

AAHPA Executive Secretary's Report

October 15, 2020

Membership & Financial Update

2020-21 Membership Renewals August 20 to October 10, 2020:

Level	Total	Pending Renewal	Dues Received To-Date	Possible Total Dues (including pending)
Corporate	45	25	\$3,980 (includes Affiliates)	\$4,670
Sustaining	53 companies with 104 individual representatives	39 companies	\$3,150	\$9,090
Affiliate	50	0	-	-
Associate	9	5	\$105	\$175
Reciprocal	4	NA	NA	NA

Total 2020-21 Dues Received: \$7,270

Total 2020-21 Dues Outstanding: \$13,970

Total 2020-21 Potential Dues: \$21,240

Total individual membership listings in our directory: 234

New members since the Juneau conference include

Sustaining Members: McDowell Group, Hanson Maritime, Phoenix Lighting, Vision Subsea LLC.
Corporate member Chilkoot Indian Association.
Associate Member Harvey Smith.

Fall Speaker Series Update

Thanks to everyone for calling in and participating in our fall series! It's far from ideal, as we all know, but it's been good to see you guys and it's better than nothing. It does provide an opportunity for those who wouldn't otherwise be able to travel to a conference to attend, including City Managers and Board/Commission/Council/Assembly members. The Zoom platform is \$15/month, and as such it's a pretty affordable alternative in this time of covid.

Resolutions & Advocacy

There is one resolution proposed for AAHPA for 2020-21:

2020-1: Supporting the Municipal Harbor Matching Grant Program funding

In advance of this meeting, and at the request of the Board, I have prepared the 2020 harbor grant resolution in formats for both the AAHPA membership to review and for the Alaska Municipal League. In order to meet AML's deadline, the City of Homer passed this resolution and we submitted it will submit them to AML for their review at their fall conference (due by Sept. 30). Following approval of AAHPA Resolution 2020-1 by the membership, I will send a word document version to our corporate members, and post passed resolutions from around the state on the website.

I have two suggested additional changes to the resolution. The first change is to add as the second to last whereas clause: “Whereas, over the past five years, municipal harbors have submitted \$58 million in capital project match requests, representing over \$116M million in shovel-ready capital projects that have received only \$16.6 million in funding through the Municipal Harbor Facility Grant program with zero funding in FY21”

The second proposal is to update the dollar amount in the third-to-last Whereas clause from \$100,000,000 (which we have used as a placeholder for many years) to “\$1.9 billion” using the summarized capital project costs from Nils’ presentation on Sept. 29.

Derelict Vessels/Vessel Registration

Earlier this summer, I connected with the facilitator of the ADV Task Force for the West Coast/BC Oil Spill Task Force, the group that produced the ADV Blue Ribbon Program report. We discussed what work had been done, and next steps. My takeaway is that it is up to the states individually to develop next step plans for their derelict vessel programs hopefully utilizing the information in the report. Following from that, the AAHPA might consider what it can help facilitate among members to further strengthen our municipalities and protect our harbors from the costs and liabilities of derelict vessels. As usual, this is an ongoing conversation.

Outreach (website, listserv, emails, etc.)

I am going to encourage the Board to move the listserv to a google groups platform. This is what PCC is using, and I think it will be a decent new platform to serve the needs of the membership. The current listserv is having some issues with security, and we have no technical assistance from the university. Any feedback is welcomed!

Calendar (2020-21)

You’ll find in your Board packet a calendar sheet with important dates, both for the AAHPA and for partner organizations and events we have traditionally participated in. I have suggested dates and times for quarterly Board meetings. While we may need to adjust these slightly as they draw nearer, I would encourage the Board to establish an agreed upon meeting schedule for the year ahead.