



Docks & Harbors The Tide Line October 2019



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Meetings:

Finance

Sub-Committee

Wednesday,

October 16th

at 3:00 pm

CBJ Room 224

Operations/Planning

Wednesday,

October 23rd

at 5:00 pm

Assembly Chambers

Regular Board

Thursday,

October 31st

at 5:00 pm

Assembly Chambers

Meeting agendas and minutes

can be found at:

<http://www.juneau.org/harbors/board.php>

Port Director's Corner :

Docks & Harbors biggest story of the year may not be handling the additional 153 thousand plus cruise ship passengers ending on October 2nd ; but rather the 130 attendees who participated in the annual Alaska Association of Harbormasters & Port Administrators (AAHPA) conference from September 30th to October 4th. Many on the Docks & Harbors staff planned and executed the warm reception which was shown to harbormasters, port administrators, maritime commercial and public agency interests. In particular, I would like to thank Administrative Officer Teena Larson and Administrative Assistant Mary Wolf, for the diligent and intentional work for nearly a year in the preparation of the conference. The duo was key to ensuring no detail was dropped in the hosting members from 25 member harbor communities from across the state and Seattle's Fishermen's Terminal. Even the most seasoned, craggy harbormaster had to admit this year's conference was one of the best ever. In addition, to having numerous local presenters with riveting insight germane to Alaska harbormasters, the business community was very supportive. From the folks at the Elizabeth Peratrovich Hall where the conference was held to Gastineau Guiding, UnCruise Adventures, HAP Coaches, Harbor Tea & Spice, Heritage Coffee, The Fudge Company, Cycle Alaska, Alaskan Brewing, Travel Juneau, and the Knife Company all contributed in services or products to make the conference very special.

The tagline of the conference was *Dream It, Plan It, Build It*, leveraged the ways & means on how Juneau continues to move forward with smart, targeted waterfront development. Attendees who hadn't been to Juneau in the past five years were very much impressed with projects along

the downtown waterfront, Statter Harbor, Aurora Harbor and Douglas Harbor. The AAHPA Conference also takes the opportunity to recognize Harbormaster and Employee of the Year awards. CBJ Docks & Harbors acknowledged Statter Harbor Officer **John Forchmer** as its employee-of-the-year for his efforts to mentor the seasonal staff and overseeing repairs to April storm damaged breakwater.

The last cruise ship of the year, **NORWEGIAN JEWEL**, was significant for a couple of reasons. NCL provided a tour and hosted attendees of the AAHPA conference. For many, this was the first time boarding or experiencing a cruise ship up close. Secondly, with the passengers from NORWEGIAN JEWEL, the Port of Juneau experienced 1.288M cruise ship visitors, a record and a 13% increase from 2018. Projections for 2020 call for a 6% increase.



Go Green with Docks & Harbors! If interested in having your statement sent via email, please send an email to harbormaster@juneau.org

Statter Harbor Phase III Project Update: Pacific Pile & Marine (PPM) has been given notice to proceed to dredge 25K cubic yards of marine sediment & rock to construct a basin to house for hire floats dedicated to the charter fleet. PPM subcontractor's Arete Construction and Alaska Juneau Construction will mobilize in early October to bring rock to the site which is necessary for the dredging operations and to provide a "surcharge" to improve the soil strength for future phases of the project. The entire dredging operation will be complete by May 1st, 2020.

Archipelago Project Update: Trucano Construction continues to make good progress in preparing the form to pour the concrete retaining wall. It is anticipated that concrete will be placed throughout the month of October and then Trucano will turn its attention to driving 16 inch piling necessary for the expanded deck over. The public portion of the Archipelago project will be completed by the end of August 2020.

**Docks & Harbors
Office Hours:**

Port Office

907-586-0292

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

Port/Field Office

Closed for the Winter

Aurora Harbor Office

907-586-5255

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

Statter Harbor Office

Winter Hours

Sept 7th- May 14th

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

Closed 12-1pm for lunch



Photo's by Erich Schaal

Port Security Check Point Project: Docks & Harbors has awarded a contract to Southeast Earth Movers to construct two security check points at the entrance to the Alaska Steamship and Cruise Ship Terminal Floats. The weather tight structures will provide better visual queuing for cruise passengers returning to their vessel as they pass through the first level of security monitoring, which is conducted by Docks & Harbors seasonal employees.

End of Season Meetings: On September 25th, Docks & Harbors management staff met with several user groups to recap and seek better solutions to mitigate harbor and dock challenges. The downtown transportation providers, the permit regulated vendor booths and users of Statter Harbor were all encouraged to discuss ways to improve for the upcoming year. Generally speaking, the groups had mostly positive comments to make on the management at these facilities.

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.

Boating Safety Minute: This video compares seat belt use in cars to life jacket use in boating, using paralleling scenes to show the consequences of failure to wear safety equipment and finishes with the following message, "Boating accidents, like car crashes are not predictable. Life jackets and seat belts save lives but only when worn." Youtube: <https://youtu.be/zJ0s6Y60X6g> Vimeo Download: <https://vimeo.com/363381156>