

CONSENT AGENDA

POSSIBLE MOTION

I MOVE TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA
CONSISTING OF ITEMS A, B, & C.

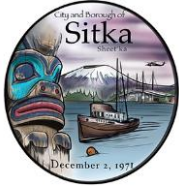
I wish to remove Item(s) _____

REMINDER – When making the motion to approve the consent agenda, please read the title of each item being voted on that is included in the consent vote.

If this item is pulled from the consent agenda the following motion would be in order:

POSSIBLE MOTION

I MOVE TO approve the minutes of the April 9 and 14 Assembly meetings.



CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA

ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS
330 Harbor Drive
Sitka, AK
(907)747-1811

Minutes - Draft

City and Borough Assembly

*Mayor Steven Eisenbeisz,
Deputy Mayor Timothy Pike,
Vice Deputy Mayor JJ Carlson,
Kevin Mosher, Scott Saline,
Thor Christianson, Katie Riley*

*Municipal Administrator: John Leach
Municipal Attorney: Rachel Jones
Municipal Clerk: Sara Peterson*

Thursday, April 9, 2026

5:00 PM

Assembly Chambers

SPECIAL MEETING

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. FLAG SALUTE

III. RECITAL OF LANDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

IV. ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Christianson, Mosher, Eisenbeisz, Pike, Carlson, and Saline

Remote: 1 - Riley

V. NEW BUSINESS:

Assistant Municipal Administrator Josh Branthoover reviewed the interview process for the evening.

A 26-058 Municipal Administrator applicant interview - Jenny Alber (Zoom 5:00 p.m.)

The Assembly interviewed Jenny Alber.

B 26-059 Municipal Administrator applicant interview - Matthew "Zeke" Jackson (Zoom 6:15 p.m.)

Jackson withdrew application - no interview.

C 26-060 Municipal Administrator applicant interview - Steven Dahl (Zoom 7:30 p.m.)

The Assembly interviewed Steven Dahl.

D 26-061 Discussion/ Direction/ Decision regarding tonight's interviews (possible executive session)

A motion was made by Carlson to go into executive session to discuss subjects that may tend to prejudice the reputation and character of Municipal Administrator Candidates Jenny Alber and Steven Dahl and invite in Assistant Municipal Administrator Josh Branthoover. In addition, I move to exclude the Municipal Administrator and Municipal Attorney. The motion PASSED by the following vote.

Yes: 7 - Eisenbeisz, Christianson, Riley, Mosher, Saline, Carlson, and Pike

The Assembly met in executive session from 7:30 p.m. to 8:18 p.m. After reconvening in regular session, Eisenbeisz made the following statement, "The Assembly met in executive session to discuss the interviewees. We have decided to continue on in the process, and we'll be reaching out to both applicants to schedule further interviews."

A motion was made by Christianson to reconvene as the Assembly in regular session. The motion PASSED by a unanimous voice vote.

VI. PERSONS TO BE HEARD:

None.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Christianson to ADJOURN. Hearing no objections, the meeting ADJOURNED at 8:20 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
Sara Peterson, MMC
Municipal Clerk



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Tuesday, April 14, 2026

6:00 PM

Assembly Chambers

REGULAR MEETING

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. FLAG SALUTE

III. RECITAL OF LANDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

IV. ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Christianson, Mosher, Pike, Carlson, Saline, and Riley

Absent: 1 - Eisenbeisz

V. CORRESPONDENCE/AGENDA CHANGES

No agenda changes.

[26-070](#)

Reminders, Calendars, and General Correspondence

VI. CEREMONIAL MATTERS

None.

VII. **SPECIAL REPORTS: Government to Government, Municipal Boards/Commissions/Committees, Municipal Departments, School District, Students and Guests (five minute time limit)**

[26-068](#)

Department Quarterly Reports - Public Works and Harrigan Centennial Hall

Department quarterly reports were given by Public Works Director Mark Seavey and

Harrigan Centennial Hall Building Manager Tony Rosas.

VIII. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

Garry White and Sherri Blankenship provided an overview of the Southeast Alaska Business Alliance (SEBA), a new workforce development initiative. Bobby Pendleton discussed the Community Land Trust model as an approach to provide stable housing. Angie Bowers and Kristin Reynolds shared updates on a mariculture facility project at University of Alaska Southeast.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Riley that the Consent Agenda consisting of Items A & B be APPROVED. The motion PASSED by the following vote.

Yes: 6 - Christianson, Mosher, Pike, Carlson, Saline, and Riley

Absent: 1 - Eisenbeisz

A [26-064](#) Approve the minutes of the March 24 and 25 Assembly meetings

This item was APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA.

