

CBJ DOCKS & HARBORS BOARD
OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
For October 19, 2010

I. Call to Order.

Committee Chair Mrs. Cheryl Jebe called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

II. Roll.

The following members were present: Don Etheridge, Cheryl Jebe, Jim Preston, Craig Busch, Bob Wostmann and Mike Williams.

Also in attendance were: John Stone – Port Director and Phil Benner – Harbor Master Ruth Danner-City & Borough Assembly Member.

III. Approval of Agenda.

MOTION by Don Etheridge: TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED AND ASKED UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion passed without objection.

IV. Public Participation.

There was none

V. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes.

MOTION by Don Etheridge: TO APPROVE THE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 21, 2010 AS AMENDED AND ASKED UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

The motion passed without objection.

VI. Items for Action.

1. Echo Cove Commercial Use Permit.

Mr. Stone presented Coeur Alaska's request for a permit to run a shuttle boat from the beach at Echo Cove to Kensington Mine each day. Mr. Stone said he received a call from Marion Hobbs. Mr. Hobbs said he did not have any objection in regards to Coeur Alaska getting a permit. Mr. Wostmann asked if on Item # 7 in the Commercial Use of Lands or Facilities Attachments was the total number of trips 30 and how many runs does Coeur Alaska make each season. Mr. Stone stated they average about 11 round trips per week and about 30 people per trip. The Harbor Department will be getting a passenger fee of \$1.10 per passenger per round trip. This permit would be from October 24, 2010 to April 30, 2011.

1. Echo Cove Commercial Use Permit. (Continued)

MOTION by Mr. Busch: TO AUTHORIZE THE PORT DIRECTOR TO ISSUE A COMMERCIAL USE PERMIT TO COEUR ALASKA FOR THE USE OF THE ECHO COVE LAUNCH RAMP FACILITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF OPERATING A PASSENGER SHUTTLE FROM ECHO COVE TO THE KENSINGTON MINE FROM OCTOBER 24, 2010 UNTIL APRIL 30, 2010. AND ASKED UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion passed without objection.

2. Repairs for the UAS White Crane at the Fisheries Terminal

Mr. Stone reported the white harbor crane at the fisheries terminal is not working. To fix the crane we need to replace the brake assembly and gear box. The cost will be \$4000.00. Mrs. Jebe asked Mr. Stone if the University owns this crane. Mr. Stone stated the University owns the crane and we have an agreement with them to have use of it. Mr. Stone said we put about \$2000.00 dollars into the white crane for maintenance and a cover for the hydraulic system. We had about 9.20 hours of use from June to September. We had 92.12 hours of use on the other cranes at the fisheries terminal dock. The board members asked Mr. Stone to check with the University to see if they would help with the expenses of repairing the white crane.

3. Board Attendance Discussion.

Mr. Stone reported he received an e-mail from Mr. Preston wanting the board to consider asking the City Assembly to modify an ordinance of Title 85 to allow the Board to excuse members from the attendance requirements. There is a similar provision that exists for the Assembly in the city charter. This will allow a board member to state their planned absence and let the Board decide if it's excessive. Mr. Preston said the board members from the private marine industry will be able to stay on the committee when they have absences for long periods of time during the summer months. There was further discussion among board members.

MOTION by Mr. Wostmann: TO REQUEST THE ASSEMBLY TO AMEND THE BOARD MEMBERS ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS SET OUT IN THE CBJ ORDINANCE TITLE 85 ALLOWING FOR A BOARD MEMBER TO MISS REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS FOR MORE THAN 90 DAYS WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE HARBOR BOARD AND ASKED UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion passed without objection.

VII. Items for Information/Discussion.

1. Harbormaster Operation Report

Mr. Benner reported he kept the port crew on to finish replacing the bull rails at Auke Bay Harbor. The crew has been able to finish about 300 feet a month during the summer season. We only get about two or three months a year to finished them after the season is over.

Mr. Benner stated there was a concern from Mr. Watson about a connex van located at the Auke Bay Loading Facility Storage Area. He was concerned that if we had allowed someone to store a connex van there, then others would want to do the same. Mr. Benner told him the van is the harbor department's storage van for materials and equipment. He said we have storage available out there for crab pots, gear, and vehicles for a monthly fee.

Mr. Benner reported on the big wind storm Juneau just experienced. In Aurora Harbor on B float we had a busted rod and we fixed it temporarily.

The vessel Star Spirit broke loose and it was rescued. We had John Gaines, who was a past harbor patron, leave the harbors due to trespassing. He took the Carol Lyn outside the harbor and anchored it. It broke loose and drifted up and down the channel until the Coast Guard brought it back into the harbor for the night. The next day, Mr. Gaines went and anchored the Carol Lyn again outside the harbors and the boat sunk down by the Little Rock Dump.

Mr. Benner reported Joe Nava will be looking over the rules and regulations of the permit holders for the commercial booths and seeing if we need to update or change anything.

Further discussion among committee member and Mr. Stone took place at this time.

VIII. Staff & Member Reports.

Mr. Benner and Mr. Stone will be going to Wrangell from October 25th through October 29, 2010 to the Harbor Masters conference.

IX. Committee Administrative Matters.

The next Operations Meeting is scheduled for November 16, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. at the Juneau Harbor Office.

X. **MOTION by Mr. Etheridge: ASKED UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO ADJOURN.**

Motion passed without objection.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.