

**CBJ DOCKS & HARBORS BOARD**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**For Thursday, September 24, 2009**

I. Call to Order.

Chair Mr. Preston called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the CBJ Assembly Chambers.

II. Roll Call.

The following members were present: Mr. Etheridge, Mr. Fisk, Mr. Jardell, Ms. Jebe, Mr. Kueffner, Mr. Mehrkens, Mr. Williams, Mr. Wostmann, and Mr. Preston.

The following members were absent: none

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

Mr. Dybdahl – CBJ Assembly Liaison, and Ms. Hood – Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Liaison. were both absent.

III. Approval of Agenda.

Mr. Stone requested under Item V. Public Participation on Non-Agenda Items to add Number 1. Michael Mann – Fee Appeal.

Also, he requested under VI. Items for Action to delete Item number 1. Additional Services for Environmental Assessment for the Statter Harbor Launch Ramp and to delete Item #2. Appropriation Ordinance to Transfer Funds for the Docks and Harbors Reserve Account for Completion of the Auke Bay Loading Facility.

Mr. Stone requested to add a new VI. Item for Action that would be following #1. Cruise Ship Dock Alternatives, and will be #2. North Douglas Launch Ramp Replacement.

Also, he requested to add an Executive Session to discuss Board Matters. It will be added as Item XIV. just before Item XV. Adjournment.

**MOTION by Mr. Etheridge: ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED.**

**The motion passed without objection.**

IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes.

**MOTION by Ms. Jebe: ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO APPROVE THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES FROM THE AUGUST 27, 2009, MEETING AS PRESENTED.**

**The motion passed without objection.**

V. Public Participation on Non-Agenda Items.

1. Michael Mann Fee Appeal.

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V. Public Participation on Non-Agenda Items (cont'd).

Mr. Mann said that he has been a Gill-Net Commercial Fisherman for the past 10 years and has been quite involved with DIPAC, also he has worked closely with Ed and Kathy Hansen who are currently Board officers of the Gill-Net Association.

He said that he was under the impression that he had received a credit of approximately \$755.00 when he had paid the moorage for his son on his credit card and the son later decided not to move his vessel down to the Juneau area.

Mr. Mann said that he was told verbally on the telephone that the moorage amount had been applied to his account as a credit. When his own moorage ran out, he assumed that the credit had been applied to his own moorage. But, apparently this was not the case and he has been incurring moorage fees at the daily rate ever since his moorage ran out.

He said that he is being charged \$1,400.00 for one month of moorage. He is requesting the Harbor Board to reconsider his appeal for moorage relief.

Discussion followed with Mr. Fisk, Mr. Stone, Mr. Preston, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Jardell, and Mr. Wostmann.

Chair Mr. Preston said he would like to send this appeal back to the next Finance Committee Meeting for further discussion and action.

**MOTION by Mr. Etheridge: ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO REFER THIS MIKE MANN FEE APPEAL TO THE NEXT FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION AND ACTION.**

**The motion passed without objection.**

VI. Items for Action.

1. Cruise Ship Dock Alternatives.

Mr. Fisk gave a short presentation on this topic.

Discussion followed with Mr. Etheridge, and Mr. Stone.

**Public Comment:**

1. **Chip Thoma** - P.O. Box 21884  
Juneau, Alaska 99802

Mr. Thoma urges the Harbor Board members to work with Senator Bert Stedman for funding for the down-town dock infra-structure and to not pursue the seawalk money or other local money for this large project.

Discussion followed with Mr. Mehrkens, Mr. Preston, and Mr. Thoma.

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VI. Items for Action (cont'd).

2. **Mr. Joe Geldoff** - 2 Ferry Way, Suite #207  
Juneau, Alaska 99801  
Interested Citizen

Mr. Geldoff said that he thinks that the Harbor Board members need to work closely with the CBJ Assembly members for obtaining funds for Docks and Harbors projects.

He added that he wanted to commend Mr. Etheridge for his efforts to get more funding last year for our projects.

Discussion followed with Mr. Kueffner, Mr. Mehrkens, Mr. Fisk, Mr. Stone, Mr. Preston, Mr. Etheridge, Mr. Jardell, and Mr. Williams.

**MOTION by Mr. Etheridge: ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO RECOMMEND THAT THE ASSEMBLY PURSUE FUNDING OF STATE PASSENGER FEES FROM THE ALASKA LEGISLATURE FOR UPGRADING THE CRUISE SHIP DOCKS IN DOWNTOWN JUNEAU IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10 MILLION DOLLARS.**

**The motion passed without objection.**

Chair Mr. Preston referred the portion of seeking funds and working with the Assembly Finance Committee back to the Docks and Harbors Finance Committee Meeting for further discussion and action.

**MOTION by Mr. Fisk: MOVE FOR THE HARBOR BOARD TO ACCEPT CONCEPT 16B AS PRESENTED BY THE PORT DIRECTOR AS OUR FINAL WORKING PLAN FOR THE NEW CRUISE SHIP DOCK PROJECT AND TO FORWARD IT ON TO THE ASSEMBLY FOR THEIR REVIEW.**

**Mr. Mehrkens seconded the motion.**

Mr. Stone gave a short presentation on this new concept 16B plan.

