

### **Docks & Harbors**

# The Tide Line

### September 2021



**Docks & Harbors** Meetings

All meetings will be conducted via Zoom

Finance Sub-Committee September 8th, 2021 At 5:00 pm

Operations/Planning Wednesday September 22nd At 5:00 pm

> Finance Sub-Committee Wednesday September 29th At 5:00 pm

Regular Board **Thursday** September 30th At 5:00 pm

agendas and minutes can be found at:

Meetings

https://bit.ly/3aRyTAD

Port Directors Corner: Docks & Harbors took the opportunity over the Golden North Salmon Derby to initiate a very quick on-line survey asking patrons about launch ramp facilities. The survey has been widely circulated through social media and Docks & Harbors has received nearly 300 responses. We will keep the survey open through September 13th. The comments are especially appreciated as Docks & Harbors prides itself on trying to meet the future demands of the Juneau waterfront. This particular survey was conducted to coincide with the high numbers of launch ramp users during this weekend. Truth-be-told, we witnessed an even higher usage at some facilities with the personal use King Crab opening. The results of the survey will be reviewed by the Docks & Harbors Board at an upcoming strategic retreat to help guide the organization to meet the patrons' needs which are under the Board's charge. I highly encourage all launch ramp users to take the opportunity to communicate with Docks & Harbors: CBJ Docks & Harbors Launch Ramp Survey - Golden North Salmon Derby 2021 (surveymonkey.com)

North Douglas Launch Ramp Float:

Each fall, during a higher tide in October, Docks & Harbors removes the North Douglas Launch Ramp Float. This is to protect the float from winter westerlies which we believe could be severely damaged, if left in place. This year, the tides are favorable for staff from October 9-11. We pick multiple days to provide a weather window. Please be aware if you launch prior to that date, you may return without the float in place.





Impounded Vessel for Sale: CBJ Docks & Harbors intends to sell the impounded vessel RED EMMA on public surplus. The minimum bid is \$5,000. Public Surplus: Auction #2878741. The RED EMMA is a 1944 former Navy vessel, hull ID 998366. She is 70 feet long with a beam of 16 ½ ft. RED EMMA would be a great project for the right person and could be converted for many uses such as a fish tender or be parted out for the engines and other parts. It will be sold as is, where is and must be removed by buyer within 72 hours of purchase.

Harris Harbor Sewer Pump-Out: Docks & Harbors has completed the design and coordinated the installation of a year-round sewer pump-out station in Harris Harbor. We leveraged funding form the Clean Vessel Act to accomplish which provided 75% of the costs. This program was made available in 1992 when Congress passed the Clean Vessel Act helping to reduce pollution from vessel sewage discharges into U.S. waters. The <a href="Keco brand pump">Keco brand pump</a> was chosen and is now our standard pump throughout the Juneau harbor system with all four small boat harbors now having access to year-round pump-out stations. Docks & Harbors staff along with contractors ENCO, Alaska Electric and Western Marine Construction participated in elements of the project. Coast Guard & Army dive team also assisted in the installation of submerged piping/hoses.







Pictures by Matthew Sill

# Docks & Harbors Office Hours: Port Office

907-586-0292 Monday - Friday

8:00am - 4:30pm

# Port/Field Office 907-586-5720

Monday - Friday 8:00am - 4:30pm

#### <u>Aurora Harbor</u> 907-586-5255

Monday - Friday 8:00am - 4:30pm

## Statter Harbor

907-789-0819 Monday - Friday

8:00am - 4:30pm All Offices

Closed 12-1 for lunch

CBJ offices will be closed on Monday September 6th for Labor Day

Charter Operators Rate Increase Discussion: The Finance Sub-Committee will have discussion on a possible 10% rate increase for passenger for hire activities and make a recommendation at their September 8<sup>th</sup> meeting via zoom at 5:00pm.

Winter Statter Harbor Hours: Following the Labor Day weekend, the Statter Harbor Office will not be open on the weekends. Normal winter hours apply for the Aurora Harbor and Statter Harbor Offices – 8 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday.

Vessel Speed Limits: Harbor Staff continues hearing complaints of excessive speeds in Juneau waters, this includes Auke Bay, within Statter Harbor and north of the Juneau-Douglas Bridge. The rules pertaining to vessel speed limits: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/HarborSpeedLimit">https://tinyurl.com/HarborSpeedLimit</a> For Statter Harbor it is 5 knots from the white buoy to the Breakwater and then 4 knots shoreward. North of the Bridge to Mendenhall Bar Channel Marker #5 is 5 knot maximum speed restriction zone. All harbors have a 4 knot restriction. Please be courteous with your vessel while operating within areas which have speed restrictions under CBJ ordinance.

Help stop theft in our Harbors! If you see something, say something. Call suspicious activity to JPD Non-Emergency Line at 907-586-0600 and report to the Harbor Office at 907-586-5255.

End of Year Tourism Meeting: As we have previously conducted in most years, Docks & Harbors will host a debriefing of the 2021 tourism season and brainstorming opportunity to improve our processes looking forward to the 2022 seasons. Typically companies involved in the downtown transportation, vendor booth owners and Statter Harbor charter operators participate in this meeting; however, any member of the public is invited to attend. The proposed date for the end-of-year tourism meeting will be Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. Please plan on a virtual meeting, unless in-person meetings become fashionable again. Invitations/notifications will go out via the TBMP email network.

D & H encourages electronic statements to make online bill pay at juneauharbors.com faster and easier, and also save money on mailings! Please send an email to <a href="https://harbormaster@juneau.org">harbormaster@juneau.org</a> to request electronic statements.