

**Docks & Harbors** Meetings All meetings will be held at the locations below and via Zoom **Operations/Planning** Wednesday March 20th CBJ Room 224 at 5pm **Regular Board** Thursday March 28th CBJ Room 224 at 5pm Meeting agendas & minutes can be found here Help stop theft in our Harbors & vandalism

in our restrooms! If you see something call JPD Non-Emergency Line at 907-586-0600 & report to the Harbor Office at 907-586-5255.

## Docks & Harbors The Tide Line March 2024



**Port Director's Corner:** With March Madness upon us, there are numerous activities which Docks & Harbors is embarking upon in preparation for the summer as well as planning initiatives necessary to maintain and improve our local harbor infrastructure. From preparing grant applications, to welcoming back our seasonal team, to conducting needed repairs, March is extremely busy for the Docks & Harbors staff. Spoiler alert: the first cruise ship (NORWEGIAN BLISS) arrives at the AJ Dock on Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>. The first ship at a CBJ owned dock will be the CARNIVAL SPIRIT on Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>. The Port of Juneau is anticipating a similar number of disembarking cruise passengers to Juneau as was in 2023, approximately 1.65M.

Juneau Harbors Infrastructure Fair: At the Yacht Club from 5:30 to 8 pm on Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, Docks & Harbors will be hosting an event intended to inform the interested Juneau public about proposed waterfront improvements. The goal of the fair is multi-faceted including seeking opportunities to build relationships with others who may benefit with harbor infrastructure investments. Often in our grant applications, we are asked to describe how our proposed projects can provide jobs or aid in economic growth. Commercial fishermen, recreational boaters, UAS, federally recognized tribes, USCG, ADFG, NOAA, fish processors, maritime businesses, mariculture interests, building trades and members interested in building out robust waterfront infrastructure could all benefit with participation. Some of the projects with grant implications include Aurora Harbor Drive down Float, Aurora Harbor Phase IV, Cruise Ship Dock Electrification, Taku Harbor repairs, Echo Cove launch ramp improvements, and Statter Harbor breakwater replacement. Updates to this event will be pushed out on our Facebook page. Docks & Harbors will also provide information on applying for jobs with our department at this event.

D&H encourages electronic statements to make online bill pay at juneauharbors.com faster and easier! Please send an email to <u>harbormaster@juneau.gov</u> to request electronic statements. Docks & Harbors Job Postings: All employment opportunities with Docks & Harbors are posted on the CBJ HR website as well as here.

**Launch Ramp Permits:** As the weather improves, boaters head out to launch their boat. Please know that Docks & Harbors starts enforcing the calendar year requirement for trailer registration in March. One can access on-line purchase of launch ramp permits <u>here</u>.

**Text Messaging Notification:** D & H has re-established a SMS (Short Message Service) account after several months of not having this communication option. If you have already signed up, you will not need to do it again. Harbor patrons have an option to "opt in" for short text messages pertaining to D & H operations. Our goal is to inform the public of vital (or timely) information. This will be used to notify patrons of harbor utility outages, severe weather conditions or topical items for debate from the Harbor Board. There is no cost to sign up and interested citizens must "opt in" to receive these notification. Scan the QR code on the right to sign up.





Welcome Aboard Jackie McMaster: Our newest Administrative Assistant is a lifelong Juneauite, former IBEW electrician and Jane-of-all trades, who typically will be working in the Port Office or Port Field Office. Although, Jackie has been pinch hitting at the Aurora and Statter Harbor Offices as well. She brings an incredible amount of experience and enthusiasm to work every day. Please welcome Jackie as you see her around the various offices or on the docks.



Let there be Lights! The Mike Pusich Douglas Harbor parking lot lighting project is now complete. Morris Electrical Group designed the layout and Chatham Electric completed the work. Docks & Harbors has heard very positive responses to the efforts in improving safety and security at Douglas Harbor.



**Port Office** 907-586-0292 Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:30pm **Port/Field Office** 907-586-5720 **Currently Closed** Aurora Harbor 907-586-5255 Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:30pm (typically closed 12-1pm for lunch) Statter Harbor 907-789-0819 Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:30pm (typically closed 12-1pm for lunch)

**Save the Date:** All commercial permit holders are invited to attend this year's preseason meetings starting at 9 am on Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup> in the CBJ Assembly Chambers. As has been customary, we will break the meeting into three segments: Vendor Booth permits, downtown loading zone permits and Statter Harbor operations. It is strongly recommended that commercial users with permits from Docks & Harbors attend the appropriate meeting.

**Title 85 Changes:** This section of the CBJ Code empowers the Docks & Harbors Board with responsibilities delegated from the Assembly. The Assembly is considering changes to Title 85 which removes some responsibilities of the Board pertaining to cruise ship and tourism related oversight. The You Tube video from the February 26<sup>th</sup> Assembly Committee of the Whole (COW) regarding Title 85 discussion can be found here starting at minute 22:00. The draft meeting minutes of that meeting can be found here.

**CBJ-wide Parking System:** Docks & Harbors will be following CBJ Parks & Recreation's efforts in standing up a new Borough-wide parking system (IPS). In addition to retaining parking kiosks, there will be opportunities to pay for parking at Statter Harbor and at the downtown Taku Lot using smart phone applications. The new IPS parking system will go into effect on May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024.

Aurora Harbor Phase III: Trucano Construction Company has successfully completed all pile driving efforts for the project. Alaska Electric is in the process of installing all the electrical and lighting elements. Harri Commercial Marine is installing the potable water and fire protection systems for the floats. Substantial completion remain mid-May for use of the facility.

