

Docks & Harbors The Tide Line April 2024



Docks & Harbors
Meetings
All meetings will be
held at the locations
below and via
Zoom
Operations/Planning
Wednesday
Apr 17th
CBJ Room 224
at 5pm
Regular Board
Thursday
Apr 25th
CBJ Room 224

at 5pm

Meeting

agendas & minutes

can be found here

Port Director's Corner: As March Madness transitions into April, Docks & Harbors has much to celebrate with the completion of projects, the hope of new funded projects, and the return of our valued seasonal employees, many who reported on April 1st. Other significant dates this month include April 3rd, our inaugural *Juneau* Harbor Infrastructure Fair, and the 9th which is the first cruise ship arrival this season at the AJ Dock. The Juneau Harbor Infrastructure Fair is intended to share with harbor patrons, partners and stakeholders, Docks & Harbors development plans throughout our facilities. Although interested members of the public are always welcome to communicate with staff and the Board throughout the year, this event attempts to encourage active participation and dialogue on proposed infrastructure projects along the Juneau waterfront. Docks & Harbors believes that hosting this event will also strengthen our federal grant applications with targeted community engagement. It will also enable interested patrons to voice concerns and provide feedback on projects under consideration. Some of those projects include: Aurora Harbor Phase IV, Aurora Harbor Drive Down Float, Cruise Ship Dock electrification, Auke Bay Wave Attenuator, Taku Harbor, and others. We will also provide information on applying for Docks & Harbor employment. The event will take place on Wednesday, April 3rd at 5:30 pm at the Yacht Club.

Auke Bay Wave Attenuator: Since 2018, Docks & Harbors has been petitioning the US Army Corps of Engineers to begin a "general investigative" study, sometimes referred to as a "feasibility cost analysis" to evaluate a replacement for the existing Statter Breakwater. We are pleased to report, thanks to \$500K earmark from Senator

Murkowski with the support of Senator Sullivan and Representative Peltola, the federal government match is available to begin the process. It is anticipated that Senator Murkowski will include another \$1.5M earmark in FY25 for the federal match. Docks & Harbors will also provide \$2M in local match to allow USACE to conduct the study which could take up to 3 years to complete. Most likely, the first public meeting held by the USACE will be in September 2024.



Pre-Season Tourism Meetings: On Wednesday April 10th, there will be our annual meetings with tourism focused companies which use Docks & Harbors facilities or are issued permits from Docks & Harbors. All meeting are in the Assembly Chambers:

9:30 am Vendor Booth Permit Holders

10:00 am Downtown Transportation (coaches, buses, crew shuttles, taxis) 11:00 am Statter Harbor Charter Operators & Transportation

Maritime Festival 2024: Save the date of May 4th for this year's Maritime Festival which follows the Alaska Commercial Fishermen's Memorial Blessing of the Fleet at 10 am. May the Fourth be with you.

Text Messaging Notification: Reminder to Docks & Harbors patrons and the public that you 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.



Port Office 907-586-0292 Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:30pm Port/Field Office

Port/Field Office 907-586-5720 Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:30pm Aurora Harbor

907-586-5255 Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:30pm <u>Statter Harbor</u> 907-789-0819 Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:30pm All Offices closed 12-1 for

lunch

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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, and boaters head out to launch their boats, please know that Docks & Harbors enforces the calendar year permit requirement for trailer registration. One can access on-line purchase of a recreational daily, or annual, as well as commercial daily or annual launch ramp permits here or at our Aurora or Statter Harbor offices.

D&H encourages electronic statements to make online bill pay at juneauharbors.com faster and easier!

Please send an email to harbormaster@juneau.gov to request electronic statements.

Docks & Harbors Budget Presentation: On Saturday, April 6th, Docks & Harbors will present our FY25/26 Budget to the Assembly Finance Committee at 1:45 pm in Assembly Chambers. The public is invited to any of the presentations throughout the day, which begins at 8:30 am.

Harris Harbor Security Gate: The security gate has been erected and we are now focused on installation of the lock system, lights, and cameras. When completed in early May, harbor patrons with vessels in Harris Harbor will need to use an issued fob key to access the gangway from the hours of 10 pm to 5 am daily. It is our intentions that the gate will be unlocked and open from the hours of 5 am to 10 pm. We anticipate a numeric cipher lock code will be issued to visiting transient boaters to access the gate when the gate is secured.



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.



New CBJ-wide Parking System: Docks and Harbors is excited to announce the modernization and standardization of our paid parking system in partnership with CBJ. Going forward, all paid parking in the city will be managed through a unified system. Customers can now conveniently pay via phone using the IPS Park Smarter App. Additionally, payment and citation contests can be handled directly through the app. Self-service kiosks will still be available for those who prefer them, with existing kiosks being replaced by new units from IPS. Enforcement of paid parking will now rely on

license plate numbers, eliminating the need for physical receipts on the dashboard. The new system is scheduled to launch concurrently with the start of paid parking for the season at Statter Harbor and the Taku Lot downtown on May 1st. Access/download the Park Smarter App by scanning the QR code provided. Thank you for your cooperation and support.