



Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees, and Commissions
City and Borough of Sitka

Board/Commission/Committee: Tax Task Force
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Length of Residence in Sitka: 16 years Registered to vote in Sitka? Yes No
Employer: N/A

Organizations you belong to or participate in:

I do not currently belong to any local organizations. I recently closed my business and retired.

Explain your main reason for applying:

I am very concerned about Sitka's financial situation now and in the future .

What background, experience or credentials will you bring to the board, commission, or committee membership?
I have a Master's Degree in School Administration and experience in developing and administering school and school district budgets.

Please disclose any potential conflicts of interest that may arise from your appointment. These may include but are not limited to:

- A substantial financial interest of \$1000 annually that could be influenced by your appointment.
- An immediate family member employed within the scope of this appointment.

There are no conflicts of interest.

Please attach a letter of interest, outline, or resume which includes your education, work, and volunteer experience that will enhance your membership.

→ (To be considered, your application must be complete AND be accompanied by one of the above supporting documents.)

Date: 07/08/2015 Signature: Dyan E. Bessette

Your complete application and resume should be returned to the Municipal Clerk's Office by noon on the Wednesday prior to an advertised Assembly meeting. Applications received after the deadline will be considered but will not be included in the Assembly packets for review prior to appointment.

Appointments are normally made during open session of an Assembly meeting, however, Assembly members may vote to discuss applicant(s) in closed executive session. In this case, do you wish to be present when your application is discussed? Yes No

Return to:
Melissa Henshaw, Deputy Clerk/Records Specialist
100 Lincoln Street
Fax: 907-747-7403

July 08, 2015

Dear Sitka Assembly Members,

Please accept my application for the Sitka Tax Task Force. Eighteen years ago I visited Sitka, accompanying a high school basketball team to a state tournament. Sitka won my heart in a matter of a few days. I liked the people and the gorgeous surroundings and I committed to returning to Sitka when I retired.

Now, seventeen years later, I am a retired citizen and love it here just as I did then. It is just as I saw it when I first came to Sitka.

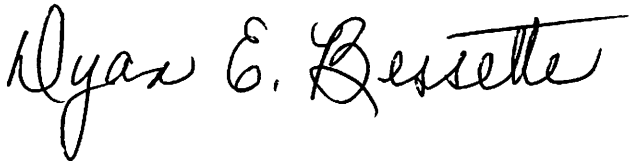
Because I love Sitka and have lived here for the past seventeen years, I hope you will consider me for a volunteer position on the Sitka Tax Task Force. My concern is for the economic future of our city.

My background includes thirty years in education as a teacher and an administrator, most of which has been in Alaska. During this time I received a masters in administration and I have experience developing and administering budgets for school districts, individual schools and multiple districts at the same time.

While some folks sit back and complain about the current state of fiscal affairs in Sitka, I know you, the Assembly, have a difficult challenge to face. I would appreciate the opportunity to make a difference and to work within a team using my training and expertise.

I am willing to commit to whatever time it takes as I have few other obligations. I am willing to work hard. I wish to thank you for considering me for this position.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ryan E. Bessette". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the name.