

IDAHO STATE TAX COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS' OPEN MEETING MINUTES OF MEETING OCTOBER 1, 2014

In attendance: Commissioners Richard W. Jackson, Tom Katsilometes, and Ken A. Roberts; Michael Chakarun, Debbie Coulson, Valerie Dilley, Steve Fiscus, Scott Grothe, Roxanne Lopez, Robin O'Neill, Chuck Pond, Mark Poppler, Liz Rodosovich, Mike Teller, Randy Tilley, Bill von Tagen, Doreen Warren; Cynthia Adrian; Mat Cundiff, Chelsea Kidney, Erick Shaner, Phil Skinner; Marc Norton, Jerott Rudd, Dwayne Hines; Steve Olsen, Coleen Zahn.

Guests: Brody Aston, Jonathan Parker, Jeremy Pisca.

Public Session.

Commissioner Tom Katsilometes convened the open meeting and welcomed all those in attendance.

Presentation of Certificates of Service.

Roxanne Lopez, Human Resources Officer, acknowledged the employees receiving a Certificate of Service, and stated how much their combined 80 years of state service were appreciated.

The Certificate of Service recipients in attendance were: Elizabeth Williams, Financial Technician (Audit), Vanessa Stucker, Tax Compliance Technician (Collections), Jerott Rudd, Tax Appraiser, Senior (Property Tax), and Kristin Witt, Tax Technical Unit Supervisor (Revenue Operations), for 10 years of state service; and Marc Norton, Tax Automated System Manager (Revenue Operations), for 20 years of state service and a thank-you letter from the Governor.

The absent recipients will have their certificates presented at a later date. Their names are: Wilma Robertson, Geographic Information System Analyst Senior (Property Tax), for 5 years of state service; and Tim Clark, Storekeeper (Management Services), for 15 years of state service.

The Commissioners congratulated all the recipients and said how the recipients' combined total of 80 years of dedicated state service was commendable and how the everyday work they do is appreciated.

Business Requiring Vote of the Commission.

Minutes: Open Meeting – September 17, 2014.

Chairman Jackson moved that the minutes of the open meeting held on September 17, 2014, be approved. Commissioner Roberts seconded. There were no comments or amendments. All voted in the affirmative and the minutes of the open meeting on September 17, 2014, were approved.

Resolution 14-08 – 2015 Stumpage Values.

Rod Brevig, Forest Tax Administrator, presented Resolution 14-08 – 2015 Stumpage Values, and recommended the Commission adopt the resolution, which establishes calendar year 2015 stumpage values. Rod noted that the resolution is in accordance with the requirements and directions found in Idaho Code 63-1706 (4)(b) to establish the stumpage values by forest value zone for each species and/or product, for use in the reporting and payment of yield taxes for timber severed during the calendar year of 2015.

Commissioner Roberts moved that Resolution 14-08 – 2015 Stumpage Values be adopted, and Chairman Jackson seconded. There were no comments or questions. All voted in the affirmative and Resolution 14-08 was adopted.

There was no more business requiring a vote of the Commission.

Administrative Reports.

There were no administrative reports.

Reports on Rules Committees.

[Income Tax, Administration & Enforcement, Kilowatt, Mine License Rules – Committee Chair, Cynthia Adrian.](#)

Cynthia Adrian, Income Tax, Administration & Enforcement, Kilowatt, and Mine License Rules Committee Chair, noted that there was nothing new to report.

There were no questions.

[Motor and Special Fuels Tax Rules – Committee Chair, Don Williams.](#)

Don Williams, the Motor and Special Fuels Tax Rules Committee Chair, was absent and there was no rules committee report.

[Sales & Use Tax Administrative Rules – Committee Chair, McLean Russell.](#)

McLean Russell, Sales & Use Tax Administrative Rules Committee Chair, was absent and there was no rules committee report.

[Property Tax Rules – Committee Chair, Alan Dornfest.](#)

Alan Dornfest, Property Tax Rules Committee Chair was absent and there was no rules committee report.

There were no rules committee reports.

Other Business.

Bill von Tagen, Deputy Attorney General, presented This Day in History.

This Day in History, October 1:

Birthdate: 1935 – Julie Andrews was born in England, actress/singer (Sound of Music, Mary Poppins)

1800 – Spain cedes Louisiana to France in a secret treaty.

1890 – Yosemite National Park established.

1908 – Henry Ford introduces the Model T car (costs \$825)

1910 – Berkshire Cattle Fair held in Pittsfield MA (1st state fair)

1938 – Germany annexes Sudetenland (1/3 of Czechoslovakia)

1942 – Bell P-59 Aerocomet fighter, 1st USA jet, makes maiden flight

1951 – 24th Infantry Regiment, last all-black military unit, deactivated

1955 – “Honeymooners” television show premieres

1968 – The movie “Night of the Living Dead” premieres in Pittsburg

1971 – Walt Disney World in Orlando, Florida opens
1979 – US returns Canal Zone to Panama after 75 years (but not the canal)
1989 – Thousands of East Germans flee to West Germany

#1 Song

1940 – “I’ll Never Smile Again” sung by Tommy Dorsey.

This Month in History, October:

October 7; 1958 – US manned space-flight project renamed Project Mercury
1959 – Far side of Moon seen for first time, compliments of USSR’s Luna 3
October 14; 1066 – Battle of Hastings, in which William the Conqueror wins England
1944 – German Field Marshal Erwin Rommel commits suicide rather than
face trial for his part in an attempt to overthrow Hitler
October 21; 1797 – US Navy frigate Constitution, Old Ironsides, launched in Boston
1917 – First Americans to see action on the front lines of WWI
October 28: 1636 – Harvard University (Boston) established
1919 – Volstead Act passed by Congress, starts prohibition over President
Wilson’s veto
1962 – Khrushchev orders withdrawal of missiles from Cuba, ending crisis

There was no other business.

Public Comments.

Commissioner Katsilometes acknowledged and thanked Brody Aston, of Lobby Idaho, and Jonathan Parker, of Holland and Hart LLC, and Jeremy Pisca, of Risch Pisca PLLC, for attending. Commissioner Roberts added that although the rules process is on hold, the commissioners welcome those who are interested for all the meetings.

There were no public comments.

Recess.

Commissioner Katsilometes recessed the Public Session for five minutes to reconvene for the commissioners to meet with the Commission’s legal counsel.

Reconvene Meeting.

Commissioner Katsilometes reconvened the open meeting.

Executive Session.

Commissioner Roberts moved to go into the Executive Session with its legal counsel pursuant to Idaho Code § 67-2345(1)(f) to discuss the current status of litigation to which the Commission is a party, in addition to discuss matters which are exempt pursuant to Idaho Code § 67-2345(1)(b). Chairman Jackson seconded. A roll call vote was given by Valerie Dilley, Executive Administrative Assistant. Commissioners Jackson, Katsilometes, and Roberts all voted in favor and the motion passed.

The Commission met in executive session with its legal counsel pursuant to Idaho Code § 67-2345(1)(f) to discuss the current status of litigation to which the Commission is a party, in addition to discuss matters which are exempt pursuant to Idaho Code § 67-2345(1)(b). No matters requiring a vote of the Commission resulted from the executive session.

Public Session.

Commissioner Katsilometes declared the Executive Session ended and returned to the public session.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Valerie J. Dilley
Secretary

Tom Katsilometes
Chair