



Sitka Port and Harbors Commission Minutes

January 15, 2025, 6:00PM
Harrigan Centennial Hall

Port and Harbors Commission Members:

Andrew Callistini, Jorgen Eliason, Tyler Green
Justin Peeler, Shauna Thornton, Tamy Stevenson,
Chris Ystad (Assembly Liaison)

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Thornton called to order at 6:05 PM

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Andrew Callistini, Tyler Green, Shauna Thornton, Tamy Stevenson, Chris Ystad
Absent: Jorgen Eliason, Justin Peeler
Staff: Harbormaster Stan Eliason

III. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

IV. AGENDA CHANGES

None.

V. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

None.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of October 9, 2024, meeting minutes
Motion to approve the minutes as written.

**M- Stevenson moved to approve the October 9, 2024, meeting minutes S-Callistini.
Motion passed unanimously.**

VII. REPORTS

Harbormaster – 2023 Raw fish tax check was down from the previous years. There is a vessel in the channel on the State tide lands. We took 2nd place in the 50/50 Grant that we applied for to help with the Eliason Harbor electrical upgrades. Harbors are fully staffed now.

City Staff – None.

Chair –None.

Assembly Liaison –Ystad presented at the Fisheries Legislative Task Force where he advocated for an increase in the funding to the Harbor Matching Grant Program.

Other (s) –None.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

B. Passenger for hire fees:

Discussion was had about adding a fee to passenger for hire vessels. Direction was given to have it taken to the City Attorney to review.

A. Vessel Insurance

Discussion was had about derelict vessel salvage and possibly adding an annual fee for uninsured vessels. Eliason will do research on this and bring it back to the commission by January 2025.

B. Parking lots (3/10 day)

IX. NEW BUSINESS

C. Election of chair and vice chair

Motion to reelect Shauna Thornton as Chair

M-Stevenson S-Callistini, motion passed unanimously.

Motion to elect Andrew Callistini as vice chair

M-Stevenson S-Green, motion failed unanimously.

Motion to reelect Tamy Stevenson as vice chair

M-Callistini S-Green, motion passed unanimously.

X. SET NEXT MEETING DATE AND AGENDA ITEMS

- February 12, 2025 at 6:00 PM
- Marine fuel tax
- Grant funding for 2025
- Dock stall ID

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Thornton adjourned the meeting at 7:50 PM

Attest: Alicia Soto, Office Assistant