

Minutes of Meeting
Requests for Cancellation of Taxes
September 7, 2022
9:00 a.m.

The Kootenai County Board of Commissioners: Chair Pro Tem Leslie Duncan and Commissioner Bill Brooks met to discuss the following agenda items. Also present were Assessor Bela Kovacs, Chief Deputy Assessor Ben Crotinger, Treasurer's Office Treasury Specialist IV Dee Ann Reed, BOCC Administrative Secretary Teri Johnston, BOCC Communications Coordinator Jonathan Gillham and Deputy Clerk Tina Ginorio. Also present were Kootenai County Residents David McDonald, Nadya McDonald and Carolyn MacWhirter. Chair Pro Tem Duncan was present via teleconference. Chairman Chris Fillios was excused.

- A. Call to Order:** Chair Pro Tem Leslie Duncan called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
- B. Changes to the Agenda (Action):** There were no changes to the agenda.
- C. Introductions**
- D. Swearing in of Participants in Attendance**

Deputy Clerk Tina Ginorio swore in the participants.

- E. Business**

Request for Cancellation – Penalties & Interest/AIN 113671/McDonald (Action)

Kootenai County Resident David McDonald explained that he had not been aware of the need to fill out paperwork again for the Veteran's Exemption or the Circuit Breaker Program. He stated that he would be sure to have the forms completed for next year.

Assessor Bela Kovacs reviewed the impact that HB 389 and HB 480 had on these programs and how it applied to Mr. McDonald's particular case.

Treasurer's Office Treasury Specialist IV DeeAnn Reed confirmed that Mr. McDonald did not have any penalties or interest on his account. She said his payments were fully up to date.

Chair Pro Tem Duncan recommended that Mr. McDonald wait until he had received his tax bill in November or December, then return to the BOCC and request a Hardship Hearing.

Assessor Kovacs and Ms. Reed said that they would remain after the meeting to explain to Mr. McDonald how to proceed.

No motion was required at this time.

Kootenai County Resident Karen Arnett entered the meeting at 9:05 a.m.

Request for Adjustments – Reflect Circuit Breaker/AIN 208021/Arnett (Action)

Ms. Reed explained that Ms. Arnett owned a mobile home, which counted as personal property. She stated that Ms. Arnett was currently on a tax payment plan and that certain information would need to be verified to determine whether the case was eligible for the Circuit Breaker Program.

Ms. Arnett agreed to see Ms. Reed after the meeting to go over the required information.

No motion was required at this time.

Request for Adjustments – Circuit Breaker/AIN 309864/MacWhirter (Action)

Kootenai County Resident J. Carolyn MacWhirter confirmed that she had encountered problems applying for the Circuit Breaker Program this year. She said she had received conflicting information and had the impression that the provisions of HB 389 may have disqualified her.

Chair Pro Tem Duncan noted that Ms. MacWhirter was up to date on her tax payments and suggested that she wait until she received her next bill in November or December, at which point she could apply for a Hardship Hearing with the BOCC. She said that BOCC Administrative Secretary Teri Johnston would explain how to apply for the hearing.

No motion was required at this time.

- F. Public Comment:** This section is reserved for citizens wishing to address the Board regarding a County related issue. Idaho Law prohibits Board action on items brought under this section except in an emergency circumstance. Comments related to future public hearings should be held for that public hearing. There were no public comments.

- G. Adjournment (Action):** Chair Pro Tem Duncan adjourned the meeting at 9:21 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

BOCC SIGNATURE

BY: _____
Tina Ginorio, Deputy Clerk