
SITKA PORT AND HARBORS COMMISSION

Regular Commission Meeting Minutes

December 9, 2015

Sealing Cove Business Center

I. CALL TO ORDER Chair Knox called the meeting to order at 6pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Kevin Knox, Josh Arnold, Melissa Greenhalgh, Eric Skousen, Michael Nurco

Members Absent: Mary Ann Peterson

Others Present: Harbor Master Stan Eliason, Deputy Harbor Master Charles Hackett, Chief Finance Jay Sweeney, Secretary Kacie Rear

Members of the Public: None

III. CHANGES TO AGENDA- Combined 2016 Rates and Fees with Jay Sweeney's financial report.

MOTION: **M-J.Arnold / S-M.Greenhalgh** moved to approve the minutes from the November 12, 2015 meeting.

ACTION: Motion **PASSED unanimously** on a voice vote.

IV. CORRESPONDENCE – Ron Pratt was recognized at Alaska Association of Harbormasters and Port Administrators as 2015 Sitka Employee of the Year.

V. PERSONS TO BE HEARD - None

VI. REPORTS

1. Harbormaster-

- a. Transient Float-** The first 61ft transient float was launched in the water. PND have 15 more floats to launch and hope to get ¾ of the way done before Christmas.
 - b. Baranof Hot Springs-** The hot springs is in DOT hands and Harbormaster Eliason will keep the committee updated when more information is acquired.
 - c. Herring Sac Roe-** Harbormaster Stan reported that Alaska Department of Fish and Game put out a news release about the 2016 Herring Sac Roe Fishery. In the news release they say that the 2016 forecast is more than the 2015 forecast. There is a possibility that there will be more herring sac roe vessels for the 2016 year.
- 2. City Staff-** Chief of Finance Jay Sweeney gave the commission a FY2015 financial report.
 - 3. Chair- None**
 - 4. Other(s)-** M. Nurco asked about how the old floating breakwater will be disposed.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **Waitlist Discussion-** Discussed solutions on how to get the 8 year waitlist shorter.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Report from Planning Committee meeting-** Tim Fulton's unique request for a B&B/Short-term rental was not passed due to how sewage requirements would be reached and the complexity of zoning.

IX. GENERAL DISCUSSION

X. CLOSING

1. **Next Meeting Agenda Items**

- 2016 Rate and Fees/ Jay Sweeney
- Waitlist Discussion

2. **Next meeting Date** – Sealing Cove Business Center January 13, 2015 at 6 pm

3. **Adjournment** – Knox adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm

Prepared by: Kacie Rear
Secretary