

Cook Inlet Harbor Safety Committee

Meeting Agenda

April 17, 2025

1:00pm – 4:00pm (AKDT)

BP Energy Center – 1014 Energy Court, Anchorage, AK 99508

Committee Members:

Bryan Crisp, At Large – Primary
Captain Justin Theriot, At Large – Alternate
Steve “Vinnie” Catalano, CIRCAC – Primary
Shaylon Cochran, CIRCAC – Alternate
David Martin, Commercial Fishing – Primary
Captain Erik Velsko, Commercial Fishing – Alternate
Frank Smith, Dry Cargo Ship Operators – Primary
Vicente “Ben” Cruz, Dry Cargo Ship Operators – Alternate
Rachel Lord, Environmental – Primary
Suzann Speckman, Environmental – Alternate
Captain Brad Kroon, Harbor Tug Operators – Primary
Bill Wolverton, Offshore Oil Production – Primary
David Griffin, Port Mackenzie – Primary
Steve Ribuffo, Port of Alaska – Primary
Ronnie Poole, Port of Alaska – Alternate
Bryan Hawkins, Port of Homer – Primary
Garrett St. Clair, Recreational Boaters – Primary
Todd Paxton, Response Organization – Primary
Todd Duke, Salvage Organization – Primary
Luke Hasenbank, Ship Agents – Primary
Andrew Mew, Ship Agents – Alternate
Captain Ian Maury, SWAPA – Primary, *HSC Vice-Chair*
Captain Christopher Buckley, SWAPA – Alternate
Captain Mark Maxim, Tanker Operators – Primary
Mark Theriault, Tug & Barge Operators – Primary

Managing Board:

Mayor Peter Micciche, President
Captain Ron Ward, Vice President
Mike Munger, Secretary/Treasurer
Captain Paul Mehler, HSC Chair
Captain Jeff Brue, Member

Ex Officio:

Carly Lynch, USACE
Jeremy Allen, USACE
Capt. Christopher Culpepper, USCG
CDR Christine Brown, USCG
LTJG Brett Woodward, USCG
BMC Stephen Braun, USCG
MST2 Elizabeth Burges, USCG
CIV Daniel Payne, USCG
Mike Wills, USCG
LCDR Caroline Wilkinson, NOAA
Col. Daniel Craig, DOD ALCOM
Capt. Steve White, AK Marine Exchange
Jade Gamble, ADEC
David Blossom, ADEC
Anna Carey, ADEC
Ron Van Sickle, ADOT&PF
Chief Trent Burnett, Nikiski Fire Department

Other:

Haley Griffin, Nuka Research

- I. Call to Order Captain Paul Mehler
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Introductions Haley Griffin (5 min)
 - a. Welcome new members
- III. Housekeeping Actions Captain Paul Mehler (5 min)
 - a. Meeting Protocols
- IV. Approval of Agenda
- V. Approval of Meeting Summary – September 19, 2024
- VI. Round Table Committee Voting Member Comments (10 min)
- VII. Reports to Committee
 - a. Ex Officio Reports (5 min)
 - i. USACE Carly Lynch
 - ii. USCG Captain Christopher Culpepper, COTP
 - iii. ADEC Jade Gamble

- iv. NOAA LCDR Caroline Wilkinson
 - v. MXAK Captain Steve White
- b. Managing Board Report Mayor Peter Micciche (5 min)
- c. HSC Chair Report..... Captain Paul Mehler (5 min)
- d. Work Group Reports (5 min each)
 - i. Navigation Work group TBD
 - ii. Salvage Work group Todd Duke
 - iii. Marine Firefighting Work group..... CIV Daniel Payne
 - iv. Harbor Safety Plan Work group..... Vinnie Catalano
- e. Facilitator's Report.....Haley Griffin

-- 10-minute break --

VIII. Presentations

- a. Baltimore Bridge Incident BriefingTodd Duke (45 min)
- b. Port MacKenzie Operations and Capabilities.....David Griffin (25 min)
- c. Homer Port Expansion Project BriefingBryan Hawkins (25 min)

IX. New Business (5 min)

X. Public Comments (limited to 3 min each)

XI. Review Action Items and Set Next Meeting.....Chair & Staff

XII. Adjourn

Meeting Materials:

1. Meeting Protocols (sent in separate attachment)
2. CIHSC Roster
3. Meeting Summary – September 19, 2024
4. List of Work Group members