## Port of Brownsville Newsletter March 2021



## PORT OF BROWNSVILLE PLACES 5th OVERALL FOR RCO GRANT!



Starting in the fall of 2020 the Port of Brownsville decided to go after competitive grant funding through the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO).

Although funding is not guaranteed it will most likely occur according to the grant manager! This means new pay stations for the ramp area, the fuel dock area and new or replacment lighting. At a cost of potentially \$114,700 the Port will only be responsible to pay it's match of \$28,675.

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## Welcome New Employee – Jean Muenzenberger

As you all are aware the Port has been actively recruiting to fill a few vacancies on our staff. Starting in March we will bring on a new face in the office to assist Joe and all of you. Jean comes to us with a background in accounting services, port experience, marina experience and has been involved with yacht clubs in the area. We are excited to have her so please welcome her when you see her.

## **New Revision to 2021 Tariffs**

At the Special Meeting of the Commission on March 24, 2021, the commission voted to delay the increase in liveaboard fees until July 1, 2021. What this means is the liveaboard fee of \$55/month from 2020 would be assessed for January 2021 – June 2021. In July, the new 2021 rate of \$100/month would be assessed. Credits will be given for January and February Denizans who paid the higher rate.

At that same special meeting the commission also changed the late fee calculation from the previous wording of late fees of 2% per day after the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month to simply be 2% of the unpaid balance after the 15<sup>th</sup>. This will ease administrative time and excessive fees for unpaid balances. It does pay to keep your account current as there would be no additional fees. This change is effective on the date of the meeting so going forward and is not retroactive.

Our new pay-on-line feature has gotten a lot of attention and use. We are pleased that many of you have taken advantage of this 24 hour per day option. For those of you who haven't utilized this easy option yet, please give it a try.





The Port is still collecting applications for a permanent Port Manager and the commission hopes to first review the applications as part of their meeting on March 10. Please contact the Port Office for an application or job description information and see our website for the complete package. www.Portofbrownsville.org

The Port Office continues to be closed to the public. Office personnel will still be working and are available via email or phone. Fuel hours will remain from Tuesday - Saturday 8:30AM-4:30PM. Please respect the health and well being of the office by abiding by these precautions. Masks are required in and around the marina. requirement.



Commissioners' Meeting:

The regularly scheduled meeting will be March 10 at 6:00 P.M.

The meeting will be hosted using Zoom. Meeting ID: 963 4213 4922 PW: 257473

To Access by phone, dial 1-253-215-8782 and follow the instructions to enter the meeting. Please keep your device muted as repeated interruptions may result in your removal from the meeting.

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