

Connie J. Sipe



December 13, 2018

Mayor Gary Paxton
and Members of Assembly
City and Borough of Sitka

Dear Mayor Paxton:

Please find enclosed my resume and an application for a second term on the Sitka Community Hospital Board.

I will bring to the SCH Board my knowledge gained from the three year term that is just coming to a close. I believe I have significantly assisted the hospital by working to guide both SCH management and board members in good governance and wise policy and operational decisions.

I also bring over 37 years of management experience in large budgetary units of state government or private agencies, 29 of those years being in the field of health and social services programs. I most recently retired (2/1/18) after 16 years as director of Center for Community, with its 140+ employees in five communities, and an annual operating budget averaging \$5.2million. In state government, I served as Deputy Commissioner of Health & Social Services for 2 years (which included chairing the Medicaid rate-setting commission for hospitals and nursing homes), and as Director of Senior Services (under two different agency names) for ten years.

I have extensive past and current experience and knowledge of health care trends both nationally and in Alaska, especially with the major payor of state Medicaid. I am experienced in the creation, implementation, trend-monitoring, and analysis of large agency budgets.

Although I am now on inactive, retired status, I am still a member of the Alaska Bar, to which I was admitted in 1975. I am now "mostly" retired, working about one-fifth time as the transit program administrator managing the public transit system at Center for Community. I have lived in Sitka for 18 years, Alaska for 43.

At this time of a possible transition for Sitka Community Hospital, I believe it would be prudent of the Assembly to retain the current SCH board in its current composition, so as to benefit the hospital and the community from the cumulative experience of current board members. I hope my service would be of benefit.

I welcome any questions. Thank you for your consideration. Please note that depending upon which date this matter comes up at an Assembly meeting, I may not be able to attend, as I scheduled some months ago a week-long stay in Anchorage in January 2019 for a medical matter.

Sincerely,



Connie J. Sipe



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

Board/Commission/Committee: Board of Sitka Community Hospital
Name: Connie J. Sipe Preferred Phone: [REDACTED]
Address: [REDACTED] Alternate Phone: None
Email Address: [REDACTED] Fax Number: None
Length of Residence in Sitka: 18 years Registered to vote in Sitka? XXYes No
Employer: Part time employee of Center for Community, as Transit Program Administrator.
Organizations you belong to or participate in: Greater Sitka Legacy Foundation

Explain your main reason for applying: To offer assistance and smooth continuation of hospital board's duties during time of possible transition in hospital's status. To offer governance guidance to management at SCH.

What background, experience or credentials will you bring to the board, commission, or committee membership?
Now in retirement status as an attorney in Alaska, nevertheless I bring my legal background, as well as over 36 years of management of large state and private agencies, including extensive experience with State Medicaid functions and policy. I was director of Center for Community (\$5mill.budget annually) for 16 years. At the State, I was Dep. Commissioner of Health & Social Services two years, and Director of Senior Services for 10 years. Accustomed to managing large budgetary units of program services.

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.

I do not believe I have any conflicts at this time.

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: 12/12/2018 Signature: Connie J. Sipe

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

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PROFESSIONAL MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE

February 2018
February 2002 to present: CENTER FOR COMMUNITY, INC.

Executive Director: Executive Director representing Board of community non-profit agency, providing services to more than 600 clients: persons with developmental or physical disabilities, home-bound senior citizens, public assistance clients seeking jobs, and managing public transit for Sitka.

1998 – February 2002 INFORMALASKA, Inc.

President and principal: Principal of small company doing research, consulting and regulation and report writing projects for State agencies.

1994 – 1997 DIVISION OF SENIOR SERVICES, Department of Administration, State of Alaska

Director: Served as first director of a new division, where all state services to senior Alaskans were consolidated for the first time. Brought online the HCB Waivers, Assisted Living Licensing, Adult Protective Services, and Personal Care expansion.

1987 – 1994 Older Alaskans Commission, Dept. of Administration, State of Alaska

Executive Director: Served the Commission in its advocacy & planning roles, administered all NTS, Adult Day, and other grants, chaired Taskforce to create HCB waivers.

1984 – 1987 Office of the Commissioner, Department of Health & Social Services, State of Alaska

Deputy Commissioner: As Deputy Commissioner, supervised the Divisions of Medicaid, Public Assistance, and Family & Youth Services.

**1976 – 1984 Consumer Protection Office, Office of the Attorney General
State of Alaska**

Chief of Consumer Protection and Assistant Attorney General

EDUCATION AND CREDENTIALS

1975 to present: Member, Alaska Bar Association (Attorney)

1975: Juris Doctor, Harvard Law School

1972: Bachelor of Arts, English, Indiana University



Hospital Board Roster

Board Member	Phone	Address, E-mail	Seat	First Appointed	Term Expires
Connie Sipe President	966-4232 w	102 Kelly Street csipe@cfc.org	Financial	1/12/16	1/12/19
Carin Adickes Vice President	747-1078 738-5667	1401 Edgecumbe Drive alaskaseapeople@yahoo.com	At-Large	1/23/18	1/23/20
David Lam Secretary	738-4068	PO Box 1324 dave@shamanmedicalconsulting.com	Healthcare	1/12/16	1/12/19
Robert Hattle	738-2230	PO Box 2676 rhattle@mac.com	At-Large	10/24/17 1/23/18	1/12/18 1/23/20
Carolyn Evans	747-8707 406-579-2666	PO Box 902 lcevens@gci.net	At-Large	1/23/18	1/23/20
<u><i>CBS Staff Liaison*</i></u> John P. (Jay) Sweeney	747-1836 w	100 Lincoln Street jay.sweeney@cityofsitka.org	Chief Finance and Administrative Officer	12/12/17	
<u><i>Alternate</i></u> Keith Brady	747-1808 w	keith.brady@cityofsitka.org	Municipal Administrator		
<u><i>Chief Medical Staff Liaison*</i></u> Kimberly Bakkes	747-3241 w	Sitka Community Hospital 209 Moller Avenue kbakkes@sitkahospital.org		December of each year
<u><i>Vice Chief Medical Staff Liaison*</i></u> Debra Brushafer	747-3241 w	Dr.Brushafer@sitkahospital.org			
<u><i>Assembly Liaison*</i></u> Richard Wein	738-0577 c	PO Box 2424 assemblywein@cityofsitka.org			October (each year after election)
<u><i>Alternate</i></u> Steven Eisenbeisz	738-9075 c	208 Lincoln Street assemblyeisenbeisz@cityofsitka.org			
<u><i>Hospital Staff</i></u> Rob Allen Denise DenHerder	747-1738 w 747-1725 w	CEO Exec Asst/Recording Secretary	rallen@sitkahospital.org ddenherder@sitkahospital.org		

* Non-Voting – Alternates to fill in when the Liaison is not in attendance.

Hospital Board meets the **fourth Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m.** in the Hospital Classroom.

All voting members will be approved by the Assembly. Five Members from Public:

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| 1 Member Professional Financial Experience | 3-year term |
| 1 Member Professional Healthcare Experience | 3-year term |
| 3 Members At-Large | 2-year term |

Non-Voting:

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| 1 Member Sitka Community Hospital Chief Medical Staff | Elected each December by SCH medical staff |
| 1 Member from the Assembly | Appointed each October |
| 1 Member from CBS Senior Staff | Approved by the Assembly with No Expiration |
- Re-Established by Ordinance 2015-37A

OATH OF OFFICE REQUIRED

Revised: October 10, 2018