

Docks & Harbors The Tide Line December 2021



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<u>Meetings</u>

<u>All meetings will be</u>

<u>conducted via Zoom</u>

Special Board Wednesday December 8th, 2021 At 5:00 pm

Operations/Planning
Wednesday
December 8th
Following the Special
Board

Regular Board Thursday December 16th At 5:00 pm

Finance Sub-Committee Wednesday December 22nd At 5:00 pm

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

McKinley Research Group Tourism Survey: At the November 29th Assembly Committee of the Whole, the results of the tourism survey were presented:

https://tinyurl.com/CO

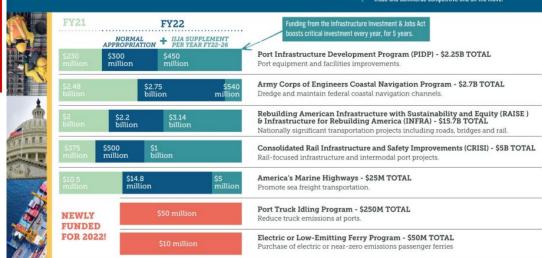
W29NOVTourism.

Port Director's Corner: Merry Christmas & Happy Holidays to all our faithful TIDE LINE readers! There are many things to be grateful for this time of year and throughout our Juneau community. I, for one, am thankful for the dedication of the Docks & Harbors staff which works tirelessly throughout the year to provide safe, secure and well managed facilities to our harbor patrons and visitors. November was a bit of a good news/bad news story for Docks & Harbors. On the good side of the ledger, the bipartisan infrastructure bill known as IIJA (Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act) was signed into law. The carve out for port & harbor grant opportunities throughout the US will equate to \$2.5B over five years. On the other side of the ledger, we received notice our three US DOT RAISE (Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability & Equity) grants applications were not successful. Our RAISE grants included requests for Cruise Ship Dock Electrification, Small Cruise Ship Infrastructure and Juneau Fisheries Terminal. In reviewing the awarded RAISE grants (see RaiseGrants_Capital Fact Sheets.pdf (transportation.gov), Alaska was very successful with three projects, including 2 of only 3 port/harbor projects selected. In fact, Alaska was in the top 4 states receiving RAISE grant funding (behind PA, WA & CA)! Ninety communities will share the \$1B in available federal grant. Over 763 applications were submitted asking for \$10.3B. Docks & Harbors is hopeful that the infusion of new federal infrastructure will help advance the waterfront needs in Juneau. Here is a link to a KTUU story on the Alaskan RAISE grant recipients: https://www.alaskasnewssource.com/app/2021/12/07/us-

AAPA Urges Congress to Pass Sustained Infrastructure Investment

transportation-secretary-touts-new-alaska-infrastructure-spending/

America's seaports are doing their part, investing \$31 billion in port-side infrastructure, but it's not enough. The U.S. needs major, long-term, infrastructure investment to keep American trade and commerce competitive and on the move.



Cruise Ship Dock Electrification: Docks & Harbors is soliciting input to a study evaluating dock electrification at the two CBJ owned cruise ship berths. The comment period runs through January 17th and can be found at: Harbors - Project Archive - City and Borough of Juneau

Damaged Statter Harbor Floats: About 700 feet of moorage is temporarily unavailable after a structural support cable broke off on November 26. The public is asked to avoid the last two fingers at Statter Harbor's D Float for the foreseeable future. The float is about 33 years old and Docks & Harbors anticipates repairs being complete prior to the summer season. Specifically, the main tension cable on Statter Harbor floats D-11 and D-12 failed after a strong wind event. The Docks & Harbors team responded immediately and spent the majority of Friday morning and afternoon moving about seven vessels and securing the floats. During peak use, that moorage space can accommodate up to 30 vessels.



CBJ offices will be closed Friday December 24th for Christmas, and Friday the 31st for New Years.

Docks & Harbors Office Hours: Port Office 907-586-0292 Monday - Friday 8:00am - 4:30pm Port/Field Office 907-586-5720 Closed for winter Aurora Harbor

surplus website, an impounded 31 foot vessel known as M/V HAZEL S. Detail on the condition of this vessel and minimal bid of \$2000 can be found: Public Surplus: Auction #2936511

Boat Auction: Docks & Harbors is

auctioning, through the public

Timber Auction: Docks & Harbors is auctioning, through the public surplus website, 6" x 12" x 91.5" ACZA Treated Timbers. These timbers are excess to the needs of Docks & Harbors. Specifics on the timbers and minimal bid requirements can be found: https://www.publicsurplus.com/sms/auction/view?auc=2940088

Harbor Moorage Discounts: Harbor patrons, with reserved moorage, are reminded of 05 CBJAC 20.042 – pertaining to pre-paid discounts. An owner that pays moorage in advance will receive the following discount moorage fee:

- 1. For the period of July 1 to June 30: Ten-percent discount.
- 2. For the period of July 1 to December 31: Five-percent discount.
- 3. For the period of January 1 to June 30: Five-percent discount.

Lightering Fee Public Hearing: The Docks & Harbors Board is proposing a regulation change to 05 CBJAC 15.060. The public hearing is scheduled for 5 pm on January 19th via Zoom. If approved, the regulation change would increase the lightering fee from \$600 per occurrence to \$1700 and would link additional fee increases to the Alaska Urban Consumer Price Index (CPI). See https://juneau.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Vessel-Lightering-Fee-Regulation-Amendment.pdf

8:00am - 4:30pm

Statter Harbor
907-789-0819

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

Closed 12-1 for lunch

907-586-5255

Monday - Friday

Alexandra (Alix) Pierce will be CBJ's new Tourism Manager: The position reports to the City Manager and is responsible for tourism planning, management, industry relations, and internal tourism coordination. Duties include collaboration with internal and external stakeholders, recommending policy decisions to the City Manager and Assembly to proactively advance the community's goals on tourism, public outreach, among other responsibilities. Since 2019, Alix has been the Planning Manager for CBJ's Community Development Department. She served as staff to the Visitor Industry Task Force; and maintains relationships with community tourism, economic development, and business organizations.

Christmas Stocking Stuffers! Calendar year 2022 Launch Ramp Permits make excellent Christmas gifts and can easily be procured on line at

https://juneauharbors.com/product/annual-recreational-launch-ramppermit/ 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 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.