



# City and Borough of Sitka

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## ***SITKA HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION***

Regular Monthly Meeting

**Harrigan Centennial Hall**

August 11, 2021 12 p.m.

### **FINAL MINUTES**

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

**Chair Littlefield called the meeting to order at 12:10pm.**

Present: Roby Littlefield (Chair), Bob Sam, Chuck Miller, James Poulson, Crystal Duncan (Assembly liaison)

Absent: Scott Saline

Staff: Ben Mejia, Amy Ainslie

Public: Maegan Bosak

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

**M-Poulson/S-Miller moved to approve the agenda. Motion passed 4-0 by voice vote.**

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

A. July 14, 2021 minutes

**M-Poulson/S-Miller to approve the July 14, 2021 minutes with a correction to the spelling of the name of the nonextant clan house at 424 Katlian Avenue. Motion passed 4-0 by voice vote.**

Littlefield noted that the name of the clan house formerly at 424 Katlian Avenue was incorrect in the draft minutes. Littlefield and Miller provided the correct spelling for Aanigayaa Hit as well as the caretaker, Watla.aan.

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

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

Mejia congratulated Poulson on being reinstated to the Commission the previous day.

Sam updated the Commission on cemetery conservation work done with students from Outer Coast at the Alaska Native Brotherhood Cemetery on Indian River Road. Sam commented that the name "Indian River Road" was incorrect. Poulson suggested that an item be added to a future agenda to recommend a name suggestion.

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

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## B. Historic Preservation Plan

Mejia informed the Commission that staff was working to schedule a special meeting with the Cultural Resources Committee of Sitka Tribe of Alaska. Miller explained that due to the recent increase in COVID cases, scheduling meetings had become challenging but that he would coordinate with Mejia and Ainslie to schedule a special meeting.

## C. Commissioner Recruitment

Mejia informed the Commission that the vacant positions were posted and that as of the time of the meeting, no applications had been received.

## VII. NEW BUSINESS

### D. Construction at 206 Park Street

**M-Poulson/S-Miller moved to recommend approval for construction at 206 Park Street. Motion passed 4-0 by voice vote.**

Mejia informed the Commission that the project was to replace a deck to a building constructed in 1998 at 206 Park Street. Poulson noted that as the structure was not historic and the proposal was for the replacement of a deck, there was little impact to the historic character of the neighborhood. The Commission agreed.

### E. Construction at 611 and 621 Alice Loop

**M-Poulson/S-Miller moved to recommend approval for construction at 611 and 621 Alice Loop. Motion passed 4-0 by voice vote.**

Mejia informed the Commission that the project were the remaining pieces of the applicant's development plan on Alice Loop, as the Commission had previously voiced their support for the applicant's project at 631 Alice Loop. Maegan Bosak, who represented the applicant, was present. Bosak told the Commission that the project was for Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium (SEARHC) to provide staff housing. Littlefield noted that the site was where a tree that had been used to dry herring eggs had been removed along with eagle trees. Bosak noted that these actions had been done before SEARHC ownership of the property. Sam noted that while photos showed historic use of the site, historic resources were likely removed from the site. The Commission voiced support for the project.

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

(2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the Month, 6pm **Harrigan Centennial Hall**)  
**Wednesday, September 8, 2021** – Regular Monthly Meeting

## IX. ADJOURNMENT

Seeing no objections, Chair Littlefield adjourned the meeting at 12:37pm.

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