

Minutes of Meeting
Tax Exemption Appeal Hearing
June 22, 2020
2:15 p.m.

The Kootenai County Board of Commissioners: Chairman Chris Fillios, Commissioner Leslie Duncan and Commissioner Bill Brooks met to discuss the following agenda items. Also present was Deputy Clerk Tina Ginorio. Also present was Father David Gortner, Marc Wallace and Ann Rule, from St. Luke's Episcopal Church

A. Call to Order: Chairman Chris Fillios called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m.

B. Swearing in of Participants in Attendance (done by the Clerk)

Participants were sworn in by Deputy Clerk Tina Ginorio

C. Business (Action):

St. Luke's Episcopal Church AIN 116196 & 128083, Appeal #20-375

Father David Gortner of St. Luke's Episcopal Church explained the circumstances under which they had failed to submit their tax exempt status paperwork before the deadline. He stated that they did not receive any notices in December or January and, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, no one was in their office for most of March and April. He said that the government had extended a number of deadlines due to the pandemic and they thought this one would be also.

Chairman Fillios explained the process they should take to further pursue the appeal with the State Board of Tax Appeals or District Court. He also informed the appellants that they could come before the Board again after the tax bills were actually issued in December 2020 and request cancellation of taxes on the grounds of hardship.

Commissioner Leslie Duncan moved that the Board deny the tax exemption appeal 20-375, for AINs 116196 and 128083, for St. Luke's Episcopal Church. Commissioner Bill Brooks seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, Deputy Clerk Ginorio called the roll:

Commissioner Brooks: Aye

Commissioner Duncan: Aye

Chairman Fillios: Aye

The motion carried.

D. Public Comment (Discussion): 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 was no public comment.

E. Adjournment (Action): Chairman Fillios adjourned the meeting at 2:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

CHRIS FILLIOS, CHAIRMAN

BY: _____
Tina Ginorio, Deputy Clerk
