

CBJ DOCKS & HARBORS BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
For Thursday, May 28, 2009

I. Call to Order.

Vice-Chair Mr. Fisk called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:56 p.m. in the CBJ Assembly Chambers.

II. Roll Call.

The following members were present: Ms. Jebe, Mr. Knapp, Mr. Mehrkens, Mr. Preston, Mr. Williams, and Mr. Fisk.

Mr. Kueffner arrived at 7:27 p.m.

The following members were absent: Mr. Etheridge and Mr. Jardell.

Also present were the following: Mr. Stone – Port Director, Mr. Benner – Harbormaster, Mr. Gillette – Port Engineer, Mr. McLeod- Docks and Harbors Administrative Officer.

Ms. Hood – Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Liaison was also present.

Mr. Dybdahl – CBJ Assembly Liaison was absent.

III. Approval of Agenda.

Mr. Stone said that there were no changes but that there was a handout for Items for Action #1.

MOTION by Mr. Preston: ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

The motion passed without objection.

IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes.

Ms. Jebe said there were two corrections on page 5 where apposed should be changed to opposed.

MOTION by Mr. Knapp: ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON APRIL 30, 2009 AS AMENDED.

The motion passed without objection.

V. Public Participation on Non-Agenda Items.

There were no public testifying.

VI. Items for Action.

1. Solid Waste Management at North Douglas and Amalga Launch Ramps.

Mr. Stone gave a short presentation on this topic.

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VI. Items for Action (cont'd).

Discussion followed with Mr. Mehrkens.

MOTION by Ms. Jebe: TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD AUTHORIZE THE REPLACEMENT OF THE DUMPSTERS AT THE NORTH DOUGLAS AND AMALGA LAUNCH RAMPS WITH BEAR PROOF CANS.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Knapp.

Discussion followed with Mr. Preston and Mr. Mehrkens.

Mr. Mehrkens asked to amend the motion to say – “leave the large dumpster at the North Douglas Launch Ramp”.

There was no second to the amended motion and it did not pass.

Further discussion followed with several Board Members.

The motion passed without objection.

2. Proposed Amendments to Small Boat Harbor Fees and Charges Regulations – Storage Fee Reduction.

Mr. Preston gave a short presentation on this topic.

Discussion followed with Mr. Knapp.

MOTION by Mr. Preston: ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO PROPOSE AN AMENDMENT TO THE SMALL BOAT HARBOR FEES AND CHARGES REGULATIONS REDUCING THE STORAGE FEES FROM \$1.00 TO \$0.50 PER SQUARE PER MONTH, TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS AT THE JUNE 18, 2009, FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING, AND THE JUNE 25, 2009 REGULAR BOARD MEETING, AND TO TAKE FINAL ACTION ON THE AMENDMENT IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE JUNE 25, 2009 PUBLIC HEARING.

The motion passed without objection.

3. Permitting Services for the Replacement of Douglas Harbor.

Mr. Fisk and Mr. Stone gave a short presentation on this topic.

Discussion followed with several Board Members.

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VI. Items for Action (cont'd).

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- 1. Dixie Hood** – 9350 View Drive, Juneau, AK 99801
Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee Liaison.

Ms Hood had questions about the mercury problem in Douglas Harbor.

Mr. Stone gave a short explanation on the mercury problem stating that several tests were given to the dredge spoils and all have come back negative. Then other tests were done at a later date comparing the two test results together. We received the lowest rating of contamination so should be able to dredge this area without harm to the public.

More discussion followed with Mr. Knapp, Mr. Stone, and Mr. Preston.

MOTION by Mr. Preston: ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO AUTHORIZE PERMITTING SERVICES ON THE REPLACEMENT OF THE DOUGLAS HARBOR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$60,000, FUNDING TO BE PROVIDED BY THE JUNEAU HARBORS DEFERRED MAINTENANCE CIP.

The motion passed without objection.

4. Marine Park Furniture Replacement.

Mr. Fisk asked our Port Engineer – Mr. Gillette to give a short presentation on this topic.

Discussion followed with Mr. Fisk, Mr. Preston, and Ms. Jebe.

