# Port of Brownsville Newsletter June 2021



## PORT OF BROWNSVILLE COMMERCIAL BUSINESSES

REMINDER if you are operating a commercial or business activity at the Port this must be registered and approved by the Port Commission per our rules and regulations. If there are any unregistered businesses at this time, please stop into the Port office to get the process started. The Port is supportive of business and commercial operations we just need to know ahead so we can make sure the business fits our environment.

# STATE OF WASHINGTON ANNUAL VESSEL REGISTRATION

On June 30 of each year the annual boat registrations expire. We try to send reminders out to all tenants prior to the expiration. Current registration is required and evidence of a copy of that registration should be maintained in the Port's files. Please if you haven't already done so purchase your new vessel registration, get a copy to the Port office for your file and display it on your vessel. Thank you!

### PORT OF BROWNSVILLE VACANT SLIP UPDATE

The Port continues to move forward making great stride on filling the vacant slips. With the addition of Jean to the office her efforts are continuing on getting all of the empty slips filled. At last count there were only two remaining slips left. Great job Jean and all staff for these efforts and getting these revenues back for the Port.





#### **MOORAGE PAYMENTS**

The Port truly appreciates current payments, but as a cash basis entity as much as we love collecting money we do not want to take extra payments. In other words, please pay your exact amount of your invoice in full each month, no more and no less. We find many people just round if they owe \$303.58 they just pay \$305.00. That silly \$1.42 difference takes a lot of staff time to get it off of the current

months books. Auto recurring payments set up through the port could eliminate this and make things easier on the tenants. If there is truly a desire to pay quarterly or annually please contact the port to see if annual or quarterly invoicing can be applied to your account. Otherwise, for all other tenants please only pay what is owed on the invoice.

#### PORT MANAGER UPDATE

The commission officially hired the new Port Manager. Carol Ehlinger comes to the Port with a diverse background including the Washington State Auditor's Office most recently. Carol will start on June 2 so make sure to give her a warm welcome!





As the State of Washington transitions into Phase 3 the guidelines are becoming less restrictive. Please know that the Port will continue to take this phasing slowly with safety of tenants, staff and guests at the forefront of these decisions. Office personnel will still be working and are available via email or phone. Fuel hours will remain from Tuesday – Saturday 8:30AM – 4:30PM.

Commissioners' Meeting:

The regularly scheduled meeting will be June 16th at 6:00 P.M.\*

\*Please note this date was formally changed on the January 13, 2021 Commission Meeting

The meeting will be hosted using Zoom. Meeting ID: 965 0881 2951 PW: 270700

To Access by phone, dial 1-253-215-8782 and follow the instructions to enter the meeting.

For updates and information on the Coronavirus: Coronavirus.wa.gov