



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

Board/Commission/Committee: Gary Paxton Industrial Park Board

Name: Chris Ystad Preferred Phone: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED] Alternate Phone: [REDACTED]

Email Address: [REDACTED] Fax Number: [REDACTED]

Length of Residence in Sitka: 15 years Registered to vote in Sitka? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Employer: Self-employed

Organizations you belong to or participate in: Currently a member of the GPIIP board. Also the vice chair of the Port and Harbors commission. I am also 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: 2/28/2021 Signature: Chris Ystad

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

I am applying because the Gary Paxton Industrial Park's future and well-being have become increasingly important to me and my fishing business. I also take great interest in the park's current and future economic contributions to Sitka. I believe if the GPIIP is thriving it will be a big contributor to Sitka's economy thriving.

I bring six months of GPIIP board experience along with nearly three years of Port and Harbors commission experience. I also bring a year experience of being an NSRAA board member. One of GPIIP's current endeavors is the construction of the haul out facility and boat yard. My experience as a fisherman/boat owner and my time spent at our local and other boat yards up and down the coast will be a valuable asset in establishing Sitka's new haul out facility.

I have a couple of potential conflicts of interest, first of which is my membership at Silver Bay Seafoods. Second is being on the NSRAA board of directors. I also am occasionally employed by Hanson Maritime along with other contractors that sometimes perform work out at the GPIIP. Though these conflicts may be viewed as a negative I consider these conflicts as assets because they have given me knowledge and experience at the park that not everyone possesses.

Thank you for your consideration

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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



GARY PAXTON INDUSTRIAL PARK BOARD OF DIRECTORS

NAME	CONTACT NUMBERS	TERM STARTS	EXPIRES	CATEGORY
SCOTT WAGNER 304 Nicole Drive	747-6850 w 747-3791 h scott_wagner@nsraa.org	11/25/14 6/28/16 6/26/18 7/14/20	6/24/16 6/28/18 6/26/20 7/14/22	CHAIR
VAUGHN MORRISON 114 Toivo Circle	738-0294 vmorrison26@yahoo.com	9/25/18 9/22/20	9/25/20 9/22/22	VICE CHAIR
MIKE JOHNSON 2017 Cascade Creek Road	747-1401 966-4042 southeastmike@hotmail.com	8/27/19 4/14/20	4/24/20 4/14/22	
CHRIS YSTAD 104 Chirikov Drive	738-1560 747-8487 fathom99835@yahoo.com	10/13/20	3/26/21	Parrish's term resigned 9/22/20 Stevens' term resigned 8/31/20
<i>JAMAL FLOATE 4600 Sawmill Creek Road A</i>	<i>738-6699 renbuilt@gmail.com</i>	<i>8/11/20</i>	<i>3/26/21</i>	<i>At-Large Resigned 1/29/21</i>
Garry White 329 Harbor Drive, #202	747-2660 747-7688 fax garrywhite@gci.net			GPIP Director
John Leach City & Borough of Sitka 100 Lincoln Street	747-1808 747-7403 fax john.leach@cityofsitka.org			Municipal Administrator
Thor Christianson 100 Lincoln Street	738-2491 assemblychristianson@cityofsitka.org			Assembly Liaison
Steven Eisenbeisz 208 Lincoln Street	738-9075 assemblyeisenbeisz@cityofsitka.org			Alternate Assembly Liaison
Makena Hardwick 329 Harbor Drive, #202	747-2660 747-7688 fax sedasitka@gmail.com			Secretary

Established by Ordinance 00-1568

Five members appointed by the Assembly for 2-year terms, one designated At-Large

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