



Docks & Harbors The Tide Line September 2022



Docks & Harbors Meetings

All meetings will be held in CBJ Room 224 and via Zoom

Finance Sub-Committee
Wednesday
Sept 14th Cancelled

Operations Committee
Wednesday
Sept 21st at 5 pm

Finance Sub-Committee
Wednesday
Sept 28th Cancelled

Regular Board
Thursday
Sept 29th at 5 pm

Meetings
agendas and minutes
can be found at:
<https://bit.ly/3aRyTAD>

Port Director's Corner: As we transition into the fall, we can look back at our summer to reflect on a job well done. This compliment not only applies to our Docks & Harbors staff but also to all users of our facilities. Those users dependent upon cruise ship tourism found opportunities to operate safely and effectively despite the two year hiatus caused by the pandemic and challenges of staffing shortages. By observation, our small boat harbors and launch ramps were well-used by recreational boaters throughout the summer. Similarly, we hear fairly encouraging numbers from the commercial fisherman throughout SE Alaska. This successful summer from the port & harbors user groups, which Docks & Harbors supports, motivates my team to continue to plan and execute improvements throughout our enterprise. Here are a few examples of projects completed in the last month:

Real Time Weather Station @ Statter Harbor:

Working with our maritime partner, Marine Exchange of Alaska, we have added a weather monitoring station on "D" Float in Statter. The data is hosted on [MXAK website](#). This photo is MXAK technician Nick Hatch and Harbor Officer Jeremiah Cryts installing the equipment.



EV Charging Station @

Harris Harbor: We have added a two electric vehicle charging stations at Harris Harbor which is free to use for our harbor patrons.



North Douglas Fish Cleaning Float: Just in time for the 76th Annual Golden North Salmon Derby, Docks & Harbor staff completed rebuilding the North Douglas Fish Cleaning Float.



Repairs to Taku Harbor. Harbor staff made significant, albeit temporary repairs, to the approach float at Taku Harbor in May. Based on a report by harbor patron Tom Donek staff deployed again in August to make additional repairs. We are hopeful that a successful outcome of the 1% Sales Tax initiative will allow for funding to recapitalize the portions of Taku Harbor needing replacement. We appreciate receiving tips regarding any harbor facility requiring our attention. Broken bolt now repaired:



Farewell but not Forgotten: Docks & Harbors will be losing two significant and respected employees in September:

Port Engineer Erich Schaal will be departing Juneau to assume the role of Public Works Director in Wasilla. Erich has been with D&H since 2010 and was elevated to his current position in 2019. He has had his hand in completing \$180M in D&H projects over these twelve years.

Port Operations Supervisor Scott Hinton will be departing for a position with ADEC. Scott has been with us since 2015 and has participated in the major infrastructure improvements along the downtown waterfront. He has done a masterful job in managing the cruise ship operations.

Both Erich & Scott have added immense value to our Docks & Harbors Enterprise. We wish them both well as they pursue new challenges in their journey.

Seasonal Docks & Harbors Workforce: Last day will be October 3rd, we thank the 30+ seasonal employees who have diligently worked for Docks & Harbors and wish them safe & prosperous time off!

Regulation & Ordinance Changes: At the August 25th Docks & Harbors Special Board meeting, after a public hearing, the Board approved eleven regulation changes and three ordinance changes. These proposed amendments will now go before the CBJ Assembly on September 12th for their consideration. Those changes are publicly available [here](#).

Cruise Ship Capacity: The average cruise ship capacity for arriving passengers in Juneau is 73% through August, 7th 2022. The percentage is figured from the ship's lower berth capacity multiplied by the number of visits to Juneau and the actual reported passengers. The total berths are 1,026,382 and the passenger reported numbers are 751,592.

Port Office
907-586-0292
Monday-Friday
8:00am-4:30pm
Closed 12-1 for lunch

Port/Field Office
907-586-5720
Monday-Friday
8:00am-4:30pm
Closed 12-1 for lunch

Aurora Harbor
907-586-5255
Monday-Friday
8:00am-4:30pm

Statter Harbor
907-789-0819
Monday-Saturday
8:00am-4:30pm
Closed 12-1 for lunch

End of Year Season Meetings: This year, as we do every year, is to capture lessons learned from our summer tourism experiences. The following meetings will be held on September 21st at the Downtown Library. These will be in-person only meetings (no opportunity for virtual participation):

- 10:15 am - Waterfront Sales Operators (vendor booths)
- 11:00 am - Downtown Transportation Providers (bus operators)
- 1:00 pm - Statter Harbor Boat and Bus Operators.

D&H encourages electronic statements to make online bill pay at juneauharbors.com faster and easier! Please send an email to harbormaster@juneau.org to request electronic statements.

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.

Launch Ramp Permits: Please purchase your 2022 launch ramp permit before heading out with your vessel. It's simple to do so online at: www.juneauharbors.com

Statter Harbor office hours changes in September: Effective September 5th, Statter Harbor office hours will be from 8am-4:30pm. September 4th will be the last Sunday Statter Harbor office is open for the season. September 24th will be the last Saturday that Statter Harbor office is open for the season.

1% Sales Tax Initiative: Every five years, the voting citizens of Juneau are asked whether they wish to support an October referendum to fund capital improvement projects. Docks & Harbors is extremely grateful that two harbor initiatives valued at \$6.5M are under ballot consideration, Aurora Harbor and Deferred Maintenance. The Aurora Harbor Floats and Upland Improvements proposal is \$5M to continue rebuilding the small boat harbor float system and to improve the uplands with replacement of harbor office building, lighting, parking lot paving, and partial boatyard recapitalization. The second initiative is for \$1.5M for Harbor Deferred Maintenance to dredge Wayside Park Fishing Float and for repairs to Taku Harbor. This year's election is October 4th.