B [26-065](#) Approve the following liquor license and endorsement renewal applications: 1) DPJT, Inc dba Nugget Restaurant at 600 Airport Road, Suite A, 2) Harbor Mountain Brewing Company LLC at 1209 Sawmill Creek Road Suite A, 3) Bayview Pub, LLC dba Bayview Restaurant at 407 Lincoln Street, Suite 201, and 4) The Sitka Hotel, LLC at 118 Lincoln Street

This item was APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA.

X. BOARD, COMMISSION, COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

C [26-066](#) Appoint Chad Goeden to a three-year term on the Investment Committee

A motion was made by Mosher that this Item be APPROVED. The motion PASSED by the following vote.

Yes: 6 - Christianson, Mosher, Pike, Carlson, Saline, and Riley

Absent: 1 - Eisenbeisz

XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

D [ORD 26-07](#) Making supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 2026 (snow removal)

A motion was made by Mosher that this Ordinance be APPROVED on SECOND AND FINAL READING. The motion PASSED by the following vote.

Yes: 6 - Christianson, Mosher, Pike, Carlson, Saline, and Riley

Absent: 1 - Eisenbeisz

- E** [26-051](#) Approve and adopt the Sitka Historic Preservation Plan (postponed at March 24 meeting)
- Pike stated the item had been postponed to May 12; however, he noted this was inconsistent with Robert's Rules of Order, which limited postponement to the next regular meeting unless the Assembly had adopted a rule stating otherwise (see item F).
- Municipal Clerk Sara Peterson reviewed the amendment and main motion on the floor.
- Planning and Community Development Director Amy Ainslie requested clarification on the Assembly's goals for replacement of Appendix G. The Assembly discussed whether to adopt the plan without Appendix G, as recommended by the Historic Preservation Commission, or to delay adoption pending further refinement and replacement of Appendix G. Members emphasized the importance of Appendix G and the need for additional outreach.
- Roby Littlefield, Nicole Fiorino, Karen Lucas, and Anne Pollnow spoke in support.
- Motion on the floor from the March 24 meeting: A motion was made by Riley to amend Appendix G to state that it shall sunset one year from adoption and must be replaced prior to sunset. The motion PASSED by the following vote.**
- Yes:** 5 - Carlson, Riley, Saline, Mosher, and Christianson
- No:** 1 - Pike
- Absent:** 1 - Eisenbeisz
- Motion on the floor from the March 24 meeting: A motion was made by Saline that this item be APPROVED. The motion PASSED by the following vote.**
- Yes:** 6 - Christianson, Mosher, Pike, Carlson, Saline, and Riley
- Absent:** 1 - Eisenbeisz

XII. NEW BUSINESS:

New Business First Reading

- F** [ORD 26-08](#) Amending Title 2 "Administration and Personnel", Chapter 2.05 "City and Borough Assembly" of the Sitka General Code by adding Section 2.05.165 "To Postpone To A Certain Time"
- Peterson introduced the item and explained under Robert's Rules, a motion can only be postponed to the next regular meeting. The proposed ordinance would allow postponement to a specified date and time, consistent with past practice.
- A motion was made by Carlson that this Ordinance be APPROVED on FIRST READING. The motion PASSED by the following vote.**
- Yes:** 6 - Christianson, Mosher, Pike, Carlson, Saline, and Riley
- Absent:** 1 - Eisenbeisz

Additional New Business Items

- G** [26-067](#) Approve a lease agreement between the City and Borough of Sitka and Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association, Inc. for Block 4, Lot 1 of the Gary Paxton Industrial Park

Gary Paxton Industrial Park (GPIP) Director Garry White provided an overview. Members discussed the proposed reduced rate versus market rate, funding approach, and accounting concerns. The Assembly considered revisions and possible referral back to the GPIP Board for further work.

A motion was made by Christianson that this Item be APPROVED. The motion FAILED by the following vote.

- Yes:** 2 - Christianson, and Mosher
- No:** 4 - Pike, Carlson, Saline, and Riley
- Absent:** 1 - Eisenbeisz

XIII. PERSONS TO BE HEARD:

Chris Ystad commented on item G.

XIV. REPORTS

a. Mayor, b. Administrator, c. Attorney, d. Liaison Representatives, e. Clerk, f. Other

Administrator - Acting Administrator Branthoover reported on Fire Chief Craig Warren's retirement and the hiring of Brian McLaughlin as interim Fire Chief.

Liaisons - Mosher reported on the Parks & Recreation Committee, Riley reported on the Planning Commission, Carlson reported on the Port and Harbors Commission, and Pike reported on the Sustainability Commission.

Clerk - Peterson reviewed the upcoming meeting schedule.

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Christianson to ADJOURN. Hearing no objections, the meeting ADJOURNED at 9:28 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
Sara Peterson, MMC
Municipal Clerk