



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

Board/Commission/Committee: Gary Paxton Industrial Park Board  
Name: Chris Stad Preferred Phone: [REDACTED]  
Address: [REDACTED] Alternate Phone: [REDACTED]  
Email Address: [REDACTED] Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Length of Residence in Sitka: 15 years Registered to vote in Sitka? ☒ Yes \_\_\_ No  
Employer: Self-employed  
Organizations you belong to or participate in: I am the vice chair of the Port and Harbors Commission. I am on the board for the Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association.

Explain your main reason for applying:

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

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.

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: 9/1/2020 Signature: Chris Stad

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](mailto:melissa.henshaw@cityofsitka.org)

**Explain your main reason for applying:**

Over the past few years my involvement out at the GPIIP has grown. I am a Silver Bay fisherman, and being so, much of my fishing business is conducted out at the GPIIP. I currently sit on two boards, Port and Harbors, and NSRAA, that have interests out at the GPIIP. I also have lots of attentiveness in the new haul out facility and ensuring that Sitka gets the haul out that it needs. My hope is that in my becoming a member of the GPIIP board I could help make decisions that will benefit the people of Sitka.

**What background, experience or credentials will you bring to the board?**

As stated above I have been spending more and more of my time at the GPIIP, giving me first hand knowledge of how the park is being used. That knowledge could help in future projects the GPIIP may have. Being a member of two boards has given me tools and experience so that I may join the GPIIP board and instantly be a contributing member. Another benefit of being on the Port and Harbors commission and NSRAA board is that I have developed relationships with much of the fishing fleet and other community members, and they already come to me with their thoughts, concerns, and ideas. I believe these relationships will be extremely important on developing a haul out facility or any other projects that may occur at the GPIIP.

**Please disclose any potential conflicts of interest that may arise from your appointment:**

I have four potential conflicts of interest I should disclose. I am a member of Silver Bay Seafoods. I periodically work for Hanson Maritime. I periodically work for other local contractors that have in the past and may in the future do business with the city and or the GPIIP. I am a member of the NSRAA board. Though these may at times be considered a conflict of interest I think it has also given me a good understanding of how the GPIIP is being used, and will aid me and the board in making future decisions in developing and improving the park.

# Chris Ystad

## Professional Summary

Early in life I knew I wanted to own my own business someday, even though I did not yet know what that business would be. In high school I began collecting the tools I would need to make that happen by taking multiple accounting classes, finance classes, and joining the future business leaders of tomorrow club. I continued collecting my tools when I attended Pacific Lutheran University with the thought of obtaining my CPA license. In 2004 fate happened and I traveled to Sitka Alaska to work as a deckhand on a charter boat. I had found the livelihood and business direction I wanted to pursue, catching and selling fish from the north pacific.

## Highlights

- Business owner
- College educated
- Good grasp of accounting and finance
- Port and Harbor commissioner
- Self-motivated
- Well rounded
- Business leader of tomorrow
- NSRAA board member

## Experience

### Self-employed fisherman

June 2004 to Present

- Deckhand for Alaskan Reel Affair Charters from 2004 to 2005
- Deckhand/Deckboss on F/V Cloud Nine for salmon seine, power troll, and longline from 2006 to 2012
- Owner/ Captain of F/V Dixie II power troller 2009 to 2010
- Deckhand/Engineer/Skiffman on F/V Lisa Jean for salmon seine, and longline 2010 to 2020
- Owner/Captain of F/V Ocean Cape seiner 2017 to present

### Island Enterprise Inc

October 2006 to March 2015

- Equipment operator and carpenter

### Pellett Enterprise Inc

October 2015 to March 2016

- Carpenter

### Pacific Services

October 2016 to Present

- Equipment operator

### Hanson Maritime

2019 to Present

- Equipment operator

## Education

### Pacific Lutheran University

Graduated 2006

Bachelor of Arts degree in History with a minor in business, emphasis in accounting and finance