Discussion followed with Mr. Kueffner, Mr. Stone, Mr. Jardell, Mr. Williams, Mr. Wostmann, and Mr. Jardell.

**The motion passed without objection.**

2. North Douglas Launch Ramp Replacement.

Mr. Stone gave a short presentation on this topic.

Discussion followed with Mr. Mehrkens, Mr. Fisk, Mr. Jardell, and Mr. Williams.

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VI. Items for Action (cont'd).

**MOTION by Mr. Fisk: MOVE TO AUTHORIZE THE PORT DIRECTOR TO DEVELOP BID DOCUMENTS FOR REBUILDING AND REPLACING THE NORTH DOUGLAS LAUNCH RAMP.**

Mr. Jardell seconded the motion.

Discussion followed with Mr. Kueffner, and Mr. Stone.

**The motion passed with 8 yes votes and 1 no vote.**

Chair Mr. Preston placed this item on the next Finance Committee Meeting agenda to discuss possible funding sources for this project.

VII. Items for Information/Discussion.

There were none.

VIII. Committee and Board Member Reports.

A. Operations Committee Meeting – held on September 15, 2009.

Ms. Jebe gave a short report on her last meeting.

She said that Mr. Schade of Nordic Tugs requested to permanently dock all of their tugs at the old Fuel Dock, which is now considered transient moorage. They would give up 4 permanent stalls in order to get all their vessels in the one area.

Mr. Schade also requested to have storage available at Norway Point or closer as currently he has storage clear out a Lemon Creek and would prefer to have it closer and pay us the money.

Ms. Jebe said that they also discussed permanent hook-up of water lines.

She said they also discussed impounded vessels and an out-cry auction is being planned.

Discussion followed with Mr. Etheridge, and Ms. Jebe.

Ms. Jebe added that the upland parking lot across from the Squire's Rest would not be plowed this coming winter so there may be telephone calls to some Harbor Board members in protest.

B. Finance Committee Meeting – held on September 17, 2009.

Mr. Kueffner said that everything that they discussed at their last meeting has already been discussed at tonight's meeting so he had nothing further to add.

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VIII. Committee and Board Member Reports (cont'd).

CIP/Planning Committee Meeting – held on September 22, 2009.

Mr. Fisk said that everything that they discussed at his last meeting has already been discussed at tonight's meeting.

He did add that a letter had been sent to the Mayor regarding the land swap with the University of Alaska .

Mr. Gillette spoke to the two Items that had been pulled from tonight's meeting Agenda. He said that both items were not ready for the funding requests as there will be further minor changes made to the documents.

XI. Administrative Officer's Report.

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

X. Port Engineer' Report.

Mr. Gillette said that he has enclosed his Project Report in the Packet.

XI. Harbormaster's Report.

Mr. Benner said that he had worked with the University for putting in a 10' X 60' trailer for storage. We would recover about \$300.00 per month for this storage.

XII. Port Director's Report.

Mr. Stone said that he and Mr. Benner, and Mr. Gillette, would be attending the Ports and Harbormaster's Conference in Kodiak, Alaska this year.

They will be leaving on October 19, 2009 to return on October 23, 2009, and Mr. Benner would return on October 24 2009.

Mr. Stone added that we have received an e-mail from Mr. Anderson of the Assembly and our topic of the UAS Land Swap will be on the next Land's Committee meeting.

He was requesting that our land payments were all up to date so this would not be an issue at this meeting.

XIII. Committee Administrative Matters.

1. Meeting Calendar for October and November 2009.

Chair Mr. Preston told Board Members to note the schedule for both October and November, 2009 meetings.

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XIII. Committee Administrative Matters (cont'd).

<b><u>Operations Committee Meeting -</u></b>	<b><u>October 13, 2009</u></b>
5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.	Aurora Harbor Office

<b><u>Finance Committee Meeting -</u></b>	<b><u>October 15, 2009</u></b>
5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.	CBJ Assembly Chambers

<b><u>CIP/Planning Committee Meeting -</u></b>	<b><u>November 03, 2009 (October Meeting)</u></b>
5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.	CBJ Assembly Chambers

<b><u>Regular Board Meeting -</u></b>	<b><u>November 05, 2009 (October Meeting)</u></b>
7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.	CBJ Assembly Chambers

<b><u>Operations Committee Meeting -</u></b>	<b><u>November 17, 2009</u></b>
5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.	Aurora Harbor Office

<b><u>Finance Committee Meeting -</u></b>	<b><u>November 19, 2009</u></b>
5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.	CBJ Assembly Chambers

XIV. Executive Session.

**MOTION BY Mr. Etheridge: ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS BOARD MATTERS.**

**The motion passed without objection.**

Executive Session began at 9:02 p.m.

The Regular Board Meeting resumed at 9:16 p.m.

No action was taken.

XV. 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 9:17 p.m.