Port of Brownsville

Newsletter September 2021



AUGUST IS SEAWORTHINESS MONTH

The Port of Brownsville is currently conducting vessel checks for compliance with the Port's Rules and Regulations regarding vessel seaworthiness.

The checks will include but are not limited to:

- Current registration sticker
- General condition of the vessel including appearance of regular maintenance
- Appearance of excessive bottom growth that would impair the vessel from reasonable control and power function
- The vessel's propulsion system (engine, outdrive or sail) in condition that lends to reasonable use
- Condition & compliance of the ship to shore power cable
- AC stray current check
- Completed New Moorage Agreement

Depending on these visual inspections, the Port Staff may require the owner to navigate the vessel from the moorage slip, navigate outside the port approximately 500 yards and return safely to moorage.



NEW MOORAGE AGREEMENTS

The Port has moorage agreements for all tenants to sign. Please stop by the office to sign. Also, if you haven't provided your email address, please do!

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. Beginning in 2022 you can choose to pay

your moorage annually, quarterly or monthly. Contact the office regarding new payment options.

PORT COMMISSION COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Meetings to discuss our comprehensive scheme have begun taking place. Be on the lookout for information on upcoming dates and times for meetings.

DOCK BOXES

Taking names of those interested in purchasing a Dock Box. Cost is, currently, \$561.62 (includes taxes & fees)

ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES

Our recently acquired Port Manager has decided to set sail to distant seas. The commission voted to appoint Maintenance Manager Jerry Williams as the Interim Port General Manager until further action is decided.

Commissioners' Meeting:

The regularly scheduled meeting **will be <u>September 15, 2021</u>* at 6:00pm**The meeting will be held in the Yacht Club room with the option of using Zoom.

Meeting ID: 868 0581 7033 PW: 831316

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