could be taken for the return of the removed items.

Poulson informed the Commission of the Fraser Hall open house that had taken place, where the progress of preservation works was shown. Poulson also reported that the Sitka Maritime Heritage Society has resumed work parties on the Japonski Island boathouse.

#### **VI. OLD BUSINESS**

##### **B. Historic Preservation Plan**

Mejia reported that there was no update regarding the Historic Preservation Plan, that a special meeting was yet to be scheduled for STA cultural resource committee review.

##### **C. Commissioner Recruitment**

Mejia informed the Commission that staff continued to advertise the vacant Commission seat, though no applications had been received. Mejia informed Commissioners of upcoming seat expirations for Dittmar and Littlefield. Dittmar

stated that she would be taking time off for the summer and therefore would not reapply for a few months. Littlefield requested information for reapplying. Ainslie stated that the clerk's office would email with application information.

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

**D. Progress Update on St. Peter's CLG grant project**

Anne Pollnow and Linda Trierschild updated the Commission on the status of the CLG grant project for survey work and historic structures report of St. Peter's Episcopal Church and the See House. Pollnow stated that a draft report had been submitted in collaboration with the National Park Service and the the firm, FFA. Pollnow explained that the report provided a condition assessment of architectural features of the historic resources for the basis of future historic preservation projects.

**E. Section 106 – Cell Tower on Harbor Mountain Bypass Road**

The Commission reviewed the location and plans of the project. No historic resources were identified within the site radius. No additional comments were provided for applicant consideration during Section 106 review.

**F. Discussion/Direction to change the regular meeting time from 6:00 pm on the second Wednesday each month to 12:00 pm on the second Wednesday each month**

The Commission decided to postpone any motion on this item until all Commission members were present. The Commission agreed to schedule the July 14, 2021 meeting at noon for Commissioners as a trial period.

**VIII. SET NEXT MEETING DATE(S):**

(2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the Month, 12 pm **Harrigan Centennial Hall**)

**Wednesday, July 14, 2021** – Regular Monthly Meeting

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

Seeing no objections, Chair Littlefield adjourned the meeting at 6:49 PM.