Sitka Tribe of Alaska
Transportation & Community Development
Meeting Minutes
April 30, 2026

Committee Members: Martha Moses, Rhonda Stiles, Alana Peterson *(Excused),* Woody Widmark (A), Alysha Guthrie

Others: Jackie Ojala, Luwinna Kubik, Katie Turner, Kelly Shawn *CTAA,* Micah Leonard- *RLS and Associates*, Julie Schafer- *RLS and Associates*

I. Meeting called to order at **12:05pm**

II. **M/S RS/WW** to approve the agenda. **Q. Motion Carried UVV**

III. **M/S RS/WW** to approve the minutes for **March 12, 2026,** with revision to include all presenters **Q. MC UVV**

IV. Unfinished Business – None

V. New Business – None

VI. FYI/Discussion

1. State of Alaska Project Prioritization Process & Tribal Relations Policy
    i. Policy updated with emphasis on early and ongoing tribal involvement
2. Carving Shed Variance Request
    i. Variances approved by UVV – City and Borough of Sitka
    ii. Northwind Architects – design/bid with select contractors with a not-to-exceed amount - ARPA funding, to be expended by year-end
    iii. Petroglyph relocation to Herring Rock, Bear Carving to be determined
3. CTAA Human Services Coordinated Plan
    i. Funding through USDA to provide technical assistance
    ii. Development of 5-year coordination plan identifying transportation gaps, routes, and infrastructure needs – anticipated completion June 2026
        a. Work with SEARHC on access to medical and behavioral health services

4. Safe Streets 4 All Grant/NATIVE Act Grant
    i. Safe Streets Grant: planning and implementation tracks reviewed
    ii. Native Act Grant: cultural tourism and language integration project
        a. Potential partners: Shee Atika, Raptor Center, National Park Service, Spruce Root
        b. Application paused pending funding reopening
5. Tribal Transportation Refresher Training
    i. Excellent training for transportation regulations
6. Co-Stewardship Opportunities - Sam Kohn possible visit to Sitka
7. 12 Seat ADA Bus Ordered
    i. New Bus ordered, expected in ~8 months.
8. Charter – Updates, work plan development underway

VII. City and Borough Updates – None

VIII. Date for next meeting **May 14, 2026, at 12pm**

IX. **M/S WW/AG** move to adjourn at **12:53pm Q. MC UVV**