

March 25, 2020

Jake Beatie, NW Maritime Center

Hello Port Townsend representing electeds,

I wanted to forward you some correspondence I sent to the NWMC's stakeholders last week about our changes in operations. The short version is that as of today all 52 of our employees, including myself, have been to some extent furloughed until further notice. Some of us are working drastically reduced hours, most are working almost none, until we are again able to operate. At our core we serve students in school, and gather people in classroom to community sized groups in our classes and celebrations. We can't do any of that so we have enacted 80% staff cuts to preserve the resources we have for the time when we can.

I have all confidence that we will return to our fighting weight at some point in the future, but rather than expending reserves now, we're going to keep our powder dry until a later time. We aren't closed for good, but we are closed.

I wanted to let you know for your own knowledge of the community you serve, and to make sure you are aware of the non-profits in your constituency that will need the same type of assistance as small businesses- to the extent that you are enacting policies to mitigate the effects of this downturn, please make sure that the non-profit sector is a part of those plans.

Thanks for all you are doing to safeguard the public good in these times, and let me know if there is a role you think I or the Maritime Center can play as we work our way through this. Not looking for a paycheck, just looking to help.

Sincerely,
Jake

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Commissioners & staff -

Your recent enactment of lease rate change for Todd Flge & myself to 18¢ per square foot changes for me an arrangement with the acting director (Jim Pavarik) and the lease arranger (Sue Nelson) that I understood to grandfather my lease at 16¢ per square foot. If possible, I would appreciate being held to 16¢ as per my understanding

Respectfully
Dail Thompson

From: Jeff Kelety <jgkelety@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, March 25, 2020 9:43 AM

To: Pam Petranek <Pam@portofpt.com>; Pete Hanke <phanke@portofpt.com>; Bill Putney <bill@portofpt.com>

Cc: Eron Berg <Eron@portofpt.com>; Pam Patranek <pampetranek@gmail.com>

Subject: Moorage fee leniency

Commissioners -

Due to the financial hardships that the Coronavirus can impart on moorage tenants I am suggesting that the Port provide latitude on moorage payments. Similar latitude has been provided by other government and financial entities. The IRS pushed back tax filing deadlines to July 15. Washington State is offering concessions to property tax payments. School loan interest has been deferred. And the Port Townsend Main Street program is recommending commercial landlords provide rent leniency. In the Port's case, late fees could be eliminated over the next three months. Additionally, the Port's boat receivership policy could be relaxed over this period if a tenant were to lose their boat specifically due to impact of the virus. The latter is similar to Seattle's recent no-eviction policy.

Policies such as this could help in sustaining a vibrant boating environment through this crisis.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeff Kelety
Moorage tenant

From: Bertram Levy <bertramlevymusic@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2020 7:33 PM

To: Pam Petranek <Pam@portofpt.com>; Bill Putney <bill@portofpt.com>; Jim Pivarnik <jim@portofpt.com>; Eron Berg <Eron@portofpt.com>; Peter Hanke <petehanke@gmail.com>

Subject: public comment tomorrow

Given the virtual meeting tomorrow I will offer my public comment now for your consideration tomorrow.

We will definitely be in a recession and perhaps worse. It very well may be that the moorage tenants will not be able to make their moorage payments. In 2008 the Port responded by adjusting rates and if I remember correctly actually skipped a few payments. Naturally that will effect the port's revenue.

This is an issue that I think would be worth opening a preemptive discussion in a meeting or workshop sooner than later.

i have been practicing social distancing on the bay with my new Murrelet

thanks for you consideration

Bertram



From: Kathleen Murphy <katfishsalmonco@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2020 8:36 AM

To: Pam Petranek <Pam@portofpt.com>

Subject: Check in

Hi Pam,

I hope you are weathering the stay at home order well. It was great to touch base with you on the phone yesterday thank you for checking in with me.

After my public comment Kristian reached out to me to apologize for what he called a "miscommunication." For the record he was and remains polite in his interactions with me. He said that he would do his best to find me a slip but the policy of the port is no-reservations for guest moorage. I was told 2-years ago that the waitlist is 5-years or more for a permanent slip so I haven't tried after my initial inquiry and remain "guest moorage" status.

