

CBJ DOCKS & HARBORS BOARD
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
For Wednesday April 20th, 2022

I. Call to Order Mr. Etheridge called the Special Board meeting to order at 5:00pm in CBJ Room 224 and Zoom Meeting.

II. Roll Call The following members were in attendance via Zoom meeting or in person in CBJ Room 224: Lacey Derr, David Larkin, Matthew Leither, Mark Ridgway, Bob Wostmann, and Don Etheridge

Also in attendance: Carl Uchtyl – Port Director, Matthew Creswell – Harbormaster, Erich Schaal – Port Engineer, and Teena Larson – Administrative Officer.

Absent: Paul Grant, Annette Smith, and James Becker

III. Approval of Agenda

MOTION By MS Derr: TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

IV. Public Participation on Non-Agenda Items - None

V. Public Hearings

1. Public Hearing - Dockage Charges (05 CBJAC 15.030)

Mr. Uchtyl said on page three of the packet is the regulation change approved by the Assembly. The notable changes are that vessels from 65 to 200 feet the dockage fee changes from \$2.50 to \$5.00. Vessels less than 200 feet changes from \$1.50 to \$3.00 per foot. What didn't change was vessels over 200 feet remain the same at \$3.00 per foot. The Assembly recommended to not adjust the fees for the over 200' for cruise ships that pay marine passenger fee. We do have cruise ships under 200 feet paying marine passenger fees and if this is passed tonight they would be exempt this year from the increase and still pay the \$2.50 per foot rate. This has been discussed at previous meetings.

Board Questions

Mr. Ridgway asked if the Assembly sent the Board something in writing the request to exempt the smaller cruise ships from the rate increase?

Mr. Uchtyl said no, but staff believes the desires of the Assembly was to exempt cruise ships paying passenger fees to not pay the increase in fees.

Mr. Etheridge said that was his understanding as well. After the rate study is completed is when there would be the potential to raise the cruise ship rates for vessels over 200 feet.

Public Comment –

Mr. Drew Green, Juneau, AK (Representing Cruise Line Agencies of Alaska)

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Mr. Green said he supports the Boards efforts to have the vessels under 200' to remain the same as last year if they are paying marine passenger fees. That would help with the Sea Bird and Sea Lion.

Board Discussion/Action

MOTION BY MS DERR: TO APPROVE FOR CY22 ONLY, ANY CRUISE SHIP SUBJECT TO PASSENGER FEES SHALL PAY THE DOCKAGE CHARGE (05 CBJAC 15.030) AT THE RATE PRIOR TO THE ASSEMBLY ACTION OF FEBRUARY 28TH, 2022.

Motion passed with no objection.

VI. Staff or Member Reports –

Mr. Uchytel said after this meeting we will start the Operations meeting and move the meeting times discussion to the front of the meeting and then at 5:30 pm staff will go present the budget to the Assembly Finance meeting. After the Assembly Finance meeting presentation the Operations meeting will resume about 6:00 pm and hear a presentation from Ms Lacey Derr.

VII. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 5:10pm.