



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

Board/Commission/Committee: Health Needs & Human Services Commission

Name: Stephanie Hawney Preferred Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Length of Residence in Sitka: 1.5 years Registered to vote in Sitka? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Employer: Sitka Tribe of Alaska

Organizations you belong to or participate in:  
Sitka Fire Department EMS/SAR

Explain your main reason for applying:

I have been on the Commission the last 10 months and I am very invested in the current project we are working on. I would like to continue to serve my community.

What background, experience or credentials will you bring to the board, commission, or committee membership?

I volunteer as an EMT for the Sitka Fire Department EMS/SAR. I have a background working in behavioral health. I am a licensed chemical dependency counselor.

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.

N/A

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: 10.22.2021 Signature: STEPHANIE HAWNEY

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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.

Please note: all information submitted will be made public and published online. 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:

Jess Earnshaw, Deputy Clerk/Records Specialist, 100 Lincoln Street  
Fax: 907-747-7403 Email: [cityclerk@cityofsitka.org](mailto:cityclerk@cityofsitka.org)

**Stephanie C. Hawney**

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**EDUCATION**

Western Washington University Class of 2012  
Bachelor's degree of Human Services

**CERTIFICATIONS and LICENSES**

Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor I – (March 2021)  
Licensed Alaska State Emergency Medical Technician (EMT1) - National Registry (April 2020)  
HarvardX Certifications in Justice & Citizens Politics (2020)  
RADACT Certification in Working With Diverse Populations (2020)  
Kayak Level 3 Certification Guide- American Canoe Association (2020)  
Mountaineering & Leadership 20 day- International Wilderness Leadership School (2019)  
AIARE I & Avalanche Rescue- Synnott Mountain Guides & American Alpine Institute (2018)

**RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE**

**Court Coordinator/Case Manager/ Community Supervision Officer – Sitka Tribe of Alaska, Healing to Wellness Drug Court- October 2020- Present**

Lead a multi-disciplinary team of tribal and state judges and attorneys to develop policies and procedures to create a Tribal adult drug court to serve the community of Sitka  
Fostered partnerships with mental health treatment providers and social services within the community  
Develop and implemented policies of community supervision for clients that are high risk / high need  
Administer and maintain multiple intake assessments and screens including the LSI-R  
Maintain organized case files and records in accordance with laws governing confidentiality and consent

**Wilderness Expedition Behavioral Health Counselor- Raven's Way/SEARHC-May 2020-Present**

Teach and counsel students who struggle with substance use disorder and co-occurring disorders to manage their triggers, emotional responses, resources, educational, health and legal needs  
Monitor and redirect students as they exhibit their developing independent living skills  
Instruct classes in relapse prevention, drug education and Alaskan history  
Lead and instruct students on 8-day human powered expeditions in the Alaskan Wilderness  
Participate and monitor students as they partake in Native Alaskan art and cultural development classes

**Operations Manager- Haines Skagway Fast Ferry 2016-2020**

Directly managed 9 employees and 2 offices.  
Responsible for daily operations and overall company function  
Naturalize the Upper Lynn Canal with emphasis on unique geographic qualities  
Responsible for line handling, on/off loading passengers and maintaining underway safety  
Create and manage the year-round sailing schedule  
Responsible for making quick decisions regarding safety and efficiency in a fast-paced environment  
Responsible for attentive customer service and interactions.

**Stephanie C. Hawney**

**VOLUNTEERING**

**Commissioner- Health Needs and Human Services Commission of Sitka – January 2021- Present**

- As a Commission we annually identify goals based on local current health information and human services trends.
- Currently writing a 2021 Health Needs Assessment for the City and Borough of Sitka.
- We created a campaign for bike safety and community composting for the city
- We work with the General Assembly to address and implement health and wellness policy for the population of Sitka, Alaska

**EMT - Sitka Mountain Rescue- Search & Rescue- May 2020- Present**

- Practice Search and Rescue technical aspects including high angle rope rescue, GPS coordinate locator and wilderness medicine
- Work collaboratively as a team to rescue community members safely and efficiently
- Understand and practice the Unified Command Structure for leadership and organized efforts.

**EMT- Sitka Fire Department- August 2021 – Present**

- Work collaboratively with emergency medical services responding to 911 calls to provide basic life support and patient transport.
- Assess, treat, stabilize, and transport patients with a variety of conditions relating to traumatic and cardiac injuries, fires, overdoses, anaphylaxis, and other health emergencies.

**Producer- Our Grandparent's Teachings Radio show- KCAW Raven Radio – May 2021- Present**

- Created and managed the programmatic structure of the radio show regarding guest speakers, releases of information, marketing, and scheduling.
- Uplifted the voices of Alaska Native Citizens by creating space for them to share about various topics and expertise, both political and cultural.

**Other Skills/ Certifications**

Cold Injury Medicine Certified 2020

RADACT- Working with Diverse Populations Certified 2020

DOJ Grant Financial Training Certified 2020

NADCP Treatment Provider Training 2020

Intermediate Spanish language – Escuela De La Cooperativa – 2016-2018

Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) certified 2014

International Humanitarian Law Certification - The American Red Cross- 2011



## Health Needs and Human Services Commission

NAME	CONTACT NUMBERS	TERM STARTS	EXPIRES	CATEGORY
CECILIA DUMOUCHEL PO Box 6573	617-871-9842 ckdumouchel@gmail.com	12/8/20	12/8/23	Chair
TRISTAN GUEVIN 200 Seward Street	738-5415 tristan.guevin@gmail.com	3/23/21	1/8/22	Vice Chair
DOUG OSBORNE 222 Tongass Drive	966-8674 douglaso@searhc.org	1/27/15	10/14/17 10/24/20 11/10/23	
STEPHANIE HAWNEY 401 Marine Street #2	253-569-2330 stephanie.hawney@sitkatriben-sn.gov	3/9/21	10/23/21	
LAKOTA HARDEN 113 Metlakatla Street	747-3636 ext. 224 51-827-7689 lharden@scpsak.org	3/23/21	11/26/22	
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CATHERINE MOHN P.O. Box 1302	610-730-0040 catherine.l.mohn@gmail.com	8/24/21	8/24/24	
Jess Earnshaw Deputy Clerk	747-1826 jessica.earnshaw@cityofsitka.org			Secretary
Crystal Duncan PO Box 174	738-1910 assemblyduncan@cityofsitka.org			Assembly Liaison
Thor Christianson 500 Lincoln Street	738-2491 assemblychristianson@cityofsitka.org			Alternate Assembly Liaison

Established by Ordinance 2013-23

7 members, 3-year terms. A vacancy on the commission shall be filled by appointment by the Assembly for any remainder of an unexpired term.

Meeting schedule: 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month; Noon at Harrigan Centennial Hall, 330 Harbor Drive – Meetings are to be held no less than four times per year.

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