MOTION by Mr. Preston: ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO AUTHORIZE THE REPLACEMENT OF FURNITURE IN MARINE PARK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$48,232.00, SUCH FUNDING PROVIDED BY THE DOWNTOWN CRUISE SHIP BERTH ENHANCEMENT CIP.

The motion passed without objection.

5. Resolution of Support for State Harbor Grant to Rebuild Statter Harbor.

Mr. Fisk gave a short presentation on this topic.

MOTION by Mr. Kueffner: ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO REQUEST THAT THE ASSEMBLY ADOPT A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR A STATE HARBOR GRANT TO REBUILD THE MOORAGE FLOAT SYSTEM AND LAUNCH RAMP AT STATTER HARBOR.

The motion passed without objection.

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VII. Items for Information/Discussion.

There were none.

VIII. Committee and Board Member Reports.

A. Operations Committee Meeting – held on May 20, 2009.

Ms. Jebe gave a short report of her last meeting. She said that the one Item for Action that they discussed have already discussed at the meeting tonight.

She added that a letter from Goldbelt Security Company was received discussing patrols and more security operations at Echo Cove.

In addition, she said that they discussed a letter stating problems and areas needing attention in several of the Harbors and Launch Ramp areas.

Also, information was passed out regarding the new Auke Bay Loading Facility to open shortly.

B. Finance Committee Meeting – held on May 21, 2009.

Mr. Preston gave a short report of his last meeting.

The one Item for Action that they discussed have already been discussed at the meeting tonight.

He added that there was also a Docks and Harbors Revenue Report given.

C. CIP/Planning Committee Meeting – held on May 26, 2009

Mr. Fisk gave a short report of his last meeting.

He said that all the Items for Action that they discussed at their last meeting have already been discussed at the meeting tonight.

He added that the Committee discussed the comments received on Cruise Ship Dock Improvements.

Another item that they discussed was Guide Piles for the Auke Bay Loading Facility.

Also, he mentioned to the Committee Members that the Port Engineer had submitted a Project Update in their Packet.

IX. Administrative Officer's Report.

Mr. McLeod said that he had nothing to add at this time.

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X. Port Engineer' Report.

Mr. Gillette said that he included a current Project Update page in the Packet.

XI. Harbormaster's Report.

Mr. Benner said that there are current problems with two of the Cranes – the white one and one of the yellow ones. He said that we hope to have the white crane back in service next week. It will be 2 to 3 weeks before the yellow one can be repaired and back operational. It is unfortunate right now as there is heavy use of all the cranes at this time of the year.

Discussion followed with several Board Members.

XII. Port Director's Report.

Mr. Stone gave a short report on local happenings. He said that he went up and introduced himself to Senator Egan and talked with him about monetary support for the Docks and Harbors Department in the upcoming Legislative Session.

Also, he said that he talked with Mr. Mike Erickson of Alaska Glacier Seafoods and Charles Horan our Land Appraiser from Sitka, and they are in the process of doing a lease for Alaska Glacier Seafoods, for a portion of the new Auke Bay Loading Facility adjacent to his current lease, to allow him to expand. There is about a 60-foot area that will not impact the Auke Bay Loading Facility operational area.

Discussion followed with several Board Members.

Mr. Stone said that there will be a Grand Opening--Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony for the new Auke Bay Loading Facility in mid July – the exact date will be announced at a later date.

He added that the Harbor Appreciation Day Barbeque hosted by the Harbormaster – Mr. Benner, went over well. Mr. Benner said that he cooked and served over 350 hotdogs. Harbor patrons that attended said that we ought to do it again more frequently.

XIII. Committee Administrative Matters.

1. Meeting Calendar for June 2009.

Vice-Chair Mr. Fisk told Board Members to note the schedule for June 2009 meetings.

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XIII. Committee Administrative Matters (cont'd).

Operations Committee Meeting -
5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

June 17, 2009
Aurora Harbor Office

Finance Committee Meeting -
5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

June 18, 2009
CBJ Assembly Chambers

CIP/Planning Committee Meeting
5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

June 23, 2009
CBJ Assembly Chambers

Regular Board Meeting
7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

June 25, 2008
CBJ Assembly Chambers

XIV. Adjournment.

MOTION by Mr. Kueffner: ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING.

The motion passed without objection.

The Regular Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.