

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING

# **BIG GAME COMMERCIAL SERVICES BOARD**

CONDENSED MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 5, 2023

*These draft minutes were prepared by staff of the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing. They have not been reviewed or approved by the Board.*

By authority of AS 08.01.070(2) and in compliance with the provision of AS 44.62, Article 6, a scheduled meeting (teleconference) of the Big Game Commercial Services Board was held on September 5, 2023, at 333 Willoughby Avenue, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor, Juneau, AK.

<b>Date:</b>	September 5, 2023
<b>Time:</b>	9:00 a.m. (9:19 a.m.)
<b>Location:</b>	Online teleconference ran from 333 Willoughby Avenue, 9th Floor, Juneau, AK
<b>Board Members Present:</b>	Jason Bunch, Mike Flores, Martin Boniek, Larry Kunder, Pete Buist
<b>Board Members Absent:</b>	Aaron Bloomquist, Clay Nordlum, Dave Lorring
<b>Division/SOA Staff Present:</b>	Thomas Bay (Executive Administrator), Janet Brown (Occupational Licensing Examiner), Lee Strout (Investigator)
<b>Present from the Public:</b>	None

<b>1. Review Agenda</b>		
<b>Brief Discussion:</b>	There was no discussion to amend the agenda.	
<b>Motion:</b>	Move to accept the agenda as written (First: Buist; Second: Kunder).	
<b>Recorded Votes:</b>	Boniek - Yes	Kunder - Yes
	Buist - Yes	Flores - Yes
	Bunch - Yes	
<b>2. Ethics Review</b>		
<b>Brief Discussion:</b>	There were no ethical disclosures by any board members or staff.	
<b>3. Executive Session: Investigation Case No. 2021-001046 &amp; Probation Case No. 2022-000797</b>		
<b>Brief Discussion:</b>	The board moved into executive session for discussion of investigative matters.	
<b>Off Record: 9:26 a.m.</b>		

<b>Motion:</b>	I, Pete Buist, move that the Alaska State Big Game Commercial Services Board enter into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c), and Alaska Constitutional Right to Privacy Provisions, for the purpose of discussing Investigation Case No. 2021-001046 and Probation Case No. 2022-000797, both of which are subjects that tend to prejudice the reputation and character of any person, provided the person may request a public discussion; and matters which by law, municipal charter, or ordinance are required to be confidential. Board staff Thomas Bay, Janet Brown, and Lee Strout to remain during the session (First: Pete; Second: Flores).	
<b>Recorded Votes:</b>	Boniek - Yes	Kunder - Yes
	Buist - Yes	Flores - Yes
	Bunch - Yes	
<b>Brief Discussion:</b> <b>On Record: 10:19 a.m.</b>	No action was taken during executive session.	
<b>4. Summary/Motion from Executive Session</b>		
<b>Investigation Case No. 2021-001046 &amp; Probation Case No. 2022-000797</b>		
<b>Brief Discussion:</b>	The board considered an extension request, from a suspended licensee, to extend a February 2023 fee payment deadline to January 1, 2024, and reinstate his license.	
<b>Motion:</b>	Move to accept the extension request for extending a February 2023 fine payment deadline, for the payment of \$2,000, to January 1, 2024, and immediate reinstatement of the license for Investigation Case No. 2021-001046 and Probation Case No. 2022-000797 (First: Buist; Second: Flores).	
<b>Brief Discussion:</b>	Chairman Bunch said that he would be voting in favor of the request because the licensee is unable to pay his fines without being able to work as a registered guide-outfitter and hopes that the licensee maintains a lawful fashion moving forward. Mr. Buist added that he would be voting in favor of the request, however, he said that if the licensee does not follow up with all of his fines and probationary requirements, the board will move forward with disciplinary action, per the consent agreement. Mr. Kunder and Mr. Boniek agreed with Mr. Buist and said that no more leniencies should be given to the licensee.	
<b>Recorded Votes:</b>	Boniek - Yes	Kunder - Yes
	Buist - Yes	Flores - Yes
	Bunch - Yes	
<b>5. Schedule Spring 2024 Board Meeting</b>		
<b>Brief Discussion:</b>	After discussion, the board decided to hold their Spring 2024 Board Meeting at Pike's Waterfront Lodge, in Fairbanks, March 26 <sup>th</sup> – March 28 <sup>th</sup> .	
<b>Adjourn:</b>	10:32 a.m.	

Date Final Minutes Approved by the Board: <input type="checkbox"/> Meeting <input type="checkbox"/> OnBoard	
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