

CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA

ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS 330 Harbor Drive Sitka, AK (907)747-1811

Minutes - Final

City and Borough Assembly

Mayor Steven Eisenbeisz
Deputy Mayor Thor Christianson,
Vice Deputy Mayor Valorie Nelson,
Kevin Knox, Kevin Mosher, Crystal Duncan, Rebecca
Himschoot

Municipal Administrator: John Leach Municipal Attorney: Brian Hanson Municipal Clerk: Sara Peterson

Thursday, September 23, 2021

6:00 PM

Assembly Chambers

SPECIAL MEETING

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. FLAG SALUTE
- III. ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Christianson, Mosher, Nelson, Himschoot, and Duncan

Absent: 2 - Knox, and Eisenbeisz

IV. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

None.

- V. NEW BUSINESS:
- A 21-142 Award FY22 Annual General Fund Non-Profit Grants

The Municipal Clerk displayed the allocations from each Assembly Member.

A motion was made by Himschoot to award the following FY22 General Fund Non-Profit Grants in the category of Human Services:

*Brave Heart Volunteers \$8,060

*Sitka Counseling and Prevention Services \$5,845

*Sitka Homeless Coalition \$4,536

*Southeast Alaska Independent Living \$8,179

The motion PASSED by the following vote.

Yes: 5 - Christianson, Mosher, Duncan, Himschoot, and Nelson

Absent: 2 - Eisenbeisz and Knox

Tony Jackson, a recipient of the services Southeast Alaska Independent Living provides, thanked the Assembly for offering the grant money.

A motion was made by Duncan to award the following FY22 General Fund Non-Profit Grants in the category of Cultural & Educational Services:

*Alaska Arts Southeast (Sitka Fine Arts Camp) \$7,500

The motion PASSED by the following vote.

Yes: 5 - Himschoot, Mosher, Nelson, Christianson, and Duncan

Absent: 2 - Eisenbeisz and Knox

A motion was made by Mosher to award the following FY22 General Fund Non-Profit Grants in the category of Community Development:

*Baranof Bruins Youth Wrestling Club \$4,464
*Sitka Trail Works \$5.750

The motion PASSED by the following vote.

Yes: 5 - Christianson, Himschoot, Duncan, Nelson, and Mosher

Absent: 2 - Eisenbeisz and Knox

Municipal Clerk

Jackie O'Jala, Mike Kimber, and Lynne Brandon spoke in support.

VI. PERSONS TO BE HEARD:

Nicholas McGraw spoke in opposition to a mask mandate. Valorie Nelson wondered how citizens could testify at the September 28 Assembly meeting if they had a medical exemption for the mask mandate, announced she was unvaccinated, spoke in opposition to a mask mandate, and told of the divisiveness within the community.

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mosher to ADJOURN. Hearing no objections, the meeting ADJOURNED at 6:23pm.

ATTEST:	
Sara Peterson, MMC	

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