



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

Board/Commission/Committee: Historic Preservation Commission  
Name: Roberta (Roby) Littlefield Daytime Phone: [REDACTED]  
Address: [REDACTED] Evening Phone: [REDACTED]  
Email Address: [REDACTED] Fax Number: n/a  
Length of Residence in Sitka: 48 yrs. Registered to vote in Sitka? ☒ Yes ☐ No  
Employer: University of Alaska / Sitka School District

Organizations you belong to or participate in:

Noow Tlein Dancers, Raven Radio Board of Directors, ANS,  
Sitka Kaagwaantaan Dancers, Dog Point Fish Camp / NATIVE inc.

Explain your main reason for applying:

I've served on the Commission since 2008. I'm interested  
in local history and research

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

Experience in documenting oral history and language  
(Tlingit)

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.

NONE

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

\*transmitted by email 5/11/18

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

Date: 5/11/18 Signature: [Signature]

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:

Melissa Henshaw, Deputy Clerk/Records Specialist, 100 Lincoln Street  
Fax: 907-747-7403 Email: melissa.henshaw@cityofsitka.org

Roberta N. (Roby) Littlefield

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Objective:

Tlingit language and cultural instruction; curriculum development; oral history research & documentation; genealogy research; and digital reformatting and archiving reel to reel tapes, cassette and VHS.

Accomplishments:

- Learned to understand, speak, read and write the Tlingit language.
- Founding member or teacher of three traditional Sitka dance groups.
- Developed curricula to instruct other teachers and students in Tlingit language, a series of 15 lessons for beginning language learners.
- Researched, documented, digitized, transcribed and translated local oral history for over 30 years; provided free transcription services to fluent Elders and other language students and community members.
- Founding board member of N.A.T.I.V.E. Inc., 502(c)3 nonprofit corporation in 1991.
- Founder, in 1978, of the Dog Point Children's Fish Camp Cultural and Language Immersion Programs.

Experience:

Adjunct Professor at University of Alaska, Southeast	2009-2018
Digital Archivist and Cultural Specialist for Sitka Tribe	2007-2009
Director of Family Recovery Culture Camps	2000-2003
Tlingit Language Curricula developer for Sealaska Heritage Foundation, Goldbelt Inc., Sitka School District, UASS	1999-2018
Tlingit language instructor in Sitka School district	1994-2018
Drum making, regalia sewing, and traditional art teacher	1986-2018
Board Secretary for NATIVE, Inc. 501(c)3 non-profit	1986-2018
Language instructor for Sitka Native Education Program	1982-1983
Cultural Camp Facilitator for Dog Point Fish Camp	1978-2014
Preschool van driver for Sitka Native Education Program	1976-1981
Traditional foods harvester in Sitka Sound	1972-2018

Education: Transcripts available on request  
Type M teaching certificate valid until 2020

References:

Mary Wegner  
Ben White  
Leslie Gordon  
Ethel Makinen



(no email, Elder)



## HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

NAME	CONTACT NUMBERS	TERM STARTS	EXPIRES	CATEGORY
ROBERTA LITTLEFIELD 4102 Halibut Point Road	738-4004 c 747-3444 h roblytlefield@gci.net	7/13/10 4/24/12 5/27/15	01/27/12 4/24/15 5/27/18	<b>Chair</b> Native community
ANNE POLLNOW PO Box 6326	738-0794 sealevelanne@gmail.com	4/28/15 4/25/17	4/22/17 4/25/20	<b>Vice Chair</b> At large
JAMES POULSON 1610 Sawmill Creek Rd	747-3219 w 747-6567 h sitka@operamail.com	2/22/11 2/25/14	2/22/14 2/25/17 9/8/18	<b>Secretary</b> Historical Society <i>Ozment's term</i>
ANA DITTMAR 217 Marine Street Unit B	623-7537 anadittmar1@hotmail.com	4/10/12 5/27/15	4/10/15 5/27/18	At large
SCOTT SALINE PO Box 3183	738-7889 c shsaline@gci.net	4/26/16	4/26/19	At large
KITTY SOPOW 3414 Halibut Point Road	907-545-2850 kittysopow@gmail.com	2/28/17	2/28/20	At large
ROBERT SAM 456 Katlian Street	623-7097 bob.sam@sitkatriben-sns.gov	2/24/15 2/27/18	2/24/18 2/27/21	STA
NANCY DOUGLAS 416 Lake Street	747-8380 nancy.douglas@sitkatriben-sns.gov	2/27/18	2/27/21	STA (alternate)
Samantha Pierson Planner I	747-1814 samantha.pierson@cityofsitka.org			Staff Liaison/ Secretary
Benjamin Miyasato 405 DeGroff Street	738-8923 assemblymiyasato@cityofsitka.org			Assembly Liaison
Steven Eisenbeisz 208 Lincoln Street	738-3261 assemblyeisenbeisz@cityofsitka.org			Alternate Assembly Liaison

7 members from selected categories 3-year terms

Sitka Historical Society (1), Native Community (2) - one representing Sitka Tribe of Alaska), At-Large (4)

Established by Ordinance 92-1075, Amended by Ordinance 93-1150, Addition by Ordinance 97-1409

Second Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. – Harrigan Centennial Hall, 330 Harbor Drive

Revised: March 1, 2018