



# City and Borough of Sitka

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## **SITKA PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**

May 14, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Third Floor Conference Room, City Hall

Present: Clara Whitehead, Jeff Mossige, Jeff Feldpausch, Ken Corson, Hans vonRekowski,

Excused: Chris Whitehead, Kay Turner

Absent:

Ex Officio: Amanda Johnson, STW

Staff: Lynne Brandon, Gary Baugher,

Others: Ben Miyasato (Assembly Liaison)

**Approval of Minutes:** *(Motion: Feldpausch): Approve April 19, 2015 minutes. Passed unanimously.*

**Changes to the Agenda:** None.

**Correspondence:** Ken shared the email letter from the Governor's Office regarding the closure of the State Parks.

**Persons to be Heard:** None.

### **Unfinished Business:**

Edgecumbe Drive update – The Edgecumbe Drive signage plan for the shared use path (SUP) was discussed by the group. The cyclists and pedestrians in the SUP will have stop signs at intersections. A “Yield to Pedestrians” sign will be at every intersection. “Steep Grade” signs will be added to steep sections. Designers decided that the fast bike riders should share the road with cars. The group decided “Fast Moving Cyclists Use the Road” is the most appropriate sign language after considering an array of signs that was presented. These signs will be included on steep grades. Members decided share-road symbols painted on the road won't be necessary since most Sitka streets are only set up to function as a shared roadway. No street signs for motorists regarding pedestrians and bikes are included. Cross walks will only be painted at Edgecumbe/Kimsham and Edgecumbe/Charteris. Cyclists and pedestrians in the SUP will be responsible for yielding to motorists.

### **New Business:**

Commercial Use Permit Application R&R Marine: *(M:Feldpausch):To recommend administrator approve R&R Marine commercial use application for Baranof Warm Springs boardwalk. Passed unanimously.*

**Reports:**

PR Manager's Report –P&R Manager's Report: Moller Field Mound: Mound moves are much more efficient with the reinforcement and lift points. The trailer is being constructed which will increase the efficiency of moving it as well. Budget: Final reading set for 6/9/15. Parks budget is flat again. Hrebar Repairs: Set for Jeremy Twaddle to complete the berm work by mid-July.

Wayfinding project: The consultant working with Sitka Convention and Visitor's Bureau is moving along slowly but should be completed by the end of September.

Trails: Cross 4/5: The Yaw Drive separated path is complete and work is underway from the end of Baranof Street at the cemetery end of the Baranof/Gavan Trail connector. The Pherson neighborhood access changed location to be on CBS property at the end of the cul-de-sac since USGS vetoed the parking lot on their land. A Corps permit modification for the new location should be completed this week. Yaw to Indian River: The spectacular USCG Chiefs Crew helped fix up this section of the Cross Trail

Ballfields, Parks and Greenspace - Grounds Crew – Hired three so far. Niles Wilbur will be returning the first part of June. Crescent Planting – The Arbor Day event will be May 20. Tree and Landscape will be planting 8 Sargent's crabapples along the road at Crescent Park.

**Discussion:** None

**Comments:** None.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 1:30 PM

**Next meeting:** **Thursday, July 9 at City Hall.**