

# SITKA POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION

Wednesday, September 23, 2015

Centennial Hall

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## Regular Meeting Minutes

### A. CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Jones called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Present: Gwen Lazzarini, Lisa Baugher and Don Jones

City Staff: Assembly Member Swanson, Chief Miller, Chief Schmitt, SPD Executive Assistant Serena Wild

### B. AGENDA CHANGES/CORRESPONDENCE

### C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 3, 2015

**Motion: M-Baugher/S-Lazzarini to September 3, 2015 minutes.**

**Action: Motion passed by unanimous consent.**

### D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

John Stein came forward and shared concerns about the speed limit at the Jamestown Bay hill. His hope is to eventually get the speed limit on the hill lower.

### E. PARKING CITATION HEARING BOARD

1. Sheila Culhane – came forward, appeal was granted

### F. REPORTS

1. Vice-Chair – recognized Joe Reeves for his years of service to the Commission.
2. Liaison – the marijuana task force was still looking for members. Loyd Platson's application for the P&F Commission was approved at the last Assembly meeting.
3. Chief Schmitt – has in past had the speed limit lower in areas and will look into the Jamestown Bay area. Major investigation lately was the arrest of the Boys & Girls Club director on sexual abuse of a minor. Block house has had a rash of vandalisms with headstones being turned over as well, currently under investigation.
4. Fire Chief – last month was busy and the bid for the cleanup of the landslide will be going out soon. The oil spill area still has diesel showing up but are working on finding the source.

### G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### H. NEW BUSINESS

1. Presentation by Doug Osborne

Osborne is in charge of the Health Needs Commission at Sitka Community Hospital and is currently working on drafting an ordinance banning talking on a cell phone while driving, unless it is hands free. Osborne has a petition and is collecting signatures in support of the ordinance. He is concerned about distracted driving in Sitka and will be conducting a study on it to see how many drivers are doing things while driving.

**Motion: M-Lazzarini/S-Baugher to approve the 2015 Safe Street Focused Drivers ordinance as so written.**

**Action: Motion passed by unanimous consent.**

2. Appointment of new Chair  
Lisa Baugher was nominated for Chair

**I. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

**J. NEXT MEETING DATE AND AGENDA ITEMS**

Next meeting: **Wednesday, October 28, 2015 @ Fire Hall**  
Agenda items:

**K. ADJOURNMENT**

Jones adjourned the meeting at 7:30 pm.