



SITKA POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION

Wednesday, August 28, 2024
Centennial Hall – 5:30 PM



Regular Meeting Minutes

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM.

Present: Leslie Young, James Mellema, and Gregg Olson
City Staff: Chief Warren, Chief Baty, Assemblymember Pike and Exc. Assistant Serena Wild

B. AGENDA CHANGES/CORRESPONDENCE

Taylor Scott-Moelder withdrew her parking ticket appeal.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 24, 2024

Motion: Motion by Young to approve the July 24, 2024 minutes.

Action: Motion passed by unanimous consent.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

E. PARKING CITATION HEARING BOARD

1. Alec Cunningham – submitted a written appeal, appeal was denied
2. Taylor Scott-Moelder – appeal was withdrawn

F. REPORTS

1. Chief Baty – shared that 2024 National Night Out was a success with lots of participants.
2. Chief Warren – shared there was a small boat fire recently and business as usual around the Station.

G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. Presentation from Assemblymembers Carlson and Pike regarding E-Bikes
Assemblymembers Carlson and Pike were seeking feedback from the Commission on how to address the safety concerns surrounding rental e-bikes in Sitka. They shared a focus on the need for safety measures due to the potential hazards for both visitors and locals and proposed a potential strategy that includes informational signage, educational programs for renters, and a clear definition of e-bikes. They would like to address the issues without enforcement being the main focus or banning of e-bikes.

I. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Assembly liaison thanked the Commission for their service. Olson and Young will be out of town for the September meeting but will try to Zoom in.

J. NEXT MEETING DATE AND AGENDA ITEMS

Next meeting: **Wednesday, September 25, 2024 @ Harrigan Centennial Hall**

Agenda items:

K. ADJOURNMENT

Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:48 PM.