

**COMMISSIONERS' OPEN MEETING
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD OCTOBER 12, 2011**

In attendance: Commissioners Tom Katsilometes, David Langhorst, and Rich Jackson; Valerie Dilley, Steve Fiscus, Roxanne Lopez, Steve Miller, Robin O'Neill, Marc Norton, Lisa Palmer, Mark Poppler, Ted Spangler, Bill von Tagen, Randy Tilley; Chelsea Kidney, Carl Olsson, Erick Shaner, Phil Skinner; Lisa Denmark, Gary Kenley, Wesley Vinsonhaler; Steve Olsen.

Commissioner Jackson convened the meeting as the Acting Chairman in Commissioner Geddes' absence.

Executive Session. Commissioner Katsilometes moved that the Commission meet 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. Commissioners Katsilometes, Langhorst, and Jackson voted in favor. No matters requiring a vote of the Commission resulted from the executive session.

Public Session. Commissioner Jackson declared the Executive Session was ended, and recessed for three minutes before reconvening for the Public Session.

Presentation of Certificates of Service.

Roxanne Lopez acknowledged the employees that were receiving Certificates of Service and stated how much all of their work efforts were appreciated.

Roxanne, with the Commissioners, presented certificates to: Wesley Vinsonhaler (Field Collections Bureau) for 5 years of service; Gary Kenley (Property Tax) for 10 years of service; Lisa Denmark (Sales Tax Audit Bureau) for 20 years of service, with a thank-you letter from the Governor;

The absent recipients were: Dawn Marie Baltadonis (Tax Discovery Bureau) for 5 years of service; Clara Maretko (Sales Tax Audit Bureau) and Toni Nash-Jackson (Audit/Collections) for 15 years of service; and Kathy Shores (Tax Discovery Bureau) for 20 years of service, with a thank-you letter from the Governor.

Commissioner Jackson thanked the recipients for their contribution to the Idaho State Tax Commission, and noted how their years of service were commendable and appreciated.

Minutes.

Commissioner Katsilometes moved that the minutes of the Open Meeting held on September 7, 2011, be approved and Commissioner Langhorst seconded. All voted in the affirmative, and the minutes were approved.

Commissioner Katsilometes moved that the minutes of the State Board of Equalization held on August 8, 2011; August 15, 2011 AM; August 15, 2011 PM; and August 22, 2011, be approved and Commissioner Langhorst seconded. All voted in the affirmative, and the minutes were approved.

Administrative Reports.

Bill von Tagen, Legal. Bill noted that the deputy attorneys general would meet next week on the realignment of duties, following the addition of a new attorney. The attorneys would also be attending a CLE on taking difficult depositions.

Other.

Resolution 11-09 – 2012 Stumpage Values.

Steve Fiscus, in Rod Brevig’s absence, presented Resolution 11-09 – 2012 Stumpage Values and recommended the proposed stumpage values for 2012 for adoption. The resolution was 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 2012.

Steve noted that the stumpage values recommended by Rod Brevig, Forest Tax Administrator, were published in a memorandum dated October 12, 2011, and the Idaho State Tax Commission accepted both written and oral comments regarding the recommended stumpage values.

Commissioner Langhorst moved and Commissioner Katsilometes seconded that Resolution 11-09 – 2012 Stumpage Values be adopted and accepted. Commissioner Jackson asked for any more questions and there were none. The Commissioners all voted in the affirmative, and the motion carried.

Travel Policies and Rules for the Idaho State Tax Commission.

Mark Poppler proposed the Travel Policies and Rules for the Idaho State Tax Commission, which included a reduction in the requirements. The new policy reduces the amount of agency requirements that were in addition to those found in the state policy. Minor changes and edits were previously discussed in length in recent Executive Leadership Team meetings. Mark recommended the new policy be adopted by the Commission.

Commissioner Langhorst moved and Commissioner Katsilometes seconded that the new Travel Policies and Rules for the Idaho State Tax Commission be adopted and accepted. Commissioner Jackson asked for any more questions and there were none. The Commissioners all voted in the affirmative, and the motion carried.

Bill von Tagen presented This Day in History.

This Day in History, October 12:

- 1492 – Columbus arrives in Bahamas
- 1823 – Charles MacIntosh of Scotland began selling raincoats
- 1886 – Sherlock Holmes “Adventure of Second Stain”
- 1933 – Alcatraz become a federal prison
- 1933 – John Dillinger escapes from Allen County Jail
- 1963 – The Bay Bridge is one way on each deck.

#1 Songs, October 12

- 1898 – “She was Happy Till She Met You” by Dan Quinn
- 1976 – “Disco Duck” by Rick Dees and His Cast of Idiots

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Valerie Dilley
Secretary

Rich Jackson
Chair