Yesterday I made a snap decision to move my in-water date up to today so he was able to secure me a slip through May 1st in the commercial boat basin.

If you have time at the meeting I've compiled a list of what the Port of Port Townsend's direct competitor Squalicum Harbor in Bellingham is doing for their commercial boats:

-Commercial boats are given preference in their commercial boat basin. This is not the case in Port Townsend.

-They charge by the foot not by the slip. This allows commercial boats to be shuffled around more easily, there are 15 50' slips, 21 30' slips and only 10 40' slips in the commercial boat basin here. This puts me at a disadvantage as my boat is 38.'

-Their monthly rates are lower. My monthly moorage costs in bellingham are at least \$100/month lower than port townsend on average.

Bellingham commercial rates:

less than 80ft is \$6.39

over 80ft is \$7.20

-They have a commercial day rate. which is very important for commercial boats trying to haul out here transiting from other locations.

-They offer a sub-lease agreement for permanent moorage holders. I only have to pay \$25/month to hold my slip while I'm fishing in the summer. This is more than fair it's a necessity as most commercial boats moored here have to pay double moorage as they are in and out of ports all summer throughout WA and AK.

-They offer gear lockers that are open only to commercial boats at subsidized rates. My gear locker there costs \$60/month for 280square feet of space with an electric outlet that I am not charged for. In the future a great long term goal would be to offer more commercial storage for local businesses.

-I know it's already been voted in but I'd also like it noted that I do not support the IDD money being spent on a bathroom/lounge for private plane owners. I do not think it's in the public's best interest right now.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Kat Murphy

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From: Ronald Schmidt <ronaldschmidt1@mac.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2020 12:28 PM
To: PPT Info <info@portofpt.com>
Subject: Point Hudson RV park long-term tenants

Ron here. We are monthly tenants at Point Hudson RV park thru the end of April and trying to plan for beyond that. We would be interested in staying longer at the monthly rate, at least for the month of May, perhaps even beyond that depending on circumstances. There are other tenants also interested in staying longer. Since there appears to be cancellations we're hoping the park opens up enough for us to stay and at least the Port could have some revenue where there would otherwise be none. Our trailer is fully self-contained so we don't need any common-area facilities that might be closed.

During your business meeting please discuss these options and a possible date for extending the duration of Emergency Order 2020-3 (item #3). The intention of the methods for dealing with this health crisis is for us all to minimize contact through less travel, so it would be great to stay here.

Thanks!

Ron and KrisAnne, site #346, Point Hudson RV Park

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Mark Stout

Hi. Mark Stout a.k.a. Scow Bay Boats here. I'd like to comment On a potential lease rate adjustment for those of us that own our own structures.

A fair rate for all is in order. While an .18 per square foot rate seems fair, it would double my current rate. My goal is to have a multi year lease again soon.

So I hope the Port will consider a reasonable and affordable rate for our small businesses. Especially during these recent times of uncertainty.

Also I'd strongly suggest the Port continue the seasonal discounted yard rate through May if not longer to encourage haul outs. We are reaching the period when most workboats head out for the summer season. We need to fill those spaces.

Date: March 24, 2020

From: Marina Café, Jennifer Takaki

Executive Director Berg and Commissioners;

It is my understanding that all nonessential business should close for the time period designated by the governor. This closure allows for workers to remain at home thus preventing/minimizing the spread of the COVID-19 virus. The port community is not an exception to this order, nor are its' businesses that do not meet the critical essential business classification.

If the port allows exemptions to the state-wide order that business requesting an exemption should be required to:

- Specify the service they provide, describe their sector profile and essential workforce. This information should reference the governor's office list that outlines jobs and businesses in Washington that are considered essential.
- If a business provides more than one service and only a segment of their overall business is considered essential only that component of their business should be allowed open.
- If an essential classification is requested and a contract between entities supports that classification, the contract should be provided.

Please know I bring this before the commission only to support my community as we all work together to help stop the spread of the virus. We are doing our part to protect our families, our community in hopes that we can get back to work as soon as possible. When folks do not respect the order and with their own common sense leave a 6 foot distance between each other, clean surfaces etc we are all at risk of exposure to the virus.

Thank you, Jennifer Takaki