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**Subject:** RE: [External] Re: Brig Niagara - Spring 2021 plans

Dear Ann,

PHMC is not in a position to discuss operations or programming on the *Brig Niagara* at this time, but we are sensitive to the issues you raised.

While you did not mention the *Lettie G. Howard* in your note to me on Friday, please feel free to contact me by phone to discuss that vessel.

My best - Jim

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**From:** Ann Halupczynski [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Friday, April 16, 2021 9:56 AM  
**To:** Hall, James <[REDACTED]>  
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Jim

I received your email.

How do we remedy this situation? I apologize if there was a lack of communication regarding the need to go to shipyard. Perhaps we are in the habit of assuming that what we know is commonplace.

Please let me know how we move forward successfully.

Leaving the cover on and to not ready her for another season reflects poorly on PHMC. It is very visual. Also any emm attendees cannot board the Niagara until shipyard and inspection are completed.

I look forward to hearing from you so we can have a successful opening and enhanced experience.

Best

Ann

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 16, 2021, at 9:01 AM, Hall, James <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Good morning all,

PHMC has recently been in receipt of information about certain of the FNL's plans for the spring as well as its proposed health and safety policies. As owner and administrator of the *Brig Niagara*, please be advised that PHMC has not given FNL permission to sail or use the *Brig Niagara* (and neither has FNL sought permission) whether to complete Coast Guard inspection or any other activity. Therefore, the FNL should not remove the canvas covering of the *Niagara*, and the FNL's recruitment and hiring of summer staff positions to crew the *Niagara* should be suspended. Offers of hire made without the express approval of the PHMC Site Administrator will need to be rescinded, as the *Brig* will remain at dock until further notice.

Please be reminded that all of PHMC's sites, museums, and property are subject to the same health and safety-related mitigation measures that are in force across all Commonwealth agencies and property. As it is not a Commonwealth-owned property, PHMC has no position regarding FNL's proposed operation of the *Lettie G. Howard*, however, please note that access to the *Lettie G. Howard* as a programming site when docked at the Erie Maritime Museum can only be permitted when the museum is open to the public. This includes both boarding and disembarking of passengers for any static or underway programming originating or ending at the Museum docking facility. Erie Maritime Museum operating hours for April 30, 2021 – June 30, 2021 will be Fridays & Saturdays only, 9AM - 5PM with last admission sold at 4PM.

Please confirm receipt of this notice. Please convey any additional questions to me such that PHMC's executive team and counsel may answer as thoroughly and quickly as possible.

Sincerely, JIM

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