

Skagway Traditional Council

Regular Meeting



May 26, 2023, 12 PM / In-Person & Zoom

1. Meeting called to order at: 12:09 PM

2. Attendance:

Present

Jaime Bricker, President

Andrew Beierly, Vice Chair

Judean Gordon, Member at Large

Sara Kinjo-Hischer, TA

Katie Klug, TAA (Note taker)

Absent

Marla Belisle, Secretary

Savannah Ames, Treasurer

3. Approval of Agenda:

S. Kinjo-Hischer requests to Table 8.4 and 9.5

J. Gordon motions to approve the agenda with Table Items 8.4 and 9.5, A. Beierly seconds, all in favor:

AYE 3/ NAY 0/ ABSTAIN 0/ ABSENT 2

4. Approval of Minutes:

A. Beierly motions to approve Regular Meeting Minutes from 3.23.23, Special Meeting Minutes from 4.13.23 and Special Meeting Minutes from 5.10.23, J. Gordon seconds, all in favor:

AYE 3/ NAY 0/ ABSTAIN 0/ ABSENT 2

5. Presidents Report:

J. Bricker has nothing to report to the council.

6. Program/Committee Reports:

- SEARHC: *Emailed to Council, on file – Last received report April 2023*
J. Gordon shares she received a tour of the newly constructed Mount Edgecumb Hospital in Sitka. J. Gordon states SEARHC is growing and attended the ribbon cutting at the new SEARHC clinic in Gustavus, and shares that SEARHC is still seeking housing in Juneau.
- Financial: *Last received report Feb. 2023*
J. Bricker requests the most recent financial reports be added to meeting packets for review.
- Administrator Report: *Last received Jan. 2023*
S. Kinjo-Hischer states Smugglers Cove project was outside the scope of work & permit, and shares stake holders are compiling what was done & to be sent to CORE. Shares AP&T has an upcoming meeting for fiber work in Dyea. S. Kinjo-Hischer states the Kuti project will be sharing a lidar map from the recent visit to Skagway and shares a potential new hire for the environmental department. S. Kinjo-Hischer states the need for new office computers and will bring more information to the next meeting. S. Kinjo-Hischer shares property inquiries from T&H on Chilkoot Trail and AB if interested by the council for further assessment, cost & discussion.
- Environmental Department Report: *Last received Nov. 2022*
- Cultural Resource Department Report: *Last received Nov. 2022*

7. Public Comment/Correspondence:

NPS 2023 Dyea Work extended an invitation to council, staff and members.

8. OLD Agenda Items:

1. Roof & Gutters RFQ
S. Kinjo-Hischer states no bids and would like to Single Source.
2. Forest Services Partnership Project
S. Kinjo-Hischer has no updated information and would like to take the item off the agenda.
3. Tourism Code of Conduct
S. Kinjo-Hischer asks council for direction to amend or go forward with the presented Tourism Code of Conduct. J. Bricker requests the pages to be numbered and also requests an audio component for Tlingit translations. S. Kinjo-Hischer will bring it back at the next meeting.
4. 10th Tower Apt. Heat Replacement Quote - S. Kinjo-Hischer requests to Table
5. FOIA Request
S. Kinjo-Hischer states her current FOIA request with MOS has been 3 months & believes the current process for public correspondence has not improved. J. Bricker requests S. Kinjo-Hischer to continue communication with STC attorney on the matter and update the council at the next meeting.

9. New Agenda Items:

1. Green House Program Central Council

S. Kinjo-Hischer shares that the presented Green House Program is funded by CARES ACT through Central Council and STC is an eligible candidate. S. Kinjo-Hischer believes the construction would start Oct. 2024.

J. Gordon motions to move forward with GreenHouse Program Central Council, A. Beierly seconds, all in favor:

AYE 3/ NAY 0/ ABSTAIN 0/ ABSENT 2

2. Aeroponics Container

S. Kinjo-Hischer shares cost and information regarding (2) Aeroponic Containers for sale and states the funds would come from ARPA. J. Gordon shares she is hesitant the containers take up alot of square footage on a small piece of property. S. Kinjo-Hischer suggests seeing the containers in person as well before purchasing and will bring it back to the next meeting for further discussion.

3. Financial Policy Update

S. Kinjo-Hischer requests the council to revisit the financial policy based on the recent audit. She states her understandment why the current financial policy for STC is more rigid and also shares that it does not align with the federal government. Council is in agreement to make changes and would like to update. J. Brikcer states she would like to see the financial reports up to date in all future meetings. S. Kinjo-Hischer will bring back a suggested redline edited policy to the next meeting.

4. Personnel Policy Update

S. Kinjo-Hischer requests the council to revisit the current personnel policy and suggests requiring background checks for unpaid volunteers, increasing retirement, and another look into FMLA. Council is in agreement to update the personnel policy and would like more discussion and input from STC attorney. S. Kinjo-Hischer will bring it back at the next meeting.

5. Election Packet Approval - S. Kinjo-Hischer requests to Table

6. Election Committee Appointment

S. Kinjo-Hischer requests the council to appoint an election committee and makes suggestions for SDC.

10. Announcements: 6.15.23 Enrollment Meeting

11. Executive Session: Potential Property Purchase

J. Bricker will bring a Business Plan to the next meeting.

12. Meeting Adjourned at: 1:18 PM