



# Docks & Harbors The Tide Line June 2021



## Docks & Harbors Meetings

*Currently all meetings  
will be conducted via  
Zoom meetings*

Finance Sub-  
Committee  
Monday June 7<sup>th</sup>  
At 5:00 pm

Operations/Planning  
Wednesday June 16<sup>th</sup>  
At 5:00 pm

Regular Board  
Thursday June 24<sup>th</sup>  
At 5:00 pm

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

**Port Director's Corner:** On May 13<sup>th</sup> and May 14<sup>th</sup>, Docks & Harbors was pleased to ceremoniously open and recognize several completed projects which spanned throughout the pandemic. We are extremely proud and grateful for our contractors, consultants and staff who soldiered on during the numerous logistical and personal challenges caused by COVID. Each of the Docks & Harbors contracted projects came in at or under the original bid at the time of award. These projects, along with the prime contractor, include:

- Downtown Waterfront Improvement (Phase I) - \$12M - Trucano Construction
- Mike Pusich Douglas Harbor Zinc Anode - \$258K - Global Diving & Salvage
- Statter Harbor Dredging (Phase 3A) - \$4.1M - Pacific Pile & Marine
- Statter Harbor For-Hire-Floats (Phase 3A) - \$4.3M - Trucano Construction

In addition, the May 13<sup>th</sup> Ribbon Cutting event acknowledged the support of the US Army Corps of Engineers and their contractor Western Marine Construction in executing maintenance dredging and breakwater repairs to Aurora & Harris Harbors. The sum of all these projects completed for the small boat harbors and along the downtown Seawalk exceeds \$24M within the past year. Exactly zero dollars were provided from CBJ Sales Tax or CBJ Property Tax. All the money was provided through harbor user fees, head taxes, federal funding (USACE project) and the ADOT Municipal Harbor Grant program. Docks & Harbors was honored to have Mayor Beth Weldon cut the ribbon for the Downtown Waterfront Improvement project and the family of Don D. Statter do the same in Auke Bay. Photos, videos and the programs can be found for Statter Harbor here: <https://bit.ly/2Rmt9u4> and DWI here: <https://bit.ly/3wU6yUH>. Following the Statter Harbor ceremony, Docks & Harbors resumed its long standing tradition of an annual customer appreciation cookout which is financed through private donations.

The below picture shows the Don D. Statter Family. From left to right: Kristein Stekoll, Jillian Anderson Sabre Stekoll, Donna Fleming, Linda Lewis, Trista Anderson, and Spencer Stekoll. Also present but not in the picture was Donna's husband, Cameron Fleming.



Photo by Chris Mertl



Photo by Teena Larson

The above picture from left to right: Jake Ritter (Trucano Construction), Mark Krall (Road Runner Fencing), Port Director Carl Uchtyl, Mayor Beth Weldon, Board Chair Don Etheridge, Chuck Platt (Chatham Electric), Port Engineer Erich Schaal, and Jeff Trucano (Trucano Construction).

**Departure of Toni Safford:** Docks & Harbors wishes Aurora Harbor Administrative Assistant Toni well as she departs our organization to pursue opportunities in the lower 48. Toni has been a reliable and important team member for the past three years.

**Live Aboard & Dockage Fee Increase Updates:** At the Special Docks & Harbors Board meeting on May 19<sup>th</sup>, after taking considerable public testimony, the Board failed to advance a recommendation to raise the Residence Surcharge (aka Live Aboard Fee) by \$2.25/day. The Board, during the same public hearing, did send a recommendation to the Assembly to increase the Dockage Fee. The Dockage Fee would not affect any small boat harbor moorage and, to our knowledge, virtually no one living in Juneau would have been impacted with this fee which would have increased the Dockage Fee at the Intermediate Vessel Float, the Port Field Office Lightering Float, Cruise Ship Terminal, Alaska Steamship Wharf and for those making reservations at the Statter Harbor Breakwater. The increase would have resulted in an average of 8% increase to the port charges to large cruise ships mooring at the CBJ owned docks. The increase to the other non-cruise ship facilities would still be less than what other private docks in Juneau charge for like services. The Assembly, at its May 24<sup>th</sup> meeting, did not approve the recommended Dockage Fee and directed the Manager “to consider reasons to review the regulation again.” The Docks & Harbors Finance Sub-Committee will reconvene at 5 pm on Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup> (<https://bit.ly/3vA37UK>) to discuss revenue opportunities to maintain facilities as demanded and expected by harbor patrons.

**Dock Electrification Update:** Haight & Associates and their sub-consultants will be presenting to the Assembly Committee of the Whole (COW) on Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup> on the efforts to date regarding the cruise ship dock electrifications. Typically, public testimony is not held at COW meetings.

**Launch Ramp Permits:** As a reminder, users of launch ramps must display a permit decal (or a purchase receipt) to be compliant with CBJ ordinance. The fine for failing to have a launch ramp permit is \$75. The permits are available at the harbor offices or on-line at [www.juneauharbors.com](http://www.juneauharbors.com). The annual permit is \$90 with the daily permit of \$15.

**D & H encourages electronic statements to make online bill pay at [juneauharbors.com](http://juneauharbors.com) faster and easier, and also save money on mailings! Please send an email to [harbormaster@juneau.org](mailto:harbormaster@juneau.org) to request electronic statements.**

## 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

#### Aurora Harbor

907-586-5255

Monday - Friday

8:00am - 4:30pm

#### Statter Harbor

907-789-0819

Monday - Saturday

8:00am - 4:30pm

All Offices

Closed 12-1 for lunch

**2021 Maritime Festival is back on!** After a COVID related hiatus in 2020, the Maritime Festival will be held on Saturday, June 19<sup>th</sup>. Docks & Harbors has been pleased to assist JEDC on an annual basis to contribute to this community event. This year the vendor booths will be set up on the area recently constructed as part of the Downtown Waterfront Improvement project. More information can be found at: <https://bit.ly/2TuqT4v>

### Coast Guard Certificate of Merit to Docks & Harbors:

We were honored to have received a formal recognition from Captain Steve White - Commander, US Coast Guard Sector Juneau.

<https://www.juneauempire.com/news/coast-guard-commends-docks-and-harbors-for-lumberman-response/>



Photo by Mila Cosgrove