



SITKA POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION

Wednesday, April 27, 2022
Centennial Hall – 5:30 PM



Regular Meeting Minutes

A. CALL TO ORDER

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

Present: Leslie Young, Gregg Olson, Gail Roderick, James Mellema and Loyd Platson

City Staff: Chief Warren, Chief Baty, Exc. Assistant Serena Wild and Assembly Member Duncan

B. AGENDA CHANGES/CORRESPONDENCE

The Commission received an email from the Municipal Clerk regarding a request from the Assembly for the Commission to address Snow Removal in Sitka. Item Snow Removal was added to New Business.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 23, 2022

Motion: M-Mellema/S-Platson to approve the March 23, 2022 minutes.

Action: Motion passed by unanimous consent.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Susan Jensen came forward to continue to raise public awareness regarding human trafficking. Youth Advocates of Sitka will be receiving a federal funds to help with the human trafficking in Sitka.

E. PARKING CITATION HEARING BOARD

F. REPORTS

1. Liaison – the Assembly would like the Commission to investigate snow removal in Sitka. Once P&F Commission has recommendations, they would go onto the Health Needs and Human Services Commission before the Assembly.
2. Chief Baty – an officer recently retired. Hire a Temp MSO for the busy summer cruise season. All City departments changed from dialing 9 for an outside line to dialing 8 for an outside line to try and curb the false 911 calls the Dept gets on a daily basis. Hoping SEARHC will also change their outside line dialing.
3. Chief Warren – fully staffed but still have a volunteer shortage, like most of the country. Gearing up for the cruise season as call volume does go up.

G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. Police & Fire Commission Meeting Time
Commission decided to let the meeting time stand.
2. Snow Removal
The Assembly would like the Commission to find areas of concern regarding Snow Removal around Sitka. No direction was given by the Assembly on how to achieve this objective.

I. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Olson expressed concern about how much personal time it might take the Commissioners to address and research the Snow Removal issue.

J. NEXT MEETING DATE AND AGENDA ITEMS

Next meeting: **Wednesday, May 25, 2022 @ Harrigan Centennial Hall**
Agenda items: Snow Removal

K. ADJOURNMENT

Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:04